

# **EDUCATION**

## **News & Notes**

### **Investing In Our Future**



(NAPSA)—According to U.S. Census Bureau statistics, people with a bachelor's degree earn an average of over 70 percent more than those with only a high school diploma. Over a lifetime, the gap in earning potential between a high school diploma and a college degree is more than \$1 million.

That's why, this year, the Alliance for Affordable Services is providing \$105,000 to award scholarships to 66 dependents of Alliance Members.

The Alliance Scholarship Program was established to take some of the burden off the shoulders of Alliance Members trying to send their dependents to college. As tuition costs continue to climb, college can become more and more unaffordable, especially for small-business owners and their families. The program is open to dependents of Alliance Members ages 16-28.

The Alliance for Affordable Services is a national, not-for-profit organization dedicated to helping members live better and save more. The Alliance uses the power of the group to negotiate significant savings on a variety of business, lifestyle and health care benefits for more than 150,000 members.

For more information about the Alliance for Affordable Services, visit [www.AffordableServices.org](http://www.AffordableServices.org) or call Alliance Member Services at 1-800-733-2242.