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Scholarships Summary

for reporting period **June 1 – October 31, 2007**

and

from **November 1, 2005 – October 31, 2007**

Awarded Scholarships and Tuition Assistance

Available Scholarship and Tuition Assistance Programs

The 21st Century Librarian Scholarships associated with this grant are now in place and awards have been made. Four 21st Century Librarian scholarships are available. The Nebraska Library Commission also provides tuition assistance for undergraduate education.

Master's Scholarship Programs (state funds)

- Master of Library and/or Information Science (MLS) Scholarship
- Master of Education School Library Media (MEd) Scholarship

Undergraduate Scholarship Programs (federal funds)

- Bachelor's Degree in Library Studies (BLS) Scholarship
- Library Technical Assistant (LTA) Scholarship

Undergraduate Tuition Assistance (state funds)

- Library Technical Assistance Tuition Reimbursement

These scholarships fulfill the requirements of the grant awarded to the Nebraska Library Commission by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) to recruit and educate the next generation of librarians. Scholarship information and applications are available on the Now hiring @ your library® Website scholarship page <<http://www.nlc.state.ne.us/NowHiring/Scholarships.asp>> hosted by Nebraska Library Commission (NLC). Scholarship information and applications are also available at the EducationQuest Website <<http://www.educationquest.org/>> in a free, online scholarship search called ScholarshipQuest. EducationQuest is a foundation devoted to Nebraska Careers and Education and ScholarshipQuest matches Nebraska students with scholarships.

Summary of Scholarships Awarded June 1, 2007 – October 31, 2007

From June 1, 2007 through October 31, 2007, forty scholarships have been applied for and awarded to people pursuing education in library studies for a total of \$86,000. Below are summaries of the scholarships in outline form and in the table and charts which follow.

Master's Degree Scholarship Programs

During the 2nd half of grant year 3, June 1, 2007 through October 31, 2007, \$75,000 was awarded for Master's degree programs.

21st Century Librarian Master of Library and/or Information Science Scholarship

The Nebraska Library Commission approved this scholarship program for master's students in September 2005, and the first awards were made after the November 1, 2005

deadline in year 2 of the grant. This scholarship program was scheduled for implementation in years 1, 2, and 3 of the grant. The Library Commission awarded \$1,000 and \$2,500 scholarships in year 2 and will award scholarships of up to \$2,500 in year 3 for tuition, course-related materials, and fees associated with the graduate program. These scholarships are funded with state funds as a match for the IMLS Librarians for the 21st Century Grant.

- Funded with State funds as a match for the grant.
 - To date, all applicants have been awarded scholarships.
 - Eight scholarships awarded during grant year 3 in the period from June 1 through October 31, 2007
 - \$20,000 awarded and accepted
- July 1, 2007 Scholarships Awarded
 - Three scholarships awarded
 - Students are enrolled in the UN-O – University of Missouri program
- October 15, 2007 Scholarships Awarded
 - Five scholarships awarded
 - Students are enrolled in the UN-O – University of Missouri program

21st Century Librarian Master of Education School Library Media Scholarship

The Nebraska Library Commission approved this scholarship program for master's students in January 2006). These scholarships are funded with state funds as a match for the IMLS Librarians for the 21st Century Grant. The Nebraska Library Commission established this scholarship to provide financial support to eligible Nebraskans seeking a master's degree in Education, with a concentration in School Library Media. The Library Commission has awarded scholarships of up to \$2,500 in years 2 and 3 for tuition, course-related materials, and fees associated with the graduate program.

- Funded with State funds as a match for the grant
 - To date, all applicants have been awarded scholarships
 - Twenty-two scholarships awarded during grant year 3 from June 1 through October 31, 2007
 - \$55,000 awarded and accepted
- July 1, 2007
 - Eight scholarships awarded
 - Eight students are attending University of Nebraska at Omaha
- October 15, 2007
 - Fourteen scholarships awarded
 - Ten students are attending University of Nebraska at Omaha
 - Three student is attending University of Nebraska-Kearney
 - One student is Chadron State College

Undergraduate Scholarship Programs

During the second part of grant year 3, June 1 – October 31, 2007, \$11,000 in scholarships was awarded for undergraduate degree programs.

21st Century Librarian Bachelor's Degree Scholarship

The Nebraska Library Commission approved this scholarship program (years 2 and 3) for undergraduate students in January 2006. These scholarships are funded directly from the IMLS Librarians for the 21st Century Grant. The Nebraska Library Commission will award up to fifty \$1,000 scholarships each year. The Nebraska Library Commission established this scholarship to provide financial support to eligible Nebraskans seeking a Bachelor's degree in Library Science, in General Studies with a major in Library Science, or in Education in School Library Media from an accredited university.

- Funded with federal funds from the grant.
 - To date, all applicants have been awarded scholarships
 - Eleven scholarships awarded during grant year 3 from July 1 through October 31, 2007
 - \$11,000 awarded and accepted
- July 1, 2007
 - Three \$1,000 scholarships awarded
 - Three students are enrolled at University of Nebraska at Omaha
- October 15, 2007
 - Two scholarships awarded
 - Both students are enrolled at University of Nebraska at Omaha

21st Century Librarian Library Technical Assistant (LTA) Scholarship

The Nebraska Library Commission approved this scholarship program (years 2 and 3) for undergraduate students January 2006. These scholarships are funded directly from the IMLS Librarians for the 21st Century Grant. The Nebraska Library Commission established this scholarship to provide financial support to eligible Nebraskans for coursework at Nebraska Community Colleges leading to a Library Technical Assistant associate degree. The Nebraska Library Commission can award up to fifty LTA or undergraduate scholarships of up to \$1,000 each year. Scholarships may be used for tuition, course-related materials, and fees associated with the courses. In addition, recipients can use scholarship funds for other, non-educational expenses incurred to attend courses, such as travel expenses, childcare, etc.

- Funded with federal funds from the grant.
 - To date, all applicants have been awarded scholarships
 - Six scholarships awarded during grant year 3 in the period from June 1 through October 31, 2007
 - \$6,000 awarded and accepted
- July 1, 2007
 - Three scholarships awarded
 - All students are attending the Nebraska Community Colleges
- October 15, 2007
 - Three scholarships awarded
 - Two student attend he Nebraska Community CollegesOne student is enrolled an online program at Bluegrass Community and Technical College in Lexington, Kentucky

Grant Year 3: Number and Dollar Amount of Scholarships Awarded by Scholarship Type

Scholarships Awarded during reporting period, June 1, 2007 to October 31, 2007

Of the forty-one scholarships awarded between June 1 and October 31, 2007, thirty have been for master's degree programs (eight for MLS degrees, and twenty-two for MEd degrees) and eleven have been for undergraduate degree programs (six for bachelors degree, four for the LTA programs in Nebraska Community Colleges, and one for Bluegrass Community and Technical College in Lexington, Kentucky). The number and dollar amount of scholarships awarded for the period of this report in grant year 3 are summarized in figures 1 and 2. The total number of scholarships awarded in grant year 3 are summarized in table 1 and figures 3 and 4.

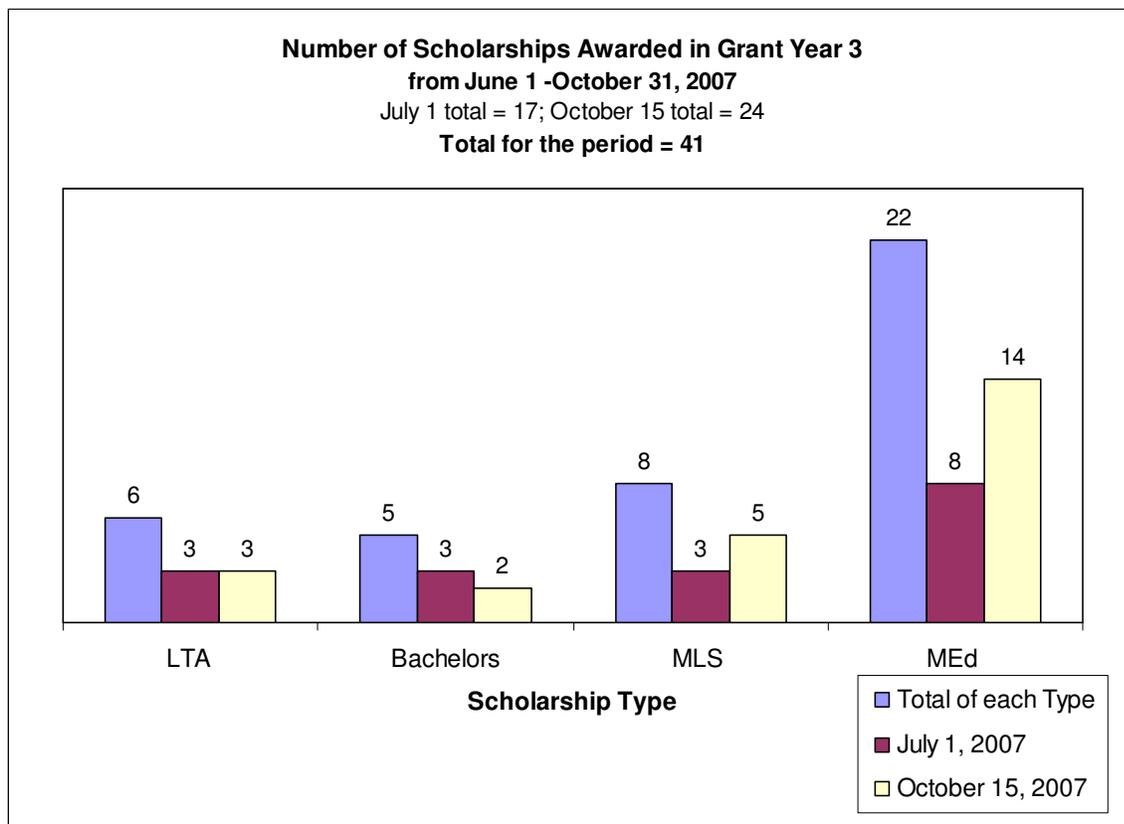


Figure 1. Number of scholarships awarded by scholarship type, in Grant Year 3, June 1 through October 31, 2007.

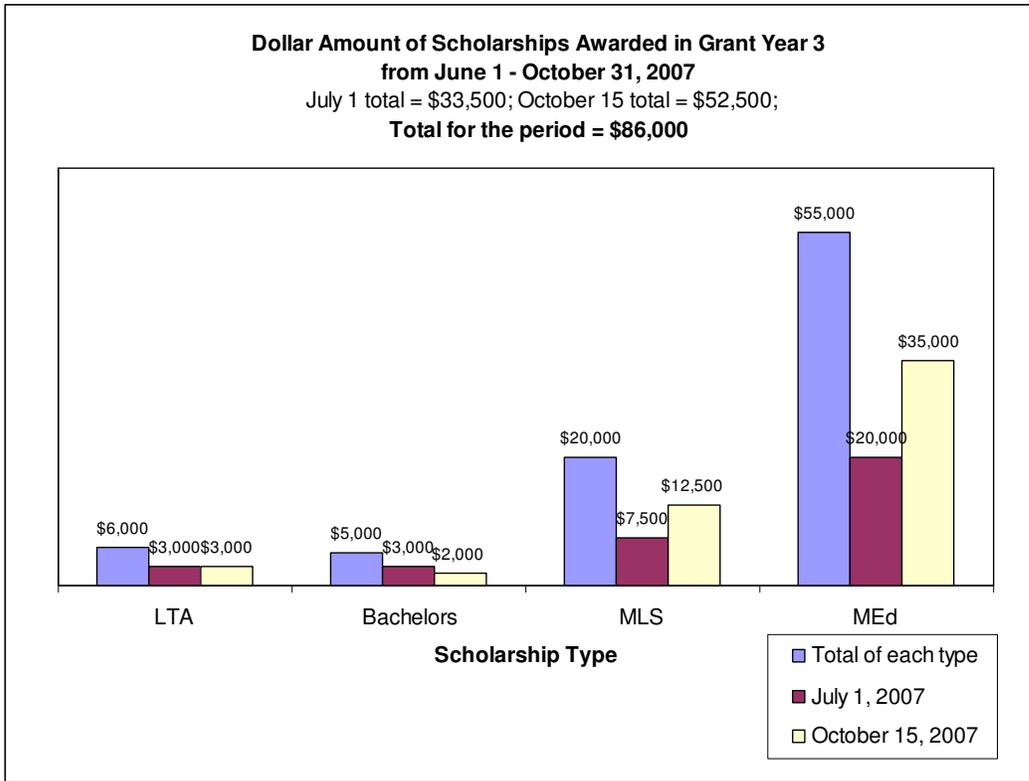


Figure 2. Dollar amount of scholarships awarded by scholarship type, in Grant Year 3 from June 1 through October 31, 2007.

Scholarships Awarded during Grant Year 3, November 1, 2006 to October 31, 2007

Table 1. 21st Century Librarian Scholarship Awards,
All of Grant Year 3, December 1, 2006 through October 31, 2007

	Dec. 6, 2006		Feb. 1, 2007		March 15, 2007		July 1, 2007		Oct. 15, 2007		TOTALS	
	#	\$\$\$	#	\$\$\$	#	\$\$\$	#	\$\$\$	#	\$\$\$	#	\$\$\$
LTA	4	\$4,000	2	\$2,000	1	\$1,000	3	\$3,000	3	\$3,000	13	\$13,000
BLS	3	\$3,000	1	\$1,000	2	\$2,000	3	\$3,000	2	\$2,000	11	\$11,000
MLS	11	\$27,500	5	\$12,500	10	\$25,000	3	\$7,500	5	\$12,500	34	\$85,000
MEd	7	\$17,500	0	\$0	2	\$5,000	8	\$20,000	14	\$35,000	31	\$77,500
TOTAL	26	\$52,000	8	\$15,500	15	\$33,000	17	\$33,500	24	\$52,500	90	\$186,500

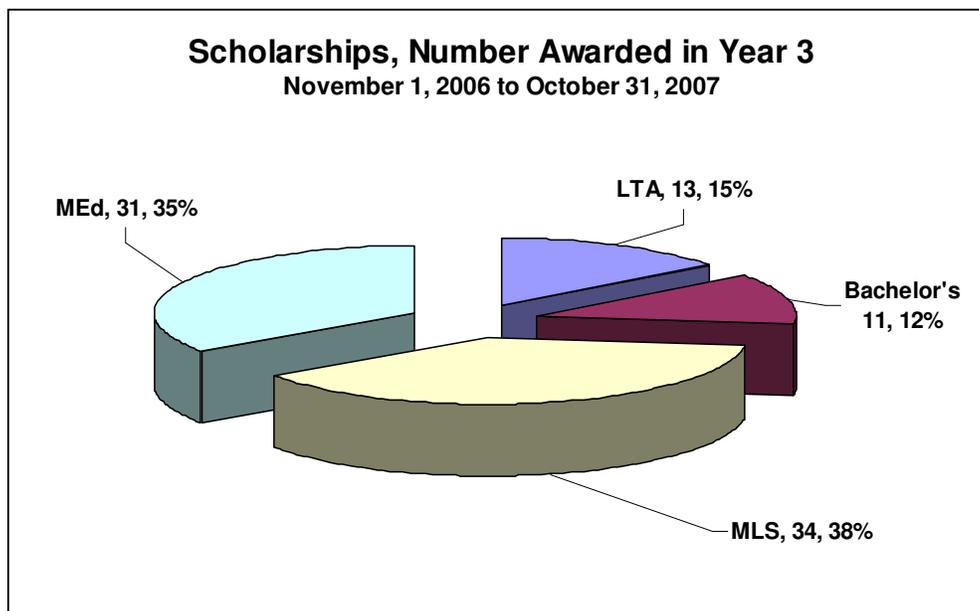


Figure 3. Number of scholarships awarded in grant year 3.

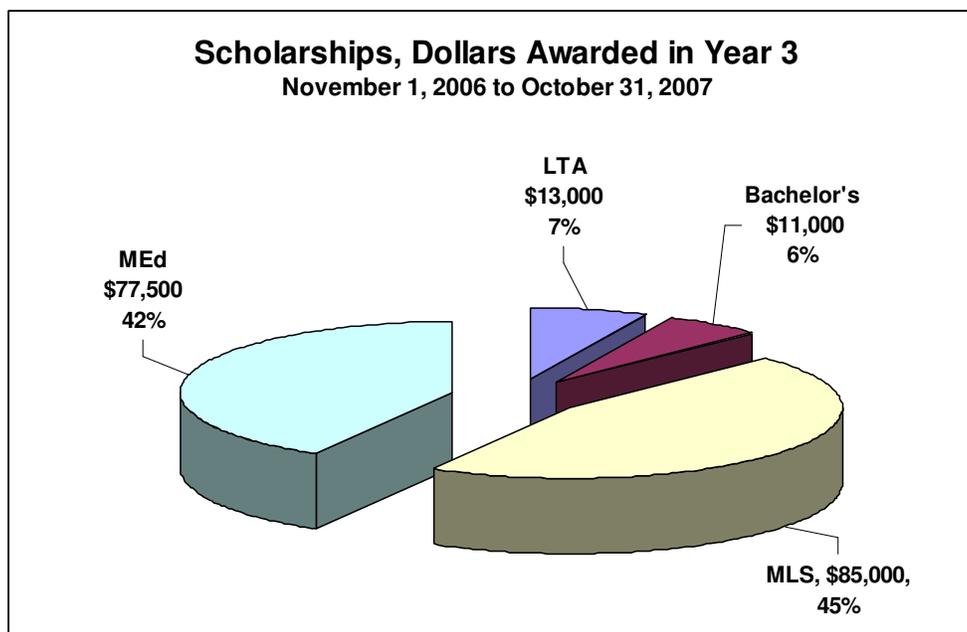


Figure 4. Dollar amount of scholarships awarded in grant year 3.

Scholarship Awarded in Grant Years 2 and 3, November 1, 2005 to October 31, 2007

Fifteen percent of scholarship dollars awarded has been for undergraduate education and eighty-five percent of scholarship dollars awarded has been for graduate education (total of \$274,500, Figure 3). Seventy percent of the number of scholarships awarded for undergraduate education and thirty percent have been have been for graduate education

(total of 135 scholarships). The number of scholarships and the number of first and second scholarships awarded are summarized in tables 2-5 and in Figures 6-9.

Table 2. Total Scholarships Awarded
November 1, 2005 through October 31, 2007

	#	\$\$\$
LTA	27	\$27,000
BLS	14	\$14,000
MLS	57	\$141,000
MEd	36	\$90,000
TOTAL	134	\$272,000

Table 3. 21st Century Librarian Scholarship Awards,
Grant Year 2, November 1, 2005 – October 31, 2006

	Nov 1, 2005		February 1, 2006		March 15, 2006		July 1, 2006		TOTALS	
	#	\$\$\$	#	\$\$\$	#	\$\$\$	#	\$\$\$	#	\$\$\$
LTA			2	\$2,000	11	\$11,000	1	\$1,000	14	\$14,000
BLS					2	\$2,000	1	\$1,000	3	\$3,000
MLS	10	\$23,500			4	\$10,000	9	\$22,500	23	\$56,000
MEd					3	\$7,500	2	\$5,000	5	12,500
TOTAL	10	\$23,500	2	\$2,000	20	\$30,500	13	\$29,500	45	\$85,500

Table 4. 21st Century Librarian Scholarship Awards,
Grant Year 3, November 1, 2006 through October 31, 2007

	Dec. 6, 2006		Feb. 1, 2007		March 15, 2007		July 1, 2007		Oct. 15, 2007		TOTALS	
	#	\$\$\$	#	\$\$\$	#	\$\$\$	#	\$\$\$	#	\$\$\$	#	\$\$\$
LTA	4	\$4,000	2	\$2,000	1	\$1,000	3	\$3,000	3	\$3,000	13	\$13,000
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MLS	11	\$27,500	5	\$12,500	10	\$25,000	3	\$7,500	5	\$12,500	34	\$85,000
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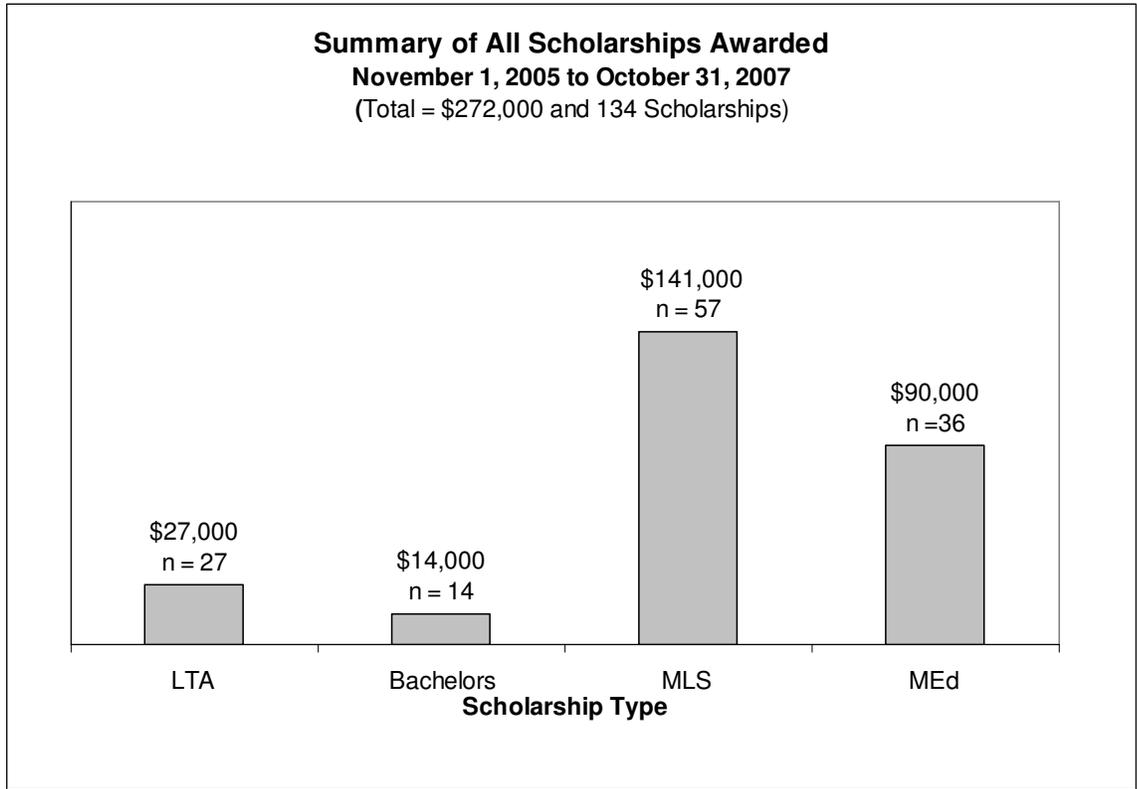


Figure 6. Dollar amount and number of scholarships awarded since the beginning of the grant.

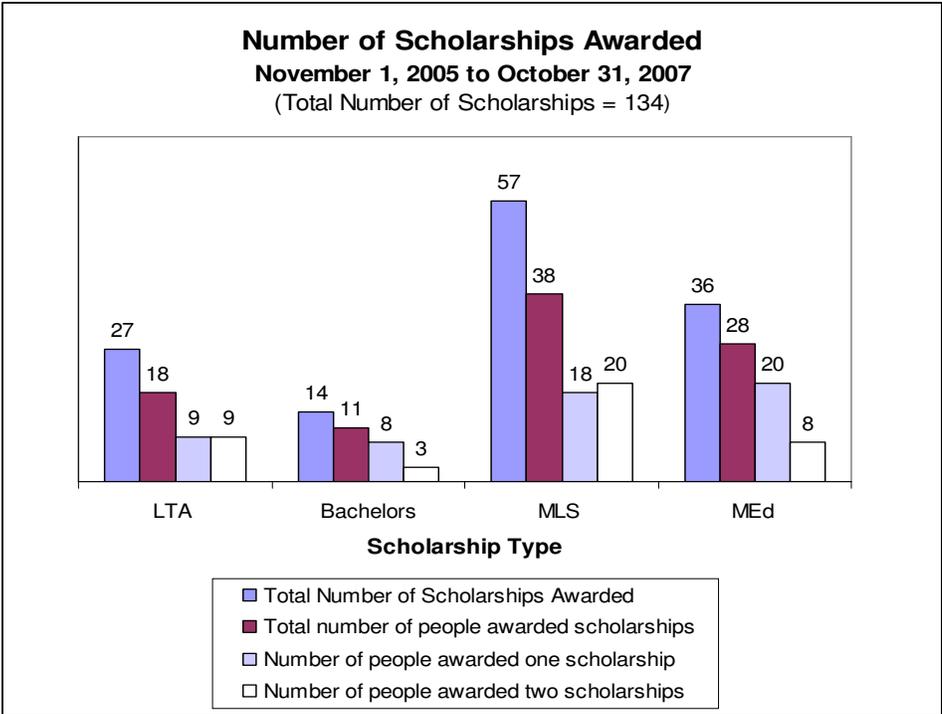


Figure 7. Number of scholarships awarded since the beginning of the grant and number of first and second scholarships awarded.

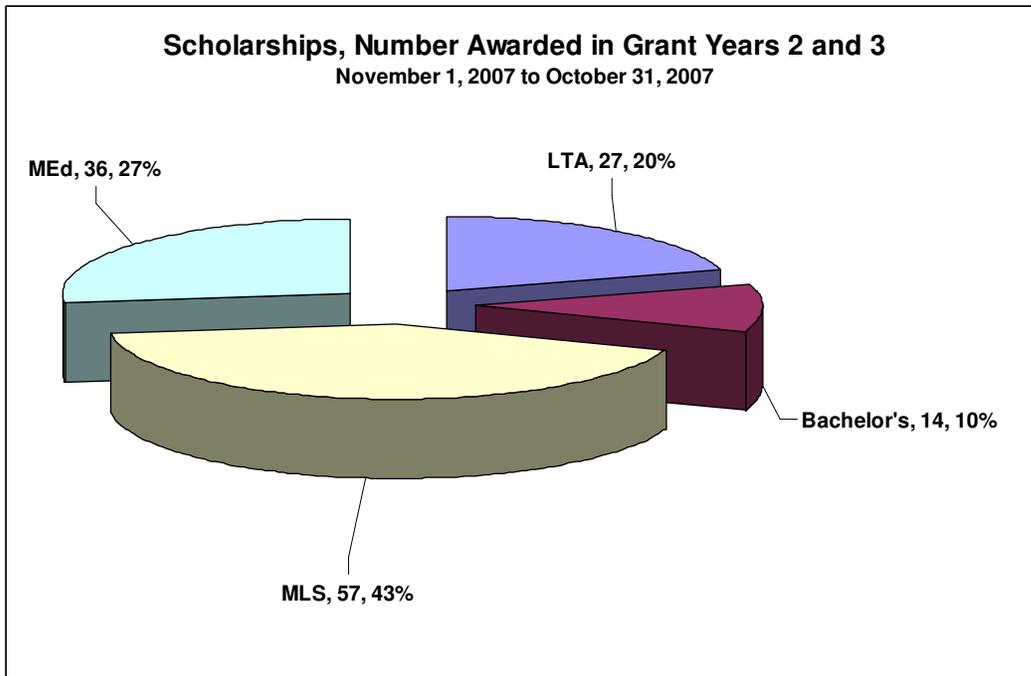


Figure 8. Number of scholarships awarded in grant years 2 and 3, November 1, 2005 to October 31, 2007

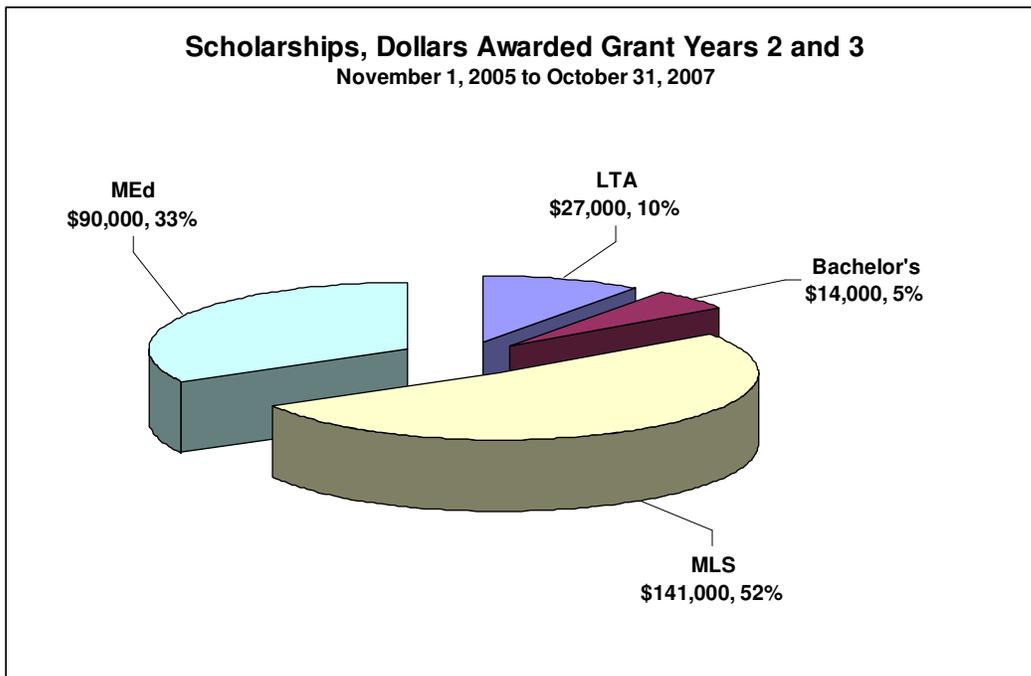


Figure 9. Dollar amount of scholarships awarded in grant years 2 and 3, November 1, 2005 to October 31, 2007