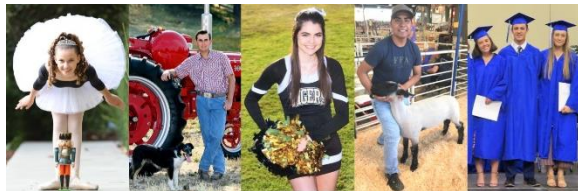




## SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### Scholarship Funds

The Community Foundation can assist individuals, families, and businesses with a simple yet powerful way to provide scholarships to help young people achieve their dream of higher education. Scholarships have a tremendous impact on the students who receive them by helping them seize an educational opportunity that can set them on a path to independence and success. Without a scholarship, many students would be unable to achieve their dream of college. The Community Foundation annually awards more than \$250,000 in scholarships.



Scholarship funds at the Community Foundation offer interested donors an opportunity to shape a scholarship to meet their own goals and provide support to students that reflect their own values, including:

- to memorialize a loved one, honor a special person's accomplishments, or celebrate a lifetime of achievement
- to provide financial assistance to high achieving students without the financial resources necessary to go to college

- to support students from a donor's alma mater or hometown
- to encourage pursuit in a field of study and to recognize certain characteristics, such as leadership and volunteerism efforts, of young people within a community

Scholarships are usually awarded in the spring. Scholarship fund creators may participate in the selection of students.



### Award Criteria

The Community Foundation's staff are adept at designing scholarship criteria that meet a donor's goals. Current scholarships benefit students with interests ranging from science, technology, nursing, teaching, and viticulture to students who restore old tractors and those desiring to study ballet. Scholarships are frequently designed to help fund students based on area of interest, school, geographical origin, leadership potential, merit, financial need, special needs, academic achievement and/or other criteria of the donor's choosing.

### Award Amount

The donor may work with the Community Foundation's staff to determine the appropriate size of the scholarship based on anticipated fund value, fund perpetuity, or desired number of scholarships to be offered in any given year, or to examine ways to assist students with gap costs for education.

### Name the Fund

A fund agreement defines the name, purpose, criteria, selection process, and amount of the scholarship.

For more information please reach out to our Foundation staff at the phone number and website below. We look forward to working with you.