



SOUTHWEST FLORIDA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

2020 Merit Based Scholarships

These are general descriptions of Southwest Florida Community Foundation competitive scholarships for High School Seniors, Adult Learners, Undergraduate Students and Graduate Students who meet the criteria outlined. Completion of the FAFSA Form is required for all scholarships.

Complete the online application at www.floridacommunity.com/scholarships Monday, December 2, 2019 to Sunday, February 10, 2020 (closes at 5:00 p.m.)

The online scholarship application includes prequalifying questions relevant to the selection criteria for each scholarship. If you have questions about scholarships, please email Malaina Mote: scholarships@floridacommunity.com.

SCHOLARSHIP DESCRIPTION	AWARD	WHO MAY APPLY?
<p>Patricia Means Scholarship Fund To fund a scholarship for high school seniors who are graduating from a high school in Charlotte, Lee, Collier, Hendry or Glades County.</p> <p>Eligibility Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must have a minimum of 2.0 unweighted GPA, but must not have an unweighted GPA higher than a 3.0. • Must enroll at a technical school, community college, college or university. • Must enroll full time. • Must be a United States citizen. • Must provide a copy of government issued ID or birth certificate to verify citizenship. <p>Selected applicants will be called for an interview in April.</p>	<p>\$10,000 <i>Renewable up to 4 years</i> Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p>The Tommy Bohanon Foundation Scholarship Fund To fund scholarships for Lee County high school seniors who participated in any aspect of sports during high school, demonstrates academic excellence and is committed to community service.</p> <p>Eligibility Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must have participated in any aspect of sports, during high school, demonstrates academic excellence and is committed to community service. • Must provide verification of sports involvement. 	<p>\$5,000 Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>

<p align="center">AMI Kids SWFL Foundation- Gulf Harbour Yacht Club Scholarship Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for students who successfully completed the AMI Kids Southwest Florida program and wants to pursue technical school or college. This scholarship fund will award a two-year renewable scholarship to each scholarship recipient.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must successfully complete the AMI Kids Southwest Florida Program. • Must plan to attend a technical school, trade school, college or university. 	<p align="center">\$2,500 <i>Renewable up to 2 years</i> Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors Adult Learners Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>
<p align="center">Richard S. Thompson and Marion L. Thompson Memorial Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for Lee County students pursuing a post high school science education.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must have an unweighted GPA of at least 3.5. • Must graduate from a high school in Lee County. • Must be pursuing a post-secondary science education. <p><i>Selected applicants will be called for an interview.</i></p>	<p align="center">\$10,000 Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>
<p align="center">Bobby Holloway Jr. Memorial Scholarship Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for students who graduate from a Lee County high school and exhibit commitment to community service.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must have an unweighted GPA of at least 2.5. • Must graduate from a high school in Lee County. • Must exhibit commitment to community service. • Must plan to attend a technical college, state college, community college or university. <p><i>Selected applicants will be called for an interview.</i></p>	<p align="center">\$10,000</p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>
<p align="center">O. Fred and Bernadine Stuefer Scholarship Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for graduating high school seniors in Lee County who pursue business or science upon entering college.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must have an unweighted GPA of at least 3.0. • Must graduate from a high school in Lee County. • Must be pursuing a degree in business or science. • Must maintain at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA and pursue a business or science degree, to receive scholarship renewal. 	<p align="center">\$2,000 <i>Renewable up to 4 years</i></p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p align="center">Paul B. & Aline Flynn Scholarship Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for students pursuing a degree, from a 4-year accredited college, in Communication or Journalism.</p>	<p align="center">\$3,000 Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>

<p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must graduate from a public or private high school in Charlotte, Collier, Lee, Hendry or Glades County. • Must pursue a degree in Communication or Journalism. • Must have an unweighted 3.0 GPA or higher. 		
<p align="center">Cape Coral Mayor’s Scholarship Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for students who reside in Cape Coral, FL and plan to attend a college, university or technical school.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be a resident of Cape Coral, Florida. • Must plan to attend a college or university. 	<p align="center">\$1,000 <i>Renewable up to 4 years</i></p>	<p align="center">High School Seniors</p>
<p align="center">Cape Coral Mayor’s Scholarship Fund for Technical College</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for students who reside in Cape Coral, FL and plan to attend a technical college. This scholarship is renewable for each year of the recipient’s program.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be a resident of Cape Coral, Florida. • Must plan to attend a technical college. 	<p align="center">\$1,000 <i>Renewable up to 2 years</i></p>	<p align="center">High School Seniors</p>
<p align="center">Chip Johnson Memorial Scholarship Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for students who have completed 60 hours of college and plan to attend Barry University, Florida Gulf Coast University, Nova Southeastern University, Florida Southwestern State College or Hodges University.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must have completed 60 semester hours of college and plan to continue study toward a 4-year degree at Barry University, Florida Gulf Coast University, Nova, Edison State College or Hodges University, or a regionally accredited college in the 5-county area. • Must have a GPA of 3.5 or above and an outstanding record of academic achievement. • Must live in the 5-county area served by the Community Foundation (Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry and Lee). • Must demonstrate leadership, community service and service to school. 	<p align="center">\$4,000 Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p align="center">Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>
<p align="center">John and Ellen Sheppard Humane Student Scholarship Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for high school seniors who have a belief in a universal creator of life and are actively involved in school and student life, with a commitment to help others through volunteer work in the community, charitable organizations or religious organizations.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must graduate from a public or private high school in Lee, Charlotte, Hendry or Glades County. 	<p align="center">\$2,700 Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p align="center">High School Seniors</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must have a minimum 3.2 unweighted GPA. • Must acknowledge belief in a universal creator of life or higher power. • Must be actively involved in school and student life with a willingness and a commitment to helping others. 		
<p>Lewis B. Barber Memorial Scholarship Fund To fund a scholarship for books and tuition for students pursuing either a certification to teach the deaf and/or the blind or attending seminary or pre-seminary school to study Church Christian music or Christian Education.</p> <p>Eligibility Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must graduate from public or private high school in Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry or Lee County. • Must pursue certification to teach deaf/blind or attend seminary/pre-seminary school. • Must maintain satisfactory grades. • Must acknowledge and express Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. 	\$5,100	High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students
<p>Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce / Ralph A. Richardson Fund To fund a scholarship for a graduate or high school senior of Estero High School, or the child of a current Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce Member. Preference will be given to children of a current Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce member.</p> <p>Eligibility Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be the child of a current Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce Member <i>or</i> a graduate/senior of Estero High School. • Must have an unweighted 3.0 cumulative GPA or higher throughout high school years and up to application date. • Must be planning to continue education at a vocation school, technical school, college or university. • Must exhibit a commitment to volunteering. • Must submit Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce membership verification to receive preference. 	\$3,000 Multiple Awards Available	High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students
<p>Dorothy Curtis Brown Scholarship Fund in Memory of Ann Nutt To fund a scholarship for a student, early childhood program director or assistant director who will pursue advanced certification from an accredited college or university to become an administrator or director at a child care center.</p> <p>Eligibility Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must enroll at an accredited college or university in Southwest Florida. • Must want to obtain a Child Development Associate Certificate (CDA), Associate's Degree or Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education. 	\$1,000	High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students

<p align="center">John & Ruth Childe Scholarship Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a Lee County student with a physical disability to pursue higher education in a college, university or technical school.</p> <p>Eligibility Requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must graduate from public or private high school in Lee County. • Must have a physical disability and the ability to state and describe disability in the application's personal essay section. 	\$1,900	High School Seniors Undergraduates Graduates
<p align="center">Anne M. Fassett Scholarship Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for men and women who have a physical disability and are seeking post high school educational opportunities at a college, community college or technical school level.</p> <p>Eligibility Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must graduate from public or private high school in Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry or Lee County; or, be currently enrolled or planning to attend a Florida state college, community college, or technical school. • Must have a physical disability. • Must use a wheelchair. 	\$3,800	High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students
<p align="center">Couse-Gram Scholarship Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a Moore Haven High School student pursuing post-secondary education.</p> <p>Eligibility Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be a Moore Haven High School senior. • Must be pursuing post-secondary education. 	\$950	High School Seniors
<p align="center">Carol Patti McLaughlin Scholarship Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a student pursuing a 4-year degree, at an accredited college or university, who has an unweighted GPA of 3.3 or higher, demonstrates community service and is from Lee, Charlotte, Glades or Hendry County.</p> <p>Eligibility Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be a student in Lee, Charlotte, Glades or Hendry County. • Must be pursuing a 4-year degree at an accredited college or university. • Must have an unweighed GPA of 3.3 or higher. • Must exhibit community service. 	\$1,200	High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students
<p align="center">Doris W. Frey Memorial Scholarship Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for students studying Christian Ministry/Youth Ministry, Education, Christian Counseling, Nursing or Medicine. Preference will be given to members and attendees off the Sanibel Community Church.</p> <p>Eligibility Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must graduate from a public or private high school in Charlotte, Collier, Hendry, Glades or Lee County. 	\$2,700 Multiple Awards Available	High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must pursue a degree in Christian Ministry/Youth Ministry, Christian Counseling, Education, Nursing or Medicine. • Must be committed to a life of Christian service. • Must demonstrate a commitment through action in ministering to others. • Must have recognized ability & academic performance with standard measures of grades & appropriate test scores. 		
<p align="center">Bruce T. Gora Scholarship Fund</p> <p>To fund one scholarship to a high school senior or undergraduate student who is pursuing photography (digital or traditional), architecture or music (priority to a brass instrument player or trumpeter) at an accredited college, university or technical school in Florida.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must graduate from a public or private school in Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry or Lee County. • Must pursue a major in Fine Arts Photography, Architecture or Music at a Florida college, university or technical school. • Must have an unweighted GPA of at least a 2.5. 	\$1,200	High School Seniors Undergraduate Students
<p align="center">Frances Harris Gresham Scholarship Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a Lee County graduate, of a public or private high school, to attend college.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must graduate from a public or private high school in Lee County. • Must plan on attending college. 	\$1,400	High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students
<p align="center">Immokalee Achievement Award Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for an Immokalee High School graduating senior who has or will be applying to a community college, or an advanced education trade school, for a course or courses leading to a specialized trade or job skill.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must graduate from Immokalee High School. • Must enroll at a community college or trade school in courses leading up to a specialized trade or job skill. 	\$1,000	High School Seniors
<p align="center">George E. Judd Scholarship Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for graduating Lee County seniors pursuing higher education in the fine or performing arts.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must graduate from a public or private high school in Lee County. • Must pursue a degree in fine or performing arts. 	\$1,000 Multiple Awards Available	High School Seniors
<p align="center">Doc Keen Memorial Scholarship Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a student who was an active member of 4-H or FFA for two consecutive years and attended a Clewiston or LaBelle High School.</p>	\$750	High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students

<p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must graduate from Clewiston or LaBelle high school. • Must pursue post-secondary education. • Must have been active member of 4-H or FFA for two consecutive years. 		
<p>Isabel Mayer Kirkpatrick Scholarship Fund To fund a scholarship for Lee County high school graduates with a “B” average.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must graduate from public or private high school in Lee County. • Must be well-rounded in terms of education, community service, sports and leadership activities. • Must have an unweighted GPA between 2.7 - 3.3. 	\$5,400	High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students
<p>G. Napier and Ellen T. Wilson Scholarship Fund To fund a scholarship for an outstanding high school student who has volunteered at a Veterans Administration Hospital, Clinic or similar organization providing services to military veterans, to attend an accredited university, college or vocational technical institution.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must graduate from a public or private high school in Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry or Lee County. • Must have volunteered at a veteran’s administration hospital or clinic, or a similar organization that provides services to military veterans. • Must provide a letter of recommendation from the veteran’s facility or organization where the applicant volunteers. 	\$4,200	High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students
<p>Lee County Library Sciences Scholarship Fund To fund a scholarship for Lee County residents pursuing a Bachelor or Master’s degree in Library Science.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be a resident of Lee County. • Must be pursuing a Bachelor or Master Degree in Library Science. • Must have completed at least 60 credit hours. • Must have an unweighted GPA of 3.0 or higher. 	\$5,700	High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students
<p>Ruth Messmer Scholarship Fund To fund a scholarship for women pursuing a business career in college.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must graduate from public or private high school in Lee, Charlotte, Glades, Hendry or Collier County. • Must be a woman. • Must be pursuing a business career in college. • Must be well-rounded in terms of education, community service and leadership activities. 	\$1,200	High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students

<p align="center">Judge William J. Nelson Scholarship Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a student who will attend or attends the University of Florida.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must graduate from a high school in Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry or Lee County. • Must have overcome adversity in some way. • Must attend the University of Florida. 	<p>\$1,900</p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>
<p align="center">Chet and Janett Perry Rotary Club of Fort Myers Scholarship Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a student who is pursuing a career in Accounting.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be graduating from a public or private high school in Charlotte, Collier, Hendry, Glades or Lee County. • Must pursue a degree in Accounting. • Must enter college within a year following high school graduation. 	<p>\$900</p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p align="center">Southwest Florida Deputy Sheriffs Association Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for students who are dependents of an active Sheriff's law enforcement officer.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must graduate from a high school in Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry or Lee County. • Must be pursuing post-secondary education. • Must be a dependent of an active Sheriff's Law Enforcement officer in Lee, Charlotte, Collier, Hendry or Glades County. • Must list name of Law Enforcement Officer on application. • Must provide documentation of Sheriff's Office employment. 	<p>\$1,500 Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>
<p align="center">Mrs. Cathy Riedel Scholarship Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for Cypress Lake High School seniors who want to pursue a career that involves helping those with special needs. Preference will be given to those who have participated in the Special Olympics and who have aided in ESE classrooms. This award is not restricted to education majors; any public service career, such as Law Enforcement, Fire and Rescue, Nursing, Law, Medicine, etc., is included.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be a Cypress Lake High School student. • Must want to pursue a career related to assisting people with special needs. 	<p>\$1,000</p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p align="center">The Speakers Assembly of Southwest Florida Scholarship Fund</p>	<p>\$2,500</p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>

<p>To fund a scholarship for high school or college students who apply for a scholarship, through The Speakers Assembly of Southwest Florida scholarship process, and meets the requirements.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must apply for this scholarship through the Speakers Assembly of Southwest Florida. • Must be a high school or college student. • Must meet the scholarship requirements, which are available through the Speakers Assembly. 		
<p style="text-align: center;">Jim Ilias Athletic Memorial Scholarship</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a high school athlete who demonstrates excellence in athletics, academics, sportsmanship and moral character, and is pursuing post-secondary education.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be a high school athlete in Lee, Charlotte, Collier, Hendry or Glades County. • Must be pursuing post-secondary education. • Must demonstrate excellence in athletics, academics, sportsmanship and moral character. • Must submit letter of recommendation from coach. 	\$1,000	High School Seniors
<p style="text-align: center;">The Ricky Pigott Memorial Fund</p> <p>To fund two scholarships: (1) A high school senior who participated in the Cape Coral Youth Football Association and (2) A Mariner High School football player who is a graduating senior.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (1) Must have participated in the Cape Coral Youth Football Association. <p style="text-align: center;">Or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (2) Must be a Mariner High School football player. 	(1) \$1,500 (2) \$2,500	High School Seniors
<p style="text-align: center;">City of Sanibel Employee Dependent Scholarship Fund</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for dependents of Sanibel City employees to attend a college or university.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be a dependent of a Sanibel City employee. 	\$850 Multiple Awards Available	High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students
<p style="text-align: center;">Linda L. Mann Scholarship Fund for Music Majors</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a graduating high school senior who is planning to major in music education at Florida Southern College.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be a graduating high school senior in southern Florida. • Must be majoring music. • Must attend Florida Southern College in Lakeland, Florida. 	\$1,500	High School Seniors

<p>Allen B. and Elizabeth W. Shevach Scholarship Fund for Lee County High School Graduates</p> <p>To fund a scholarship for deserving students who graduate from high schools located in Lee County.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be a high school graduate of a Lee County High School. 	<p>\$1,250</p> <p><i>Renewable up to 4 years</i></p> <p>Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
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