

# SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS AT THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

## BOB V. BENGTSON GOOD CITIZENSHIP AWARD & SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship at Truman Elementary School*

Eligibility requirements:

Student at Truman Elementary School, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Established in 1994 to recognize an outstanding student enrolled at Truman School by Mr. Bengtson, a former teacher there. This scholarship encourages Truman students in development of the qualities and virtues exemplary of the best of American citizenship.

## BESONG FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship at Washington High School*

Established in 2013 by Phyllis and Jean Paul Besong to assist deserving students graduating from Washington High School.

Eligibility requirements:

Graduating from Washington High School, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Award Amount:

\$500

Criteria:

Academic achievement (GPA over 3.0)  
Preference given to minority applicants  
Preference given to student athletes

## STEPHEN BONFIG MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship at Wahlert High School*

Established in 2007 by TrueNorth Companies in memory of Stephen Bonfig, to provide scholarships for students planning to attend the University of Northern Iowa majoring in accounting or business finance.

Eligibility requirements:

Graduating from Dubuque Wahlert High School, Dubuque, Iowa

Award Amount:

\$1,000

Criteria:

Academic achievement (GPA over 3.0)  
Demonstrated leadership and service through activities  
Preference given to applicants planning to attend the University of Northern Iowa majoring in accounting or business finance

## VIRGIL AND ELEANOR BOWSER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship at Springville High School*

Established in 2014 by the family of Virgil and Eleanor Bowser to assist deserving students graduating from Springville High School.

### Eligibility requirements:

Graduating from Springville High School, Springville, Iowa

Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public vocational trade or technical post-secondary school as a full-time student

### Award Amount:

\$450, payable at the beginning of the second (spring) semester of the first year of college

### Criteria:

Financial need

Minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average

Preference given to students who participate in volunteer service activities

Preference given to students who demonstrate high moral character

## KENNETH AND CHARLOTTE BROWN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship at Alburnett High School*

Established in 2017 by Mrs. Brown to assist deserving students graduating from Alburnett High School.

### Eligibility requirements:

Graduating from Alburnett High School, Alburnett, Iowa

Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public vocational trade or technical post-secondary school as a full-time student

### Award Amount:

\$1,000

### Criteria:

Priority criteria: intent to pursue a major related to mathematics (engineering, teaching, or other related field)

Minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average

Preference given to students who participate in volunteer service activities

Preference given to students who demonstrate high moral character

Financial need may be a determining factor

## WILLIAM AND PATRICA BUSS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship at Denver High School*

Established in 2016 by Mr. and Mrs. Buss to assist deserving students graduating from Denver High School.

### Eligibility requirements:

Graduating from Denver High School, Denver, Iowa

Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public vocational trade or technical post-secondary school as a full-time student

Award Amount:

\$3,000 renewable for one additional year

Criteria:

Financial need

Minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average

Preference given to students who participate in volunteer service activities

Preference given to students who demonstrate high moral character

## **WILLIAM AND PATRICIA BUSS STEM SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

*Scholarship at Denver High School*

Established in 2018 by Mr. and Mrs. Buss to assist deserving students graduating from Denver High School.

Eligibility requirements:

Graduating from Denver High School, Denver, Iowa

Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public vocational trade or technical post-secondary school as a full-time student

Award Amount:

\$1,000 renewable for three additional years

Criteria:

Priority criteria placed on pursuit of a STEM field: (Science, Technology, Engineering, or Math)

Minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average

Preference given to students who participate in volunteer service activities

Preference given to students who demonstrate high moral character

## **SUKI CELL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

*Scholarship managed by (to be determined)*

## **COLLEGE CLUB OF CEDAR RAPIDS SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT FUND**

*Supports **College Opportunity Scholarship** at the Community Foundation*

Established in 1993 to support deserving Linn County students.

## **JOE CORBIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

*Scholarship at Community Foundation*

Established in 2002 by Paul and Sara Corbin in memory of their son, Joe, to assist students who are children of attendees of the former Lincoln Community High School.

Eligibility requirement:

Child of attendee(s) of the former Lincoln High School graduating from high school  
Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public two or four-year college or university

Award Amount:

\$500

Criteria:

See above requirement

## DAYBREAK ROTARY-POLK SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Supports "Legacy for Learning" scholarships*

Established in 2001 for students attending Polk Elementary School to assist with expenses for post-secondary education.

Eligibility requirement:

Student at either Arthur, Garfield, or Johnson Elementary Schools in Cedar Rapids, Iowa

## SANDRA SIEPERDA DEBOOM MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship at Washington High School*

Established in 2013 by Tom DeBoom and Todd DeBoom in memory of their mother, Sandra Sieperda DeBoom.

Eligibility requirements:

Graduating from Washington High School, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and eligible for and receiving special education services for learning disabilities

Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public two or four-year college or university

Award Amount:

\$500

Criteria:

Financial need

High moral character

## DELAWARE COUNTY FISH & GAME PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship for students in Delaware County*

Established in 2004 to assist students in the West Delaware, Maquoketa Valley, or Edgewood-Colesburg School Districts, with priority given to applicants pursuing careers in land stewardship and/or conservation.

Eligibility requirements:

Graduating from West Delaware, Maquoketa Valley, or Edgewood-Colesburg High School.

Planning to attend a fully-accredited nonprofit or public college, university, vocational, or technical school in the state of Iowa

Minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average

Award Amount: \$800 (approximate)

Criteria:

Priority is given to students who wish to pursue a career in land stewardship and/ or conservation.

## **ROBERT K. DENNIS SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

*Scholarship at Lone Tree High School*

Established in 2001 by Eloise Dennis, in recognition of her husband, Robert K. Dennis, for his role in the creation of the Lone Tree School District chapter of the Future Farmers of America.

Eligibility requirements:

Graduating from Lone Tree High School, Lone Tree, Iowa  
Pursuing an agricultural career

Award Amount:

\$1,000

Criteria:

Active participation in the Future Farmers of America

## **CHRIS AND SUZY DEWOLF FAMILY MOUNT MERCY UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

*Scholarship managed by Mount Mercy University*

## **O.J. AND VIOLA N. ELSENBAST SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

*Scholarship at Graettinger-Terril Community High School*

Established in 1991 by O.J. Elsenbast to assist students in the Graettinger Community School District.

Eligibility requirements:

Graduating from Graettinger-Terril High School residing in the geographic area originally served by the Graettinger Community School District  
Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public two or four-year college or university

Award Amount:

\$1,000; renewable for one additional year based on academic performance

Criteria:

Academic achievement  
Financial need  
Good character and citizenship  
Career goals

## **FARMERS STATE BANK ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

*Scholarship managed by Kirkwood Community College Foundation*

## DARRELL AND DOROTHY (MERRITT) FISHER SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarships managed by Prairie School Foundation and Marion Independent School Foundation*

## ANNA PURNA GHOSH KIRKWOOD SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship managed by Kirkwood Community College Foundation*

## A.P. GHOSH ADVANCED PLACEMENT SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship managed by Cedar Rapids Community School District*

## CHARLES AND EDITH GLIDDEN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Supports **Glidden Community Service Scholarship** at the Community Foundation*

Established in 2003 to commemorate Mr. and Mrs. Glidden's interest in young people, their belief that education is a key component of responsible citizenship, and their desire to provide opportunities for students of all social and economic groups in Linn County.

### Eligibility requirement:

Graduating from a high school in Linn County, Iowa

Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public two or four-year college or university

### Award Amount:

\$1,000

### Criteria:

Community involvement

Demonstrated respect and consideration for others

## CLAUDE AND MARY GREINER FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship managed by Mid-Prairie Community School District Foundation*

## WALTER HAMMILL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship managed by Springville School District Foundation*

## JOHN HEGARTY JR. SCHOLARSHIP FOR ACADEMIC AND ATHLETIC EXCELLENCE FUND

*Scholarship managed by Jefferson High School*

## RICHARD AND ALICE HOUMES SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship managed by Central City Community School District*

## IOWA PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship managed by Iowa Physician's Assistant Society*

## JOSLIN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship managed by Kirkwood Community College Foundation*

## GEORGE A. AND LOUISE M. KALOUS OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP

*Supports **Kalous Opportunity Scholarship** at the Community Foundation*

Established in 2013 by Mrs. Kalous to support deserving Linn County students.

Eligibility requirement:

Graduating from a high school in Linn County, Iowa

Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public two or four-year college or university

Award Amount:

\$1,000; renewable for three additional years

Criteria:

Financial need

Demonstrated strong ethics and high moral character

Preferred:

Planning to pursue study in Government, Political Science, Engineering, or Music

Planning to attend a college or university in the state of Iowa

## HENRY AND SARA KATZ FOUNDATION FUND

*Supports **College Opportunity Scholarship** for Linn County students*

Established in 2006 to support deserving Linn County students.

## KELLEY FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR CENTRAL A & M COMMUNITY UNIT DISTRICT 21

*Scholarship at Central A & M High School in Assumption, Illinois*

Established in 2013 by the estate of Robert E. and Merry J. Kelley to assist deserving students graduating from Central A & M High School in Assumption, Illinois.

Eligibility requirements:

Graduating from Central A & M High School, Assumption, Illinois

Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public two or four-year college or university

Award Amount:

\$1,000; renewable for three additional years

Criteria for scholarship selection

Academic achievement

Outstanding leadership

Exemplary citizenship

Service to the school and community

## ROBERT E. AND MERRY J. KELLEY SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR LISBON HIGH SCHOOL

*Scholarship at Lisbon High School*

Established in 2013 by the estate of Robert E. and Merry J. Kelley to assist deserving students graduating from Lisbon High School in Lisbon, Iowa.

### Eligibility requirements:

Graduating from Lisbon High School, Lisbon, Iowa

Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public two or four-year college or university

### Award Amount:

\$1,000; renewable for three additional years

### Criteria:

Academic achievement

Outstanding leadership

Exemplary citizenship

Service to the school and community

## KLEIMAN FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship at the Community Foundation*

Established in 1998 by Clara and Thomas Kleiman and members of the Kleiman family.

### Eligibility requirements:

Graduating from Jefferson, Kennedy, Linn-Mar, Marion, Prairie, Washington, Xavier

Planning to attend Iowa State University, the University of Iowa, or the University of Northern Iowa

### Award Amount:

\$5,000, renewable for three additional years based on academic performance

### Criteria:

First: Leadership and good character

Second: Academic achievement

Third: Financial need

One female and one male candidate from each high school will be nominated for final selection by the Community Foundation Scholarship Committee for the scholarship.

## JOHN STEPHEN KLIMA SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Supports Klima Academic Excellence Scholarship at Jefferson High School*

Established in 2016 by the estate of Mr. Klima to support deserving Jefferson students.

### Eligibility requirements:

Graduating from Jefferson High School, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public two or four-year college or university



Award Amount:

\$1,000; renewable for three additional years

Criteria for scholarship selection:

Academic achievement (GPA & class rank along with depth & variety of classes completed)

## KOMENSKY SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship at the Community Foundation*

Established in 2001 by the Komensky Society, a group begun in 1909 by a group of students at Coe College. The group was named after Jan Komensky (1592-1670), a renowned Czech educator, scholar, and philosopher who was instrumental in the introduction of educational methods and textbooks throughout Europe during his lifetime.

Eligibility requirements:

Czech or Slovak heritage

Graduating from a Linn County, Iowa, high school

Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public two or four-year college or university

Award Amount:

\$500 - \$1,000

Criteria:

Demonstrated importance of Czech or Slovak heritage in student's life

Financial need

Academic achievement

Good character

## LAVENZ MEMORIAL INCOURAGE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship at Kennedy High School*

Established in 2006 by the Lavenz family to assist high school students who have demonstrated courage, perseverance, and resilience in the face of serious or life-threatening medical adversity affecting themselves or their immediate family during their high school career.

Eligibility requirements:

Graduating from Kennedy High School, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, (or a recent Kennedy graduate forced to postpone additional education due to medical hardship)

Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public college or university in the state of Iowa

Award Amount:

\$500

Criteria:

First: Medical (or other significant) hardship

Second: Personal commitment to education goals

Third: Use of personal experience to impact other young adults affected by similar hardships

Fourth: Financial need

## ALL-MCKINLEY ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship at McKinley Middle School*

Established in 1993 for students attending McKinley Middle School, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Selection is based upon outstanding academic achievement, sound character, good citizenship and capable leadership.

## NINA E. AND VICTOR D. MERVEAUX SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Supports **Merveaux Academic Excellence Scholarship** at the Community Foundation*

Established in 2003 by Mrs. Merveaux to assist graduating Linn County high school seniors in their future education.

### Eligibility requirement:

Graduating from a high school in Linn County, Iowa

Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public two or four-year college or university

### Award Amount:

\$500

### Criteria:

Academic achievement (GPA and class rank along with depth and variety of classes completed)

## PEGGY CHABAL MIKSCH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship managed by Mid-Prairie Community School District Foundation*

## OUTSTANDING STUDENT LEADER SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Supports **Outstanding Student Leader Scholarship** at the Community Foundation*

Established in 2008 to carry forward the spirit of the annual Outstanding Student Leader and Special Teacher Recognition in Linn County.

### Eligibility requirement:

Graduating from a high school in Linn County, Iowa

Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public two or four-year college or university

### Award Amount:

\$500

### Criteria:

Exemplary leadership skills both in and outside the school environment

Academic achievement: top 1/3 of graduating class with GPA of 3.0 or above

Demonstration of outstanding character and judgment, dependability, and teamwork

## DR. RALPH PLAGMAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship at Washington High School*

Established in 2017 to honor longtime principal Dr. Ralph Plagman and to assist deserving students graduating from Washington.

Eligibility requirements:

Graduating from Washington High School, Cedar Rapids, Iowa  
Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public two or four-year college or university

Award Amount:

\$500

Criteria:

Academic achievement (GPA over 3.2)  
Active in community service  
High moral character  
Financial need (eligible for free/reduced price lunch or other circumstances)

## PRAIRIE GOLF SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship at Prairie High School*

## VERN W. REEDER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship at the Community Foundation*

Established in 1996 by Jeanne F. Reeder in memory of her husband. Mr. Reeder's statement, "There are no yesterdays, only tomorrows!" exemplified his attitude toward life and his desire to help others.

Eligibility requirements:

Graduating from Jefferson, Kennedy, Metro, or Washington high schools in Cedar Rapids, Iowa  
Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public two or four-year college or university

Award Amount:

\$1,000, renewable for one additional year

Criteria:

Financial need  
Demonstrated strong ethics and high moral character

## CHIEF JUSTICE WARD REYNOLDSON SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship at Clarke High School*

The Honorable W. Ward Reynoldson served as Justice and eventually Chief Justice of the Iowa Supreme Court for approximately 17 years. Before his service on the Court, Chief Justice Reynoldson was an attorney in a law firm in Osceola. While serving the Court, he maintained his residency in his home in Osceola, where he also previously served as the Clarke County Attorney. This scholarship recognizes the achievements and interests of the Chief.

Eligibility requirements:

Graduating from Clarke High School, Osceola, Iowa

Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public two or four-year college or university

Award Amount:

\$450

Criteria:

Expressed interest in a legal, law enforcement or Naval career (or in public service as an alternate if needed)

Demonstrated promise for a legal, law enforcement or Naval career (or in public service as an alternate)

## **DAVE SHAY – KGAN-TV BROADCAST JOURNALISM SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

*Supports scholarship for students planning to pursue a career in broadcast journalism*

## **ADRIENNE SMITH SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

*Scholarship managed by Mount Vernon Community School District Foundation*

## **SMITH FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

*Supports Francis McMann Scholarship and Norma Wenzel Scholarship at Washington High School*

Established in 2011 by Dyan and John Smith to honor teachers Francis McMann and Norma Wenzel to assist deserving students graduating from Washington High School

Eligibility requirements:

Graduating from Washington High School, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public four-year college or university

Award Amount:

\$1,000; renewable for one additional year based on academic performance (minimum 3.0 GPA)

Criteria:

Academic achievement (GPA over 3.2)

High moral character

Financial need (achievement, character, and need weighed equally)

Preference given to applicants planning to major in economics/business (McMann)

Preference given to applicants planning to major in English or education (Wenzel)

## **SARA SORENSEN ENDOWED CULINARY ARTS SCHOLARSHIP DESIGNATED FUND**

*Scholarship managed by Kirkwood Community College Foundation*

## **TREES FOREVER SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

*Scholarship managed by Iowa State University Foundation*

## **ROBERT VAN CLEAVE SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

*Scholarship managed by Clear Creek Amana Community School District Foundation*

## ELIJAH JAMES WAGNER COMMUNITY OF FAITH SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship managed by Xavier Foundation*

## DREW WALL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship at Kennedy High School*

Established in 2013 by Doug and Robin Wall in memory of their son, Drew, with the support of the 2012 Kennedy men's golf team and their families and the entire Kennedy community.

Eligibility requirements:

Graduating senior at Kennedy High School, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, who is a member of the school's men's golf team  
Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public two or four-year college or university

Award Amount:

\$1,000

Criteria:

Strong character  
Academic achievement  
Service to the community

## GLENN AND MARY WENDLER SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Scholarship for students from Linn or Iowa County*

Established in 2001 by the Wendler family.

Eligibility requirements:

Graduating from a Linn or Iowa County high school  
Planning to attend a fully accredited nonprofit or public two or four-year college or university  
Planning to pursue a career in engineering, architecture, or construction

Award Amount:

\$500

Criteria:

First: Financial need  
Second: Volunteerism  
Third: Academic achievement

## ZETA PHI ETA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR THE PERFORMING & COMMUNICATIVE ARTS

*Scholarship at the University of Iowa for graduate students in the performing & communicative arts*

Established in 1994 by the Zeta Phi Eta Fraternity of Cedar Rapids.