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## Three students receive Partners in Peace scholarships

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OROVILLE -- Three local high school seniors were recently awarded scholarships by the Chico Peace and Justice Center.

Asia Slaton, Michelle McAlister and Daniela Rotbasean, all of Oroville, will each be granted \$250 Partners in Peace scholarships from the organization.

"We were looking for people who were involved in trying to benefit the community," said Tom Kuykendall, member of the newly-formed Oroville Peace Project, whose umbrella organization is the Chico Peace and Justice Center.

Slaton, an Oroville High senior, will use her scholarship award to attend UC Santa Barbara, where she will major in political science. She has served as a conflict manager for the past five years, helping to reduce violence on her campus. She has also been active in the community, participating as a member of the Rotary Interact Club, Habitat for Humanity, and Make a Difference Day.

A senior at Prospect High, McAlister was awarded a scholarship based on her participation in Respect Day. The event encourages a dialogue among students, showing the differences and similarities in each student's journey through high school. McAlister will attend Butte College in the fall.

Rotbasean, a senior at Las Plumas High, earned her scholarship based on her participation in the Safe School Ambassadors Club. The program trains students to confront instigators of rumors and

bullying. Rotbasean is also on the Las Plumas yearbook staff and has organized letter-writing campaigns to improve relations on the school campus. She will attend Biola University in the fall, where she will major in business.

Kuykendall said this was the first year the organization was able to present scholarships to Oroville seniors, and he hopes the Oroville Peace Project will continue the tradition in following years. Each recipient will officially be recognized for their achievement at their high school's award ceremony.

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