



CONTACT: Marketing  
(978) 975-4095

marketingdept@merrimackvalleyfcu.org

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
July 27, 2016

## MERRIMACK VALLEY CREDIT UNION AWARDS COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

### *Three local graduates each receive \$500 award*

LAWRENCE, MASS. — On Wednesday, July 27, Merrimack Valley Credit Union (MVCU) awarded \$1,500 in college scholarships to three local high school graduates. A reception was held at Merrimack Valley's corporate headquarters in Lawrence, and was attended by parents, MVCU CEO Peter Matthews, and the senior management team. Matthews addressed the students and distributed the scholarship awards.

The first annual scholarship was open to Merrimack Valley Credit Union members or their children. Each applicant submitted their high school transcript, a list of extracurricular activities, and a brief essay about a person or event that has been an inspiration to them. Three students were selected not only for their dedication to their education, but also their commitment to their schools and communities. The recipients were:

**Michaila Sheehan** is a graduate of Nashua High School South and will be attending Plymouth State University. She will be pursuing a degree in Art Education with a minor in Psychology.

**Ryan Hamilton** will be attending the University of Massachusetts in Lowell, where he will be studying Political Science. He is a graduate of Methuen High School.

**Emily Freeman** is pursuing a degree in Physical Therapy from Simmons College. She is a graduate of Haverhill High School.



*About Merrimack Valley Credit Union*

Merrimack Valley Credit Union is a \$575 million asset not-for-profit community credit union serving anyone who lives, works or worships in the Merrimack Valley region. MVCU offers a wide range of services to meet the financial needs of its members, and has branch locations in Haverhill, Lawrence, Methuen, and North Andover, Mass. and Plaistow, N.H. The sixth branch is scheduled to open this September in Seabrook, N.H. To learn more about Merrimack Valley Credit Union, please visit [www.mvcu.com](http://www.mvcu.com).

—end—