

# Scholarship Funds

Investing in our future

For more information about arranging tax deductible scholarship funds donations with the Lexington Community Foundation, contact our office at:

**(308) 324-6704**

We will answer your questions and guide you through the process.



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Lexington Community Foundation

“Thank you so much for the scholarship to help me with the financial constraints of medical school. It truly means so much to receive such generous support from my home community. I only hope that I will one day be in a position to similarly support young students in pursuit of their educational goals.”

- Natalie Hart, UNMC  
Norall Scholarship Recipient

“ I would like to thank you for selecting me as the recipient of the Pat Ruppe Scholarship. This award will truly make a difference as I complete my final year at San Diego State University. I would like to express my sincere appreciation for your continued commitment to the community of Lexington. Your generosity will make an immediate difference in my life as well as the lives of the other recipients of this award in years to come.”

- Pat Clark, San Diego State  
Pat Ruppe Scholarship Recipient



## Establish an individualized scholarship fund.

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If you're passionate about an area of study or group of students and cannot find a targeted fund that is a good fit, you may consider an individualized scholarship fund. Individualized scholarship funds allow you to identify the area of focus, whether you want to support a particular field of study or a specific type of student.

### How it works

- ◆ Complete a new fund agreement.
- ◆ Make an initial contribution in cash, marketable securities or real estate. Minimum of \$5,000 is required to start a new fund.
- ◆ With expert guidance from the Lexington Community Foundation, determine the scholarship eligibility and selection criteria.
- ◆ The Lexington Community Foundation's scholarship committee oversees all applications and selects the recipients based upon the criteria you have created.
- ◆ The scholarship committee also oversees every scholarship grant to ensure gifts are used the way they are intended.

### How you benefit

- ◆ You have the flexibility to support the specific group of students or area of study that's most important to you.
- ◆ The Foundation's staff handles all due diligence and administrative work for you.
- ◆ You have the option to endow your fund, allowing your gift to live on in perpetuity.
- ◆ You'll receive periodic updates about the scholarship recipient's academic progress and may have the opportunity to meet the recipient of your gift.

## Supporting scholarships

through the Lexington Community Foundation can be a rewarding and convenient way to assist students who match your philanthropic interests, such as local students in need, students from a specific background or those pursuing a certain field of study.



"(My) sincere thanks for awarding me with the Norall Scholarship . . . Receiving support from the Foundation and this community not only helps financially but instills a motivation for excellence and achievement. The support makes it easy to return to this great city!"

**Tom Alexander,**  
Norall Scholarship Recipient

# Contribute to a Lexington Community Foundation Scholarship Fund . . .

When you contribute to a scholarship fund at the Lexington Community Foundation, your philanthropic dollars go further because they are leveraged by the contributions of others. You benefit from the Lexington Community Foundation's knowledge of effective strategies and of our community, and can give with the confidence that your gift will make a real difference.

## The Lexington Community Foundation Scholarship Funds

Giving to established scholarship programs is the most flexible way to give. The Lexington Community Foundation administers several scholarship funds that are open to all types of students - from high school seniors to current college students, returning students and "non-traditional" students.

Your gift will be directed to a qualified recipient who demonstrates the greatest financial need, outstanding community involvement and academic promise. Programs exist for recipients to use scholarships at a community college, four-year college or university, trade or vocational school.

Lexington Community Foundation Scholarship Committee reviews eligibility and selection criteria, so you know your gift will always be put to its best use.

## Targeted scholarship funds

Whether it's the education of young women, English Language Learners (ELLs), the education of minority students or students of education, nursing or engineering, the Lexington Community Foundation has many scholarship funds geared toward specific groups or fields of study.

By contributing to a targeted scholarship fund, you can match your personal interests and maximize your impact by combining your gift with those of other donors. You can make a selection from the list of targeted scholarships at [www.lexfoundation.org](http://www.lexfoundation.org) or obtain the list by calling the Foundation at (308) 324-6704.



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## How it works

- ◆ Select either the Lexington Community Foundation Scholarship Fund or one of the targeted scholarship funds.
- ◆ Make a direct contribution of cash or marketable securities or recommend a grant from your existing donor advised fund or supporting organization.
- ◆ The Foundation's Scholarship Committee selects the scholarship recipients. Scholarships are awarded annually in the spring, most as part of the LHS Senior Awards Night, which is open to all scholarship donors as well as recipients and their families.

"Thank you for the scholarship . . . The scholarship I was awarded will be very beneficial to me in helping relieve some of the financial concerns I have (about paying for college)."

Luis Gamero  
UNK Freshman

## How you benefit:

- ◆ You will be named in the notification letter to recipients and recognized in the Foundation's annual publications.
- ◆ Your gift achieves greater impact since it is combined with the gifts of other donors and the Foundation's assets.
- ◆ You'll receive periodic updates about the scholarship recipient's academic progress and may have the opportunity to meet the recipient of your gift.

