



## ***John Joseph Brandlin Memorial Scholarship Fund***

QueensCare, a public charity providing healthcare to low-income residents of Los Angeles County, is pleased to announce the establishment of the John Joseph Brandlin Memorial Scholarship Fund (“The Brandlin Scholarship Fund” or “the Fund”). The Brandlin Memorial Scholarship Fund honors the contributions of J. J. Brandlin throughout his 32 years of service to and management of QueensCare.

From 1932-1936, at the bottom of the worldwide financial Depression, Mr. Brandlin received a four-year scholarship from the University of Illinois to cover his tuition and fees in the approximate amount of \$50 a year. This award was the difference between going to college, or not, for Mr. Brandlin. After graduating from the University of Illinois, Mr. Brandlin attended the School of Law at the University of Southern California and thereafter practiced law in Los Angeles for 50 years.

QueensCare has created the Fund to help alleviate the shortage of healthcare practitioners serving low-income individuals and families. It assists in educating healthcare professionals who attend universities and colleges located in California, or those attending the University of Illinois, Champagne, Mr. Brandlin’s alma mater. The Fund also awards a limited number of student loan repayment awards to professionals serving in needy communities of Los Angeles. Employees of QueensCare and QueensCare Health Centers who meet the eligibility criteria receive priority for loan repayment awards. Those interested in loan repayment awards should email [scholarshipinfo@queenscare.org](mailto:scholarshipinfo@queenscare.org) for more information.

In addition to the Fund, QueensCare’s Charitable Division awards grants to non-profit healthcare organizations serving low-income LA communities; operates a parish nursing program, QueensCare Health & Faith Partnership, in congregations of all denominations, non-public schools, and faith-based social service agencies in its service area; operates mobile vision and dental programs for students in low-income Los Angeles Unified School District schools in service areas; provides mental health services to children under a contract with Children’s Hospital LA; and provides chaplaincy services to patients of CHA Hollywood Presbyterian Medical Center. Through its partnership with QueensCare Health Centers, QueensCare offers primary medical, dental, and vision care at five inner-city primary care health centers. Physicians, nurse practitioners, dentists, podiatrists, pharmacists, and other health practitioners staff the health centers. Finally, QueensCare contracts with several non-profit hospitals in Los Angeles to provide inpatient care to low-income Angelenos in need.

Eligible applicants for assistance from the John Joseph Brandlin Memorial Scholarship Fund must be United States citizens or legal residents who are enrolled at the University of Illinois – Champagne, or in any California State University, community college, private university, or college whose credits upon transfer are given equal standing to those of accredited California state institutions. Awards will be limited to students preparing for careers in healthcare, from

medical assistants to physicians, as specified by the Board of Directors of QueensCare from time to time, and who express a commitment to serve in low-income communities.

Eligibility is limited to students already enrolled in or admitted entering programs to become medical assistants, medical technicians, licensed vocational nurses, registered nurses, nurse practitioners, dentists, pharmacists, physician's assistants, primary care physicians, doctors of osteopathic medicine, obstetricians, or other postgraduate healthcare providers. Priority will be given to those who agree to practice their profession serving the low-income residents of Los Angeles County. QueensCare generally does not award scholarships to first-year students or sophomores attending four-year colleges and universities. However, those with a declared major in a health-related field, a strong record of volunteer work, or employment in that arena, may be considered.

Assistance will be limited to tuition, fees, and books. No sums awarded may be applied to costs of room and board or transportation. Individual scholarship and loan repayment awards shall not exceed \$10,000 per person or \$2,500 for those attending community colleges or professional schools. Awards shall be paid directly to the institution.

Community college and professional school students chosen to receive Brandlin Memorial Scholarship Fund assistance must maintain a 2.5 GPA; undergraduate students must maintain a 3.0, and graduate students must maintain a 3.25 GPA throughout the scholarship award year.

Limited loan repayment awards may be available to healthcare professionals repaying a student loan and employed at a healthcare facility serving the underserved in Los Angeles County. Awards are available up to \$10,000 a year for a maximum of four years.

The Board of Directors of QueensCare shall select all recipients without regard to age, gender, religion, national origin, race, sexual orientation, or receipt of public assistance.

For more information or to apply, please visit [www.QueensCare.org](http://www.QueensCare.org), call (323) 669-4301, or email at [scholarshipinfo@queenscare.org](mailto:scholarshipinfo@queenscare.org).