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URCA's 2019 Don Banks Scholarships Have Been Awarded as Scholarship Committee Awaits 2020 Applicants

Four recipients were awarded the annual URCA 2019 Don Banks Memorial Scholarship. The recipients were selected and recognized for their scholastic and community achievements and for their commitment to furthering their education.



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Eddie Marquez Becomes the Newly Appointed URCA Executive Vice President Replacing Retiring Ronald Johnston

Eddie Marquez, J.D. will serve as Executive Vice President for the Union Roofing Contractors Association. His duties include business transformation and innovation, leading efforts to build long term value, and responsibility for key relationships and partnerships with policy makers and regulators, business, trade, and community based organizations.

Mr. Marquez has more than 25 years of experience in corporate affairs, business development, government relations, and community affairs.

Mr. Marquez is past Chairman and board member of national, state,

regional, and local advisory bodies and has served as an appointed official in various capacities. He has served as Chairman and member of the Board of Directors for business organizations and chambers, non-profit and CBO boards, and continues to be actively involved in chambers and other community based organizations.

Mr. Marquez received a Bachelor's degree in American Literature from the University of California, Santa Cruz and received his Doctor of Jurisprudence from the Monterey College of Law.



2020 International Roofing Expo

URCA attended the NRCA's 133rd Annual Convention and International Roofing Expo, the biggest annual event in the roofing industry. The Expo was held in Dallas and offered training sessions, a trade expo, new products, and updates from industry leaders (see photo below). With topics ranging from legal and regulatory to legislative and retirement security, the annual conven-

tion offers educational, training, and networking sessions and the rollout of new products and services. The Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center was set up for 542 exhibitors in over a 170,000 square-foot of space featuring hundreds of the latest products and innovations the industry had to offer.

URCA attended the NRCA Affiliate

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URCA member Bligh Pacific's high rise Western Colloid roof restoration, and (above) Soprema modified job for Kaiser.



2020 International Roofing Expo in Dallas, TX



Eddie Marquez, J.D.
Executive Vice President

The Governor signed SB 586, (Roth)-College and Career Access Pathways Partnerships: SUPPORTED. This bill will require community college districts and school districts/charter schools with CCAP's to consult with workforce development boards to determine the extent to which the pathways are aligned with regional and statewide employment needs. This bill will require the governing board of each district to present and approve or disapprove the proposed agreement at an open public meeting of the board. The bill would extend the operation of the CCAP partnership provisions for 5 years.

The Governor also signed SB 197 (Beall)-Department of Transportation: Retention Proceeds: SUPPORTED. Existing law prohibits the Department of Transportation, until January 1, 2020, from withholding retention proceeds when making progress payments for work performed by a contractor. This bill will delete the repeal of this provision, thereby making the prohibition operative indefinitely.

AB 1303 and AB 48 (O'Connell)-School Facilities: Civic Center Act: Direct Costs: SUPPORTED. AB1303 was a bill to secure funding via the State budget for educational programs. Since the money for AB 1303 was procured via the budget, AB 1303 was withdrawn by the author. The Governor signed bill AB 48, an education finance bill entitled: School Facilities: Public Preschool, K-12, and College Health and Safety Bond Act of 2020. Approval of AB 48 will place a bond measure on the March 2020 ballot that will secure additional funding for "equipment, facilities, renovation, new construction, and schools modernization." AB 48 will put a \$15B state facilities bond on the ballot that will divvy up \$9B for K-12 and Preschools, and \$2B each for community colleges and the two state university systems. The bond measure, titled: Public Preschool, K-12, and College Health and Safety Bond Act of 2020 will be on the ballot in March of 2020. The Initiative was assigned the number 13, so voters will see the measure as Proposition 13. Keep in mind this has nothing to do with the Proposition 13 Tax Initiative that keeps being revisited.

AB 660 (Levine)-Building Energy Efficiency Standards: Solar Reflectance of Roofs: OPPOSED. This bill was withdrawn by the author. This bill would have impacted our industry and URCA submitted an opposition letter partnering with the Asphalt Roofing Manufacturers Association. This proposal had the potential to significantly increase costs

giving the California Energy Commission discretion to increase roof replacement and building standards to increase to .40 from .20 and expanding the range of climate zones for those alternations, translating to a one-hundred percent (100%) increase of reflectivity materials in a 12-year period and can create a burdensome mandate on manufacturers which in turn will be passed on to consumers of these products.

AB 1736 (Daly)-Notification Requirements: SUPPORTED. URCA supported the American Subcontractors Association of California's efforts to pass this bill and URCA helped secure an author for this bill, submitted letters of support, and helped lobby the bill. This bill would have required a local agency to create and maintain policies for notifying successful and unsuccessful bidders of an awarded contract within a reasonable timeframe and to include these policies in the local agency's request for proposals or bid solicitations. In a surprise move, the Governor vetoed this legislation.

SB 210 Heavy-Duty Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance Program—OPPOSE. Continuing with the tightening of environmental legislation, the Governor signed SB 210. Existing law requires owners/operators of heavy-duty diesel motor vehicles to perform regular inspections of their vehicles for excessive emissions of smoke and are subject to emission control equipment and alternative fuels requirements. This bill will implement a pilot program that develops and demonstrates technologies that show potential for readily bringing heavy-duty vehicles into an inspection and maintenance program, and would require, no later than 2 years after the completion of the pilot program, to develop and implement a Heavy-Duty Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance Program for non-gasoline heavy-duty onroad motor vehicles, as specified. The bill will create the Truck Emission Check (TEC) Fund, with all the moneys deposited in the fund to be available upon appropriation. The Governor signed this bill and new law will implement January 1, 2020.

Lastly, the South Coast Air Quality Management District placed Proposed Amended Rule 1403 on hold while the AQMD identifies how to proceed with that proposed regulation. AQMD has indicated they will revisit the proposed rule at a later time but for now it is on hold.



Charitable Contributions and Community Investment

URCA is committed to building strong, robust, and thriving communities and is supportive of the men and women who serve in the armed forces and protect our country. URCA recently contributed to two organizations that support the armed forces, veterans, and first responders. URCA proudly contributed \$2000 to the Gary Sinise Foundation and \$2000 to the Wounded Warriors foundation.



In the spring of 2019, not long after retiring from active duty, four-star general Vincent Brooks, a career military officer and a distinguished graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point, joined the board of directors of the Gary Sinise Foundation.



On June 20, 2008, in Afghanistan's Helmand Province, Anthony Villarreal's life changed in an instant when a roadside bomb blew up the truck he was driving, setting off a secondary explosion from his vehicle's ammunition. "More than 30 percent of my body surface was burned. My right hand had to be amputated and my left fingers as well. I had third-degree burns everywhere..." Anthony credits Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) for helping him rebuild the connection with his family. He and his wife, Jessica, continue to strengthen their marriage by participating in WWP family events.

URCA believes in doing well by doing good and these partnerships further represent our commitments to the communities in which we live and work.

Banks Scholarship Continued

Christian Rodriguez was awarded the \$3,000 Four Year Scholarship, renewable every year up to four years based on academic performance. Christian's father is a Manager at Anning Johnson and graduated from Torrance High School in 2019. Christian is currently attending Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, majoring in Electrical Engineering, and plans to pursue a career in engineering electrical automobiles.

The following three recipients were awarded the \$1500 one-year scholarship. Jordan Fatemi, Jennifer Aguilar, and Maria Teresa Jaramillo.

Jordan Fatemi graduated from Mira Costa High School in June of 2018 and is currently attending the University of California Berkeley, majoring in Political Economics. Jordan's father is Executive Vice President at Best Contracting Services.

Jennifer Aguilar graduated from Oxford Academy in Cypress, California in 2017 and is currently attending San Francisco State University. Jennifer is majoring in International Business and plans to graduate with her B.S. in May, 2021. Jennifer's father is employed as a roofer at Chapman Coast Roof.

Maria Teresa Jaramillo graduated from Arroyo High School in El Monte, California. She attended Pasadena City College for two years and is currently enrolled at California State University, Los Angeles and plans to graduate in June, 2021 with a degree in Communications.

Greg Banks, URCA Board Secretary, congratulated the scholarship recipients by saying, "On behalf of the scholarship committee and all of URCA, congratulations to all and best wishes with respect to your academic and career pursuits. Education is a core value and URCA is committed to supporting our members, their employees, and their families."

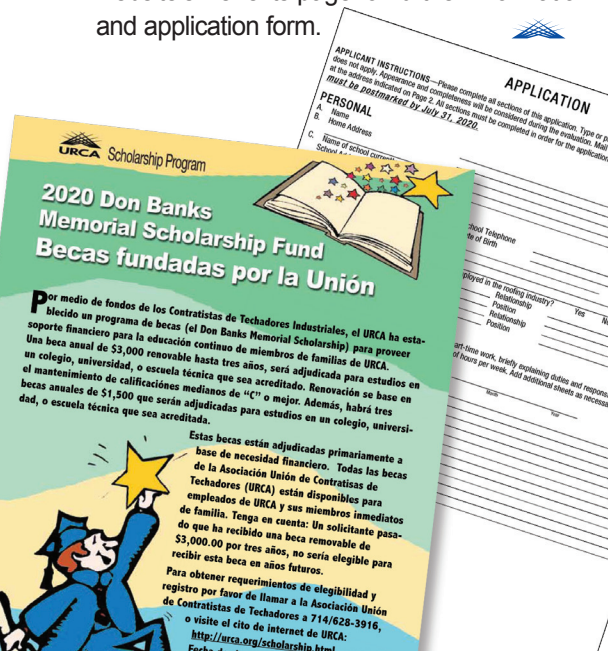
The Don Banks Memorial Scholarship is open to URCA member company employees, spouses, and children who pursue higher education. There are four annual scholarships and applicants are invited to apply for a 2020 scholarship.

URCA is honored and proud to share that as of 2019, URCA has awarded over

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Banks Scholarship Continued

\$335,000 in scholarship awards and contributed to the success of future scholars. Application period for 2020 will remain open until July 31, 2020. Please visit URCA.org website's Benefits page for further information and application form.



2020 Don Banks Memorial Scholarship Fund
Becas fundadas por la Unión

Por medio de fondos de los Contratistas de Techadores Industriales, el URCA ha establecido un programa de becas (el Don Banks Memorial Scholarship) para proveer soporte financiero para la educación continuo de miembros de familias de URCA. Una beca anual de \$3,000 renovable hasta tres años, será adjudicada para estudios en un colegio, universidad, o escuela técnica que sea acreditada. Renovación se base en el mantenimiento de calificaciones medianas de "C" o mejor. Además, habrá tres becas anuales de \$1,500 que serán adjudicadas para estudios en un colegio, universidad, o escuela técnica que sea acreditada.

Estas becas están adjudicadas primariamente a base de necesidad financiero. Todas las becas de la Asociación Unión de Contratistas de Techadores (URCA) están disponibles para empleados de URCA y sus miembros inmediatos de familia. Tenga en cuenta: Un solicitante pasado que ha recibido una beca removable de \$3,000.00 por tres años, no sería elegible para recibir esta beca en años futuros.

Para obtener requerimientos de elegibilidad y registro por favor de llamar a la Asociación Unión de Contratistas de Techadores a 714/628-3916, o visite el sito de internet de URCA: <http://urca.org/scholarship>

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Executives Meeting and liaised with colleagues and peers from all over the country in keeping up with Best Practices. In addition, the Union Contractor Council hosted the training session "Winning the Best Workforce," and heard from Chris Czarnick on the best methods for recruitment, training, and retention of human resources.

Incoming National Roofing Contractors Association Chairman Rod Petrick said he's looking forward to keeping the momentum going throughout the year and even at next year's IRE in Las Vegas.

"It's two shows in a row where we're setting records and I believe the industry is energized," he said. "I'm excited to hopefully get even more space and more exhibitors."



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