

## Single Parent Scholarship Fund of Benton County Recipient Receives Tyson Scholarship



*From Left: Judy Hammond, SPSFBC Board Chair, C.S. Carrington, SPSFBC Scholarship Recipient, Dayanera Ward, SPSFBC Scholarship Recipient, Richard Williams, Tyson Foods Plant Manager*

On January 23, 2016 Single Parent Scholarship Fund of Benton County recipients, C.S. Carrington and Dayanera Ward, received a Tyson Scholarship. The scholarship was presented to C.S. and Dayanera by Richard Williams on behalf of Tyson Foods. SPSFBC is thankful to Tyson Foods for providing the funding for this scholarship through Arkansas Single Parent Scholarship Fund (ASPSF). The donation will provide funding to C.S. and Dayanera for the spring 2016 semester. SPSFBC will provide 123 scholarships for the spring semester thanks in part to partners like Tyson Foods and ASPSF. Scholarship funds are used to pay direct school expenses, but may also cover living expenses, such as rent, utilities, transportation or childcare. Students also have access to counseling and academic/career guidance. Tyson Foods' investment in community organizations enables SPSFBC to provide assistance to single parents pursuing higher education.

For more information on how to support the Single Parent Scholarship Fund of Benton County and impact the lives of a single parent family visit [www.spsfbc.org](http://www.spsfbc.org) or contact us by email at [spsfbc@spsfbc.org](mailto:spsfbc@spsfbc.org) or by phone at 479/254-8550.

### **About Single Parent Scholarship Fund of Benton County**

Single Parent Scholarship Fund of Benton County's (SPSFBC) mission is to enable single parents to achieve self-sufficiency through post-secondary education. As the largest affiliate in the Arkansas Single Parent Scholarship Fund network, SPSFBC focuses on the whole student and the needs of his/her family. We provide an empowering and nurturing growth environment that helps a single parent attend school, while addressing issues which, if not addressed, could undermine academic success or cause early withdrawal. We do this through a variety of support programs, including: **Professional and Personal Counseling** that helps students process life events and increase their self-confidence and sense of worth; **Academic and Career Guidance** that assists students in identifying and efficiently pursuing an appropriate course of study leading to employment; **Life Skills Workshops** that allow students to adjust to the college environment and develop their critical thinking, communication, research and time management skills; **Tutoring** for students who need a little extra academic help along the way; **Mentoring** to help students build the confidence they need to change their lives. We also connect our students to members of the Alumni Council, who have walked the path before them and completed their degrees.