



SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS: 2012 GENERAL APPLICATION FORM

For new applicants entering first year of college and reapplicants currently in college
(see exceptions below)

The Connecticut Community Foundation administers numerous scholarship funds, primarily for undergraduate studies at an accredited college or university. **The applicant must determine whether he or she qualifies for one or more of the scholarship funds (listed on Form C).**

Scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis with consideration given to academic record, extracurricular activities, work experience, financial need, recommendation letter, and an essay. The Scholarship Committees of the Connecticut Community Foundation select the recipients for final approval by the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut Community Foundation.

Completed applications must be sent to: The Connecticut Community Foundation, 43 Field Street, Waterbury, CT 06702 and **must be postmarked by March 15, 2012.**

Announcement of final awards will be made in late June. Scholarship awards are primarily in the \$1,000 to \$2,000 range and are payable to the school the student plans to attend.

For additional scholarship program information, contact the Connecticut Community Foundation by phone (203-753-1315), by fax (203-756-3054), or by e-mail to: jcarey@conncf.org. This form, as well as additional information on local scholarship opportunities, is available on the Foundation's general website at www.conncf.org.

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY – REQUIREMENTS THAT APPLY TO ALL FUNDS

- Applicants must be a United States citizen and a resident of the Foundation's 21 town service area: Beacon Falls, Bethlehem, Bridgewater, Cheshire, Goshen, Litchfield, Middlebury, Morris, Naugatuck, New Milford, Oxford, Prospect, Roxbury, Southbury, Thomaston, Warren, Washington, Waterbury, Watertown, Wolcott and Woodbury. [Exceptions - Southworth Fund applicants can be residents of Brookfield. Applicants to the Niedzial, HD Segur, or Smaller Manufacturers Association Scholarship funds must be residents of Connecticut. Applicants to the Sergeant Felix M. DelGreco, Jr. Scholarship may reside anywhere in the U.S.]
- **New (first time) applicants must be high school students or adults entering their freshman year** at an accredited college or university in the U.S. [Exceptions - Current college students may be first-time applicants to: Stein Fund for Architecture, Roxbury Volunteer Fire Department Memorial Scholarship Fund, or the Sergeant Felix M. DelGreco, Jr. Scholarship Fund.]
- Students who have received a CT Community Foundation scholarship (**Reapplicants**) *may* reapply for up to four years of undergraduate support, provided that the particular fund supports multiyear students (most do).
- The Foundation will consider additional years of scholarship support **only** for those students enrolled in programs that specifically require more than four years of study to complete the undergraduate degree, or in the case of education majors, achieve a teaching certificate. However, scholarship awards for the additional years of study, beyond the fourth year, will be at a reduced level.
- **Requirements:**
 - **New Applicants:** First-time applicants must have a **minimum cumulative GPA of B-**.
 - **Reapplicants:** To be considered as a reapplicant for continued support, a student must have a cumulative GPA of **C+ or higher** (as determined by their educational institution's grading scale) and must continue to meet the criteria for one or more of the scholarship funds. If a student does not have a C+ or higher GPA at the time of reapplication, the individual may reapply to the Foundation in the subsequent scholarship year providing the GPA has been raised to the required level.
 - **Students are ranked on:** Extra-Curricular/Work Experience, Recommendation Letter, Essay, Financial Need, and Academic Motivation (participation in challenging courses, improvement, etc).
- Students who are relatives of Connecticut Community Foundation Board of Trustees, Scholarship Committees, or staff members are ineligible to apply for scholarship support.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

IMPORTANT: Read carefully and follow all application instructions. Please note there are separate instructions for new (first time) scholarship applicants and reapplicants (students who have previously been awarded scholarship funds from the Connecticut Community Foundation). Students are solely responsible for determining if all necessary documents have been received by the Foundation and that applicant packets are complete. **THE FOUNDATION WILL NOT, UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE, PROCESS INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS.**

DEADLINE FOR ALL APPLICATIONS IS MARCH 15, 2012

INSTRUCTIONS FOR NEW APPLICANTS

A complete scholarship application packet must include:

1) **Completed Form A: Student Information**

2) **Completed Form B: Financial Information**

NOTE: The **FAFSA** (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is now a critical part of the Foundation's process for determining financial need. See Form B for details.

3) **Completed Form C: Scholarship Fund Listing**

Review scholarship fund criteria listed and mark those funds for which you are eligible.

4) **Extracurricular Activities/Work Experience**

A listing of all work experience and school, community and individual activities in which you have participated (sports, arts, clubs, volunteer projects, etc.)

5) **Essay:** Maximum length is front & back of one 8 1/2" x 11" sheet (11 pt. font). Complete an essay on one of these topics:

- How has your education and/or community shaped you?
- In what ways will a higher education allow you to better yourself?
- Why did you select the school to which you have applied?
- What career goals would you like to achieve?
- What do you perceive to be the greatest problem facing the world?

6) **Recommendation Letter:** One recommendation from a teacher, employer, clergy, guidance counselor, or other community member who can best speak to your character.

7) **Current Transcript:** High school transcripts must include GPA and class rank information. SAT information on high school transcripts is preferred but optional. If it is the policy of the school to mail transcripts directly to the Foundation, you are responsible for notifying appropriate school personnel that all transcripts must be postmarked by the deadline of March 15, 2012. No exceptions will be made because of winter or spring school vacations/ breaks.

NUMBER OF REQUIRED COPIES: All new (first time) applicants must send: **1 original set** of all materials listed above (with original forms and signatures) **AND 4 additional sets** (copies) of all materials (**total of 5 sets**).

NOTE: When **applying** to any funds on the bottom section of Form C, you must submit an **additional 5 sets** of your application for each fund, as these funds are reviewed by separate committees.

Materials in each set must be in the order (1-7) listed above & stapled. Applications received with inadequate number of copies or materials collated in the wrong order will NOT be processed.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR REAPPLICANTS

Reapplicants are students who have previously been awarded a Connecticut Community Foundation scholarship.

A complete scholarship reapplication packet must include all 3 items listed below:

1) **Completed Form A: Student Information.**

Note: Reapplicants do not need to submit Form B: Financial Information / FAFSA.

2) **Form C: Scholarship Fund Listing.** Review the scholarship fund criteria listed on this form and mark those funds for which you are eligible. *Please note that in order to reapply you must continue to meet the criteria for one or more of the scholarship funds.*

3) **Current Transcript:** College transcripts must include a current G.P.A. Unofficial copies of college transcripts are sufficient, however the student's name must be authentically printed on them. Students must have a C+ average to reapply. If it is the policy of the school to mail transcripts directly to the Foundation, you are responsible for notifying appropriate school personnel that all transcripts must be postmarked by the March 15, 2012 deadline. There will be no exceptions made due to winter or spring school vacations/breaks.

NUMBER OF REQUIRED COPIES: All reapplicants must send only **1 original set** of all materials listed above with original signatures.

NOTE: When **reapplying** to any funds on the bottom section of Form C, you must submit an **additional 5 sets** of your application for each fund, as these funds are reviewed by separate committees.

In addition, when **reapplying** to any funds on the bottom section of Form C, you must submit a **status update letter** for each fund being reapplied to (in addition to the requirements above). This is an opportunity to provide an update on your academic progress, extracurricular activities, other scholarships you have received, etc.

2012 Connecticut Community Foundation Scholarship Application
Form A: Student Information

STUDENT NAME: _____ Female Male

APPLICANT STATUS (Check one): New Applicant Reapplicant (*previous recipient*)

HOME ADDRESS (*permanent residence*)

Street City State Zip Code

HOME TELEPHONE: (____) _____ CELL PHONE: (____) _____ EMAIL: _____

APPLICANT'S DATE OF BIRTH: ____ / ____ / ____ STUDENT ID # (Reapplicants Only): _____

HIGH SCHOOL: _____ Date of High School Graduation: _____
Month/Year

High School Name City State Zip Code

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY FOR WHICH AID IS REQUESTED:

(If undecided regarding your college selection, indicate most likely choice. Please notify the Foundation when this decision has been finalized)

College/University Name Student Financial Services Telephone / Contact Person

Student Financial Services Street Address (where payments are sent) City State Zip Code

I AM CURRENTLY A : high school senior **Est. Date of College Graduation:** _____
 college freshman (Yr 1) Month/Year
 college sophomore (Yr 2)
 college junior (Yr 3)
 college senior (Yr 4)
 college senior (Yr 5/6) Note: current seniors are only allowed to reapply if they are completing a required 5 or 6 yr. undergraduate program/teaching certificate.

FOR THE UPCOMING ACADEMIC YEAR:

I will be enrolled at college/university: half time or more full time

I will live: on campus off campus home with parents

MAJOR FIELD OF STUDY/CAREER OBJECTIVE: _____

AUTHORIZATION:

All information in this application has been provided as completely and accurately as possible. I certify that I am not, to my knowledge, related to members of the Connecticut Community Foundation Board of Trustees, Scholarship Committees, or staff. To comply with the provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, permission is hereby given to school officials to release the secondary school record and other requested information to the Connecticut Community Foundation for consideration with this scholarship application.

Student Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

(Ink Signature of Student and Parent required)

Form C: Scholarship Fund Listing

Scholarship funds at the CT Community Foundation are established by donors with different requirements. If you meet **every single** criteria under a given fund, then check off that fund name to show that you have met all the requirements. *Please also refer to General Eligibility criteria on Page One.*

REGIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The majority of the Foundation's scholarships are awarded through this fund

- I am a resident of the Foundation's 21-town service area
- I am/will be attending an accredited college/university in the U.S.
- Doris & Joel Abramson Fund**
 - I am/will be specializing in teaching learning disabled children *[address in essay]*
- Anita C. Behan Fund**
 - I am a resident or native of Waterbury (from _____ to _____)
 - I am/will be majoring in a health related field (specify major: _____)
- Jack & Edith Brownstein Family Fund**
 - I am/will be attending the University of Pennsylvania
- Richard J. Corey Memorial Fund**
 - I am of Lebanese descent (indicate name/relationship of ancestor(s): _____)
- Darrell S. Daniels Fund**
 - I am/will be attending a college/university in southeastern United States
- Marc Decker Memorial Scholarship Fund**
 - I have participated in formal tennis activities in the 21-town service area (school team, racquet club program, league, etc.): _____
- Marie J. Della Bella Scholarship Fund**
 - I am a female student pursuing a career in the field of law
- Louis, Mary, Rose & Dr. William Finkelstein Scholarship Awards**
 - I am a graduate of a Waterbury public high school (Crosby, Wilby, Kennedy, or Waterbury Arts Magnet School) and reside in Waterbury.
 - I have maintained an 85 or better average in my school *(as indicated by transcript)*
- Raymond Gamby Fund In Memory of Amelia Gamby**
 - I have maintained an "A" (90) average or better in school
 - I am of Italian/French descent (indicate name/relationship of ancestor(s): _____)
- Charles & Dorothy M. Greenblatt Fund**
 - I am a resident of Waterbury for at least five years (_____ to _____)
 - I am/will be attending a non-sectarian college or university
- Richard & Frances Guerrera Fund**
 - I am a student with documented learning disabilities
[Written confirmation of disabilities by appropriate school official required with application]
- Jack & Vivian Hanson Scholarship Fund**
 - I am a resident of: Waterbury, Watertown, Bethlehem, Woodbury, Southbury, Middlebury, Naugatuck, Prospect, Wolcott, or Thomaston
- Heritage Village Scholarship Fund** *(One-time award, for entering Freshmen only)*
 - I am a senior at Pomperaug High School residing in Southbury
 - I am ranked in the top third of my high school class
- John L. and Jeanne C. Hughes Scholarship Fund**
 - I will be pursuing a Bachelor of Arts Degree (Liberal Arts): _____
- Alan J. Hurdle Memorial Scholarship Fund**
 - I am a graduate of Kennedy High School
- Donald & Ruth Agnes Kaplan Memorial Fund**
 - I am a female resident of Waterbury, Watertown, Naugatuck, Cheshire, Prospect or Woodbury for the past four years (_____ to _____) and will be attending college/university in New England, NY state, or Israel.
 - I am/will be majoring in health care related field (specify major: _____)
- Charles F. Mitchell Fund**
 - I am a male resident of Waterbury for 5 years or more (_____ to _____)
- George M. & Mary Oliver Fund**
 - I am a resident of Prospect

- Dr. John & Brigitte Palesty Scholarship Fund**
 - I am a student with financial need living in the Greater Waterbury area.
- Joseph A. & Kyungsook K. Petrahai Fund**
 - I am/will be attending a public college in Connecticut.
- Roxbury Volunteer Fire Department Memorial Scholarship Fund**
 - I am a student residing in Roxbury, pursuing a post-secondary education at a two or four year junior college, college, university, technical school, or other institution offering post-graduate study/training *(current students are eligible)*
 - Preference is given to current/former members (or junior corps members) of Roxbury Volunteer Fire Dept (or direct descendants). If applicable, please specify: _____
 - Reapplicants must submit all required items each year in order to reapply
- Heather Lo-Ann Rybinski Memorial Scholarship Fund**
 - I am a resident of Beacon Falls (**NOTE: One-time award, for entering Freshmen only**)
- H. D. Segur Fund** *(One-time award, for entering Freshmen only)*
 - I have been recommended by an H.D. Segur client *[Recommendation letter from Segur client required with application. Client may be a relative of applicant.]*
 - Merit-based: Form B / FAFSA information not required for this fund.
- Sirop Family Fund**
 - I am/will be majoring in nursing
- Smaller Manufacturers Association Scholarship Fund**
 - I am a child or step-child of SMA member company employee.
- Southbury Lions Club**
 - I am a resident of Southbury graduating from high school, with financial need
 - I have demonstrated significant community service *[Applicant must provide specific examples in required application essay and through extracurricular activities]*
- Barbara M. Southworth Fund**
 - I am a resident of Bridgewater or Brookfield
 - I am majoring in elementary education *[Applicant must demonstrate commitment to education and teaching in required application essay and through extracurricular activities]*
- Sylvia M. & Isidor I. Sprecker Fund**
 - I am a graduate of Wilby High School ranked in top 5% of my HS class
 - I am very committed to racial tolerance and understanding *[Applicant must provide specific examples in required application essay and through extracurricular activities]*
- Joseph Stein Fund**
 - I am a grad/undergrad student studying or planning to study architecture
- Thompson Memorial Scholarship Fund**
 - I am pursuing a degree in music, preferably in piano or voice (specify: _____)
- Friends of Joe Valente, Jr. Fund**
 - I am a male graduate of Kaynor Vocational Technical School
 - I have a demonstrated love of outdoors and mechanical aptitude *[address in essay]*
- Warren Park & Recreation Scholarship**
 - I am a resident of Warren
- Waterbury Jaycees Fund**
 - I am a Waterbury resident planning to attend a public CT college/university
 - I have demonstrated exemplary community service *[please detail in application/essay]*
- Waterbury Women's Club Fund**
 - I am/will be majoring in nursing
- Francis M. White Fund**
 - I am a Waterbury resident and will be attending the University of Connecticut
- N. Patricia Yarborough Fund**
 - I am/will be a college student studying music, art, dance, or theatre
- Evelyn & Bernard J. Zucker Scholarship Fund**
 - I am/will be a college student majoring in the humanities

NOTE: For the funds below you must submit an additional five (5) sets of your completed application & materials for each fund.

See Page 2 for details on reapplying to the funds below.

- Sergeant Felix M. DelGreco, Jr. Scholarship Fund (\$4,000 award)**
 - I am a son/daughter of a current member of the CT Army National Guard
Parent name: _____ Unit of Assignment: _____
 - I am/will be attending an accredited college degree or technical program
 - Additional reference letter required, which must specifically address your character traits
 - Merit-based: Form B / FAFSA information not required for this fund
- In Search of Excellence Scholarship** *(one time award to graduating seniors)*
 - I am an African American student residing in Greater Waterbury
 - I have shown academic excellence *(preference given to students who are ranked among the top ten in their graduating class in public, parochial or independent high schools)*
- Matthew Kenney Memorial Scholarship Fund**
 - I am a student graduating from Woodland High School in Beacon Falls
 - I have participated in either Prospect Little League or Beacon Falls / Prospect Pop Warner Football (Please specify: _____)
- Naomi Mildred Nicoll Fund**
 - I'm a daughter of a single, working mother who cannot otherwise afford college
 - Graduate of Litchfield/Wamogo HS; live in Litchfield/Warren/Morris/Goshen
- Carl J. Niedzial Memorial Fund**
 - I am a member of the State Police Credit Union or immediate family
 - I will be attending a four year college or university
- Persbacher Family Fund (\$2,500 award. Total of \$10,000 over 4 years)**
 - I've been a resident of Bridgewater, CT for at least six years: (_____ to _____)
 - I've been involved in significant volunteer community service in Bridgewater
 - Must provide two letters from non-school individuals attesting to your community service
 - Essay must specifically address community service
- Warren Congregational Church Scholarship Fund**
 - I am a member of the Warren Congr. Church, active in church youth ministry

