

Beta Sigma Boulé Awards \$12,000 in Scholarships

On August 4, 2022, Beta Sigma Boulé, Springfield, Massachusetts, hosted a special Reception and Scholarship Awards Ceremony at the UMass Center at Springfield to celebrate the academic excellence of three young men. The ceremony was an intimate setting of Beta Sigma Boulé Archons and their families, the scholars and their families, and several distinguished community leaders. The event was sponsored by Baystate Health and Archons of Beta Sigma Boulé.

A special guest was Dr. Harry E. Dumay, president of the College of Our Lady of the Elms, who delivered words of wisdom and inspiration to the scholars as they go through their college experiences and prepare for the future. Dr. Dumay emphasized the importance of being socially responsible, staying focused, and reaching back through community service.

Beta Sigma awarded a \$4,000 scholarship to each young man who was selected as a 2022 Howard L. Edmonds Scholar. The scholarships are named in honor of the late Howard L. Edmonds who was a charter member of Beta Sigma and a prominent educator in the Springfield public school system. This year's scholars are as follows:

- Malachi Dowdell, a graduate of Springfield Central High School, is matriculating at Gordon College and studying theater and performing arts to become an actor.
- Phoenix Ferreira Ford graduated from Amherst Regional High School and is attending New York University, where he is majoring in music composition with a concentration on media and film.
- Carlson Rose, a graduate of Amherst Regional High School, is pursuing a civil engineering degree at Western New England University.

The 2022 scholars joined a circle of ten other Howard L. Edmonds Scholars who are also currently enrolled in college. Since the Howard L. Edmonds Scholars Program began in 2010, Beta Sigma has awarded nearly \$100,000 in scholarships.