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What other financial aid have you applied for and received? Please list name, amount, and date applied.

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**Please attach a 250-word essay on "Why Community Involvement is Important."**

*I certify that I have truthfully completed all of the information required of this award. All information on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I give permission to LCCC to release information about my financial aid and academic record to the LCCC Foundation Office and the Scholarship Selection Committee. In addition, I understand that if I am selected as a recipient of this award, I may be asked to participate in recognition or appreciation activities of the LCCC Foundation to help ensure continued support of the LCCC Foundation Scholarship Program.*

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## ABOUT MANUEL MARÍN SERRANO

Manuel Serrano was born in Laredo, Texas where he was reared by his mother, Soledad Marín and father Lucio Serrano. His parents moved with Manuel and his older brother, Ubaldo to Lorain in 1924. Soledad established a small boarding house catering to the Mexican workers at the steel mill. She provided an example of hard work and perseverance, which Manuel never forgot. He graduated from Lorain High School in 1938.



Manuel joined the U.L. Navy, January 2, 1942 and was honorably discharged on November 10, 1945. He served on the U.S.S. Essex, CV 9 during World War II as an aviation radioman performing duties as an aircraft gunner in the South Pacific. He was awarded numerous citations and medals, among them, the Presidential Citation *"for extra-ordinary heroism in action against enemy forces, in air, ashore and afloat in the Pacific War Arena,"* the American Arena Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign (five Star) Medal, the U.S. Navy Service and Campaign Medals and the Ribbon Bar with bronze Star. His citations were bestowed for heroism *"as an air crewman of a bomber plane, and a member of a bombing squadron against enemy forces with unfaltering skill and for coolness under fire."*

The young Navy man returned to his hometown and went on to attend Bliss Electrical School in Washington, D.C. After graduation from Bliss, he returned to Lorain where he met the love of his life, Amparo Magdaleno. They were married in 1947 and would have celebrated 57 years of marriage on June 16, 2004. The young couple raised four children in Lorain while Manuel worked at the U.S. Steel Mill.

After his retirement from U.S. Steel, Manuel and Amparo decided to move to Southern California to be closer to their adult children. He never forgot his roots and enjoyed sharing fond memories of his hometown in Ohio with family and friends. He believed in hard work and a good education. **He believed schooling was an equalizer in the United States and constantly urged young people to further their education.**

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To apply for this scholarship, please complete the application form (including 250-essay) and return to the LCCC Financial Services Center, LC157 no later than **May 31, 2010**. The recipient will be selected by the Manuel Serrano Scholarship Review Committee based on information contained in this application.