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## **Matt Rowe Elected Board Chair for the Scholarship Foundation of Santa Barbara**

**Santa Barbara, CA** — Matt Rowe, a former attorney turned successful financial advisor and investment management analyst, has been elected chair of the Board of Directors for the Scholarship Foundation of Santa Barbara. His two-year term will begin July 1.

A native of Melbourne, Australia, Mr. Rowe earned bachelor's and law degrees at that city's Monash University before working briefly as an attorney in his hometown. After immigrating to New York City, he transitioned to a career in wealth management. A resident of Santa Barbara since 2008, Mr. Rowe joined the local office of financial services firm Raymond James in 2020. He joined the Scholarship Foundation Board in 2016, and currently also serves as a board member for the Santa Barbara Family YMCA (where he was board chair), the Santa Barbara Foundation, and Sansum Diabetes Research Institute. In 2019, Mr. Rowe was awarded the Golden Triangle of Distinguished Service Award by the Channel Islands YMCA.

“It is a tremendous honor to serve as board chair for the Scholarship Foundation of Santa Barbara, which has provided invaluable support for young people and families in our community for almost six decades,” Mr. Rowe said. “I am keenly interested in expanding educational opportunities for local students, including increasing access to college. It is incredibly rewarding to work with an organization that shares my passion. I am pleased to accept this leadership role.”

Mr. Rowe will succeed Christie Glanville, who will remain on the Scholarship Foundation Board. Mrs. Glanville also will join the Scholarship Foundation's Past Presidents Council.

“Since joining the Scholarship Foundation Board five years ago, Matt has consistently shown himself to be a perceptive and eager participant in deliberations relating to the foundation’s mission and its operations. This organization is certain to benefit from his extensive work on our board and his obvious depth of knowledge,” said Scholarship Foundation President and CEO Barbara Robertson.

The Scholarship Foundation of Santa Barbara is the nation’s largest community-based provider of college scholarships, having cumulatively awarded more than \$135 million to over 55,000 county students since its founding in 1962. A nonprofit organization, the Scholarship Foundation also provides free financial aid advising services. For additional information, visit [www.sbscholarship.org](http://www.sbscholarship.org).

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