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Save a Life and Pay for College – Be The Match Offers Education Grants for Donors

- What:** In an effort to increase the diverse number of college-aged registrants on their donor registry, Be The Match announced today that it will be offering educational grants to those who successfully complete the process of bone marrow donation.
- Who:** College-aged donors make the most viable candidates for bone marrow donation, and those who successfully match with a person in need and successfully complete the transplantation process will be offered privately funded educational grants ranging from \$2,500-\$10,000. Racial inequality exists in bone marrow donation, but is something a diverse registry can solve. Those representing an ethnic group of critical need will be offered scholarships of higher value.
- Where:** Be the Match works with colleges and universities across the nation to host thousands of registration drives every year. Visit www.bethematch.com/campusdrives to discover a local drive. Those interested in hosting a registration drive are urged to visit: www.bethematch.com/hostcampusdrive.
- When:** Educational grants will be offered to eligible recipients upon completion of the lifesaving transplant, and the program has been funded through 2020.
- Why:** “Be the Match sees this initiative as a great way to give back to those who give the gift of life. It also addresses two of our organization’s biggest challenges: a donor base that’s growing older and less diverse. College students provide those in desperate need with the best possible chance of life after illness.”

- C. Randall Mills, Be The Match CEO