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Four Mississippi students were awarded T-Mobile scholarships

Academic Scholarships awarded to JAG students facing financial challenges, who have overcome significant obstacles to graduate high school

students. Scholarship recipi- ents - and all of our JAG ents were chosen based on their application, high school transcript, letters of reference, leadership experience, description of community service, and essay.

In Mississippi, the following students were awarded T-Mobile scholarships:

Deonte Adams - Lambert, MS; Dashia Harris – Sledge, MS; Latavius Johnson -Marks, MS; and Issac Jamal Randle Jr. – Lexington, MS.

"We're extremely thankful to T-Mobile for their generosity in an extraordi-

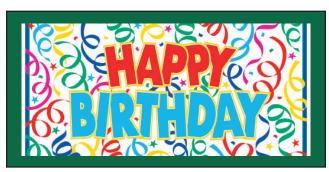
Jobs for America's Gradu- students have been hit the school year strong," said ates (JAG), a national non- hardest - and will likely be Ramona Willams, Executive profit that has served over impacted the longest – by the Director of Jobs for Missis-1.4 million youth who face COVID-19 crisis. For many significant academic, emo- JAG students and their famitional and environmental lies, the pandemic has led cause America's youth are challenges for four decades, to the loss of jobs and necis pleased to announce that essary income. T-Mobile's T-Mobile has provided aca- scholarships will help JAG demic scholarships to 27 students pursue secondary JAG students nationwide. education and meaningful These \$1,000 scholarship careers," said Ken Smith, recipients have displayed in- President of Jobs for Amercredible resilience and com- ica's Graduates. "As of May mitment to higher education 31, even during the worst of and will use the funds to cov- the pandemic, JAG had 40% er college expenses this fall. enrolled in post-secondary Since high school gradu- education - the same perations were cancelled, post- centage as last year. This at poned, or modified due to a time when the post-secthe COVID-19 pandemic, ondary system faced unprec-T-Mobile helped bring the edented challenges due to graduation tradition of the COVID-19. These funds are cap toss to life...virtually certainly going to good use."

through a TikTok cause mar- "The students selected to keting campaign. Partici- receive T-Mobile's scholpants posted TikTok videos arships have demonstrated with #TossYourCap, and hard work, dedication, te-T-Mobile made a \$5 dona- nacity, and positivity, overtion to JAG per video, up coming a variety of signifito \$200,000. The response cant challenges to succeed to this challenge was spec- in high school, get accepted tacular, allowing JAG to to college, and pursue posireach the \$200,000 goal and tive pathways – even during donation from T-Mobile. A a pandemic. The past few portion of these funds will months have undoubtedly help build virtual services been difficult, challenging, for JAG students in addition and chaotic, and we're proud to the scholarships for JAG of these scholarship recipi-

narily difficult year. JAG students - for finishing the sippi Graduates (JMG).

"The future is bright bepassionate, driven and striving for change, and this donation towards education is just a part of T-Mobile's overall investment and our commitment to empower the change makers of tomorrow," said Brigitta Witt, VP, Corporate Responsibility & Sustainability at T-Mobile. "Congratulations to each of these award recipients ... we can't wait to see all of their achievements!"

As businesses and schools social distancing guidelines Adams and Mr. Anderson. continue, JAG is using virtual tools and learning modules to stay connected with students, ensure their basic needs are being met, and make certain they're wellprepared to enter one of the worst job markets in our nation's history.



July 9 - Sandra Russell, Cyriah Crowder, Ashley Trehern, Coleman Hays, Cindy Blankenship, Reilly

July 10 - Stephen Woo, Jeffrey Maxwell, Jennifer Maxwell

July 11 - Carolyn Thomas, Adam Tate, Betty Land, Jimmie Dale Thomas, Paul Taylor, Charity Boyd, Allen L. Rogers, Courtney Garrett

July 12 - Colby Myles, Dorothy Gatson, Eddie L. Melton, Stephanie Diffey, Virginia Nations

July 13 - Matthew Breazeale, Alyssa Camille Watson, Carolyn Pepper, Shinna Anderson, Gilmer, Corey Dowdy

July 14 - Nancy Lowe, Charlie Luckett, Mayberry, Emma Holmes, Thomas, Harthcock, Hudson Haffey, Preston Carnathan, Randi Langford

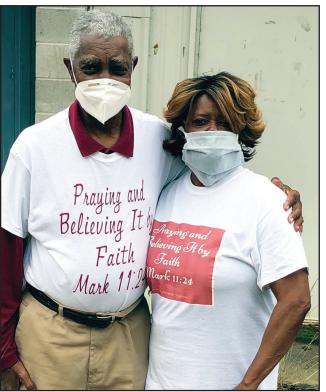
July 15 - Billy Wigley, Robert Streeter, Sue Ables, Kendrick Cobbins, Susan G. Word, Steve Davis, Charlie Mae Joiner, Britni Belk, Julie Fulgham, Jarius McChriston

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adapt in response to CO- On Friday, June 26, New Liberty Full Gospel Fellowship (The Gathering Place) in VID-19, JAG, their state- Pickens, blessed area citizens with its first community food giveaway held at Pickens based Affiliates, and dedicat- Municipal Building, MS Highway 51, Pickens. It was held as a drive-thru, first come, ed JAG Specialists continue first served basis. One box per car or two boxes per car if individuals were not of the to provide ongoing services same household, were made available. Ninety boxes were distributed after fellowship to 75,000 youth across the members "prayed and believed by FAITH for this opportunity to be a blessing," said country so they are prepared member Deloris Brown. "One scripture we love to use is Mark 11:24. It let's us know for the competitive job mar- that God always provides in crisis, hardship and a coronavirus pandemic COVID-19. ket following graduation. As Helpers included food suppliers, Pickens Mayor William Primer, fellowship members. schools remain closed and police staff and town workers. Pictured above are town workers Mario Haymon, Rev.



Pictured above from left: Deacon Theo and Apostle Deloris Brown-Thompson, members of New Liberty Full Gospel Fellowship (The Gathering Place)



PASTOR WILLIE BERRY



PICKENS MAYOR WILLIAM PRIMER



Pictured above: Pickens Alderman James White. Pictured at right (from left): helpers Robert Davis Jr. and Towaski Johnson, pose for a photo op.



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