About
The Gana-A’Yoo Foundation, a 501c(3), was founded by Gana-A’Yoo, Limited, an Alaska Native Corporation that represents nearly 1,200 Alaska Native shareholders primarily of Koyukon Athabascan descent. We believe that education is the key to the future, and the Foundation’s goal is to increase the scholarships available for shareholders of Gana-A’Yoo, Limited and their descendants while attending an accredited college/university, trade, technical or vocational school. The goal is to support all eligible students who seek higher education. We are proud to sponsor the next generation and encourage them to be successful and give back to their community.

Mission
To enrich and enhance educational opportunities for Tleeyegge Hut’aane’ for Gana-A’Yoo shareholders and descendants as we are adapting to our environment.

Vision
We continually invest in our people to promote healthy communities as they thrive and prosper.

Values
- We are respectful of our land, culture, languages, traditions, and one another
- We are trustworthy
- We are responsible
- We are ethical

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What we do
Since inception in 2001, Gana-A’Yoo Foundation has awarded over $700,000 in scholarships to Gana-A’Yoo, Limited shareholders and descendants.

Four types of scholarships available:

General scholarship: Awards are offered to all eligible applicants accepted to an accredited college or university full time.

Competitive scholarship: Awards are determined in four (4) categories and are intended for full-time students who are: either a freshman or a sophomore; either a junior or senior or those enrolled in a master’s level program, or PhD/MD/JD program. Awards are made to students attaining the highest scores as awarded by the Scholarship Committee. Students must be enrolled to an accredited college or university, must have a minimum GPA of 2.5, and must not have been on academic probation for at least one (1) year.

Short-term scholarship: Intended to help eligible students pay for the cost of a college accredited course or a program when attending school part-time. Students may apply year-round for funding. General and Competitive awarded students are eligible for the short-term scholarships if they wish to attend summer classes. Students may receive no more than two (2) awards per fiscal year, and the amounts will be determined by the Foundation Board.

Vocational scholarship: Assists eligible students in paying for the cost of a vocational program. Students may apply year-round for funding. Students may receive no more than one (1) award per year, and the amount will be determined by the Foundation Board.

Donations
Please join the number of donors helping to make the goals of Gana-A’Yoo, Limited shareholders and descendants a reality. The Board of Directors of the Foundation work hard to ensure the mission of enriching and enhancing the educational opportunities are there for students and potential students. Supporting the goals of the scholarship recipients helps the Foundation to promote healthy communities, a paramount aspect of its vision.

Won’t you join us?
Contributions can be made by check to the Gana-A’Yoo Foundation.

Mail donations to:
1001 E Benson Blvd., Suite 201, Anchorage AK 99508

Online donations to: squareup.com/store/gana-ayoo-limited or ganaayoo.com/about-gsc/foundation

As a 501c(3), donations are tax deductible. All donations benefit Gana-A’Yoo scholarship recipients.

Donors have the option to have their name or company information published in the quarterly shareholder newsletter and on the Gana-A’Yoo, Limited website.

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Logan Marshall
Galena, 2015 Scholarship recipient. “Most of my goals are academic, but they do apply to my personal ones as well… I know goals are important no matter how big or small, they give us that want, that need, to go on. They are simply put, important.”

Andrew W. Sommer II
Galena/Nulato, 2015 Vocational Scholarship recipient. “I will be able to continue to fulfill my goal of graduating and return to Alaska to pursue employment with my certificate in Instrumentation and Industrial Automation.”

Shyanne Saunders
Kaltag, 2019 General Scholarship recipient. “After graduation, I will fulfill my year-long internship at the Korean University. I am interested in translation work or working as a teaching assistant for English classes. I love to help people express themselves and to guide them in making explorations in life and language.”

Lillian DeWilde
Koyukuk, 2019 Competitive Scholarship recipient. “My grandma, Madeline Solomon, lived in Galena and devoted her life towards educating children. Earning my Type B Certification for Educational Leadership from the University of Alaska Anchorage will be an achievement two generations in the making. As a learner and teacher, my responsibility is to foster the bridge between our youngest and oldest generations, so that the former may continue down the path of excellence built by those who came before them. It is thanks to many Elder mentors that I can break the trail a little bit wider, so the path may be a little bit easier to tread.”