California Association of School Psychologists

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CASP Announces 2025 Sandra Goff Award, Foundation Grants, and Other Honors

Sacramento, CA – November 6, 2025 – The California Association of School Psychologists (CASP) is thrilled to announce several prominent awards and grants at this year's Awards Luncheon at their annual convention. This includes honoring Thomas J. Sopp as the *Sandra Goff Memorial Award* recipient, which recognizes an exemplary school psychologist who serves the profession not just in California, but nationally and beyond. Additionally, CASP presented a special *Advocate of the Year* award to Assemblymember Sharon Quirk-Silva as an outstanding supporter of the school psychology profession.

CASP recognized multiple achievements at the lunch:

- Thomas J. Sopp, *Sandra Goff Memorial Award*
- Assemblymember Sharon Quirk-Silva, *Advocate of the Year*
- Stephanie Murray, *Nadine Lambert Outstanding School Psychologist Award*
- May Nguyen, *Nadine Lambert Outstanding School Psychologist Award*
- Dr. Adam Lockwood, Dr. Joshua Castleberry, *Contemporary School Psychology*, Article of the Year
- Lakhvir Kaur, Shemiyah Holland, *CSPF Mini-Grant*
- Katie Stritzel, *CASP Foundation Mini-Grant*
- Gabriel Ryan, *Cultural and Linguistic Diversity (CLD) Scholarship*

"I am deeply honored to receive this award. Thank you to the CASP selection committee for this incredible recognition. I wouldn't be receiving this award without all my supportive colleagues who have been generous with their time and expertise," said awardee Thomas J. Sopp.

In addition to the awards and grants, the California School Psychology Foundation (CSPF) also raised over $2,000 at their annual silent auction. CSPF is a charitable organization, committed to supporting the practice of school psychology through research, scholarships, and recognition of exemplary practices and programs.

"The Foundation is honored to recognize the incredible achievements of our grant and scholarship awardees. Our goal is always to empower the next generation of difference-makers and these funds will do that. Additionally, we are thankful for the donations and silent auction winners, they help support future Foundation gifts", remarked the CSPF Chair, Ellen Balsys.

The California Association of School Psychologists is a nearly 2,000-member, 75-year-old statewide professional association that represents school psychologists and licensed educational psychologists (LEPs) in California. The CASP mission is to foster the well-being of the children, schools, and communities it serves through legislative advocacy, professional development, communications, publications, ethics guidelines, and direct services to its members.

The California School Psychology Foundation (CSPF) is a private, nonprofit, charitable organization associated with, but independent of, the California Association of School Psychologists. The mission of the Foundation is to enhance and support the practice of school psychology through research, scholarships, and recognition of exemplary practices and programs.

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