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The Essex Foundation 2021 Scholarship Award Benefits Local Youth *Barnes-Callender bequest funds undergraduate environmental studies*

Essex, CT – Nathan Hill, an Ivoryton resident, has been named as the 2021 recipient of The Elizabeth Barnes Callender and Mary Francis Barnes Memorial Scholarship by The Essex Foundation Board of Directors. The \$3000 scholarship award is presented to honor the bequest and memory of the late “Diz” Callender and her sister Mary, and is available each year to one local high school graduating senior or graduate, or an Essex resident who is pursuing studies related to land conservation and preservation at a two or four-year college, a technical school, or graduate school, or taking accredited courses in biology, botany, agronomy, ecology, horticulture, floriculture, forestry, landscape design, or environmental science. Mr. Hill graduated from Valley Regional in June and is enrolled in the University of Vermont’s Rubenstein School of Environment and Natural Resources for the fall semester.



“We are honored to be the stewards of the Barnes-Callender legacy by providing support to our local youth as they pursue a higher education,” commented Bruce Glowac, President of The Essex Foundation. “Recognizing Nate’s achievement and interest in protecting our natural world and waterways is in keeping with Diz and Mary’s shared passion for the community and environment.”

Supported by donations from the community, The Essex Foundation, Inc. is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to making a difference in the lives of Essex residents by providing funding for needs not met by other organizations or sources. More information can be found online at theessexfoundation.org or by emailing: contact@theessexfoundation.org.

Pictured Above: 2021 Valley Regional High School graduate Nathan Hill was presented with a \$3000 check by Jay Tonks, Vice President of The Essex Foundation, as this year’s recipient of The Elizabeth Barnes Callender and Mary Francis Barnes Annual Scholarship award. Photo credit: Kelly Tonks.