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## Scholarships Workforce and Educational Awards

The Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation is pleased to offer **Workforce and Educational Awards and Scholarships** for those interested in furthering their education and/or job skills. **If you are considering attending any type of school or training, apply between January 15 and March 15.**

### Application Deadline: March 15

Access Scholarship, Workforce and Educational Award information and applications on the Scholarship Page of our website at: [www.gracf.org](http://www.gracf.org)

We have 3 applications – all online!

**1. High School Scholarship Application:**

For students graduating from high school, home school, and earning a GED this year

**2. General Scholarship Application:**

For everyone else! (Anyone not graduating from high school)

**3. Aviation Scholarship Application:**

For anyone interested in pursuing aviation study or flight hours

For more information, contact your Guidance Counselor or the  
Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation

# Scholarship Categories

Details for each specific scholarship or award are listed in the alphabetical section at the end.

**educational grants for the Greater Itasca Area**  
**► learn here, work here, live here (come back here!) ◄**

**SCHOLARSHIPS IN RED ARE GENERALLY DESIGNED FOR STUDENTS TO GET INTO THE  
WORKFORCE (OR UPGRADE YOUR JOB) IN LESS THAN 2 YEARS**

## Employment, Workforce and Business Specific

- Zack Adams Memorial Scholarship
- Phil & Pat Anderson Education Support\*
- The Builders' Group
- Business Women of Greater Grand Rapids
- Diamond Willow Advancement in Healthcare
- Greater Itasca NOW Awards
- Greater Itasca VoTech / Community College
- Beefy Lawson Memorial Scholarship
- Terry & Muggs Matteson L& M Appreciation
- Magnetation Scholarships
- Northern Minnesota Builders' Association

## Field of Study Specific

Catherine M. Anderson Memorial Scholarship  
Richard & Elaine T Aune Music Scholarship  
Robert and Shirley Bennett Physics Scholarship  
**The Builders' Group**  
**Diamond Willow Advancement in Healthcare**  
Gary Ehalt "His Love for Animals" Scholarship  
Turna E Fletcher Scholarship  
Bob Frick Memorial Scholarship  
Rose Ann Fritz Piano Scholarship  
Max Fulton Forestry Scholarship  
John & Francis Furlong Scholarship

Grand Itasca Clinic & Hospital Volunteer Services  
Grand Itasca Foundation  
Grand Rapids State Bank Financial Focus Scholarship  
**Greater Itasca STEM Scholarship**  
Hannula Aviation Scholarship  
Lavona M. Jasper Scholarship  
Dr. & Mrs. Robert Kelly Scholarship  
**Northern Minnesota Builders' Association**  
Bill & Ruth Powers Education Award  
Dan Retka Memorial Scholarship  
Alan Seagren Memorial Scholarship

## Vocational, Technical, Community College and Certifications

**Zack Adams Memorial Scholarship**  
**The Builders' Group**  
Bob Frick Memorial Scholarship  
John & Francis Furlong Scholarship  
**Greater Itasca NOW Awards**

**Greater Itasca VoTech / Community College**  
JW Kumpula Scholarship  
**Northern Minnesota Builders' Association**  
Betty Shannon Scholarship (ICC)  
Erling & Fran Willadson Scholarship

## Medical – Healthcare

**Diamond Willow Advancement in Healthcare**  
Gary Ehalt "His Love For Animals" Scholarship  
Grand Itasca Clinic & Hospital Volunteer Services  
**Greater Itasca NOW Awards**  
**Greater Itasca VoTech / Community College**  
Grand Itasca Clinic & Hospital Volunteer Services

Grand Itasca Foundation  
Dr. & Mrs. Robert Kelly Scholarship  
Dr. Jules O. Meyer & Ilo M. Meyer Medical Scholarship  
Betty Shannon Scholarship (ICC)  
Betty Shannon Scholarship (CSS)

## Geographic (where you live or go to school)

### Minnesota: State, Regional and Greater Itasca Area

#### Includes ALL in the area, regardless of school

AAUW Anniversary Scholarship	Hannula Aviation Scholarship
Melvin and Lucille Beier Scholarship	Barb James Memorial Scholarship
Robert and Shirley Bennett Physics Scholarship	Dr. & Mrs. Robert Kelly Scholarship
The Builders' Group	Frances Bartos King – James E. King Scholarship
Business Women of Greater Grand Rapids Scholarship	Dr. Jules O. Meyer & Ilo M. Meyer Medical Scholarship
Community Foundation General Scholarship	Minnesota DNR Forestry Employees' Association
Eagle Scholarship	MDI Success at Work Scholarship
Gary Ehalt "His Love For Animals" Scholarship	Joe Mockford Memorial Scholarship
Rose Ann Fritz Piano Scholarship	Keith Newstrom Memorial Aviation Scholarship
Grand Rapids State Bank Financial Focus Scholarship	Northern Minnesota Builders' Association Scholarship
Grand Itasca Clinic & Hospital Volunteer Services	Alan Seagren Memorial Scholarship
Grand Itasca Foundation	Betty Shannon Scholarship (ICC)
Greater Itasca NOW Awards	Betty Shannon Scholarship (CSS)
Greater Itasca STEM Scholarship	Voice of Democracy Scholarship
Greater Itasca VoTech / Community College	

## School Specific

### Alexandria Technical College (Diesel Mechanic Program)

Zack Adams Memorial Scholarship

### Bigfork High School

Bigfork Lions Scholarship  
Sulo Herrala Scholarship

G.J. Holt Family Scholarship  
Latterell Family Memorial Scholarship

### District 318 (Bigfork High School and Grand Rapids High School)

Catherine M. Anderson Memorial Scholarship  
Richard & Elaine T Aune Music Scholarship

Bill & Ruth Powers Education Award

### Deer River High School

Karen Brink Scholarship  
Turna E Fletcher Scholarship  
Brad Lemke Scholarship  
Steven Pietila Memorial Scholarship

Jerry Reed Scholarship  
John Setterberg Memorial Scholarship  
Brad Smith Memorial Scholarship  
Robert Stoyke Memorial Scholarship

### Forest Lake Elementary School

Sydney Gray Scholarship

### Grand Rapids and Greenway High Schools

Grand Rapids – Greenway Swimming Association

Kosak Family Scholarship

### Grand Rapids High School

American Legion Post 60 Scholarship  
Jerry and Cathie (Saxhaug) Anderson Scholarship  
Bonner Hockey Scholar Award  
Lilah Maddy Brandon Scholarship (2015-2018)  
Coach Ted Brill Hockey Scholarship  
Coach Tom Drazenovich Scholarship  
Dede Emerson Scholarship  
Freestone Community Club Scholarship  
Bob Frick Memorial Scholarship

John & Francis Furlong Scholarship  
Ed & Eleanore Gregerson Scholarship  
Jennifer Koprowski Scholarship  
Lyman Loveland Math & Science Scholarship  
Carl & Margaret Mickelson / Kiwanis Scholarship  
Opportunity for the North Scholarship  
Myles Reif Memorial Scholarship (2012-2015)  
Dan Retka Memorial Scholarship  
Erling & Fran Willadson Scholarship

### Greenway High School

Zack Adams Memorial Scholarship  
Rae Graham Memorial Scholarship  
Greenway Spanish Scholarship

Lavona M. Jasper Scholarship  
Edgar R & Bess R Mullins Award  
Bill Prigge Scholarship

**Hibbing Community College**

Beefy Lawson Memorial Award

**Hill City High School**

Hill City Area Community Scholarship

**Itasca Community College**

Phil & Pat Anderson Education Support\*

Betty Shannon Scholarship (ICC)

**Nashwauk-Keewatin, Greenway and Grand Rapids High Schools**

Magnetation Academic Excellence Scholarships

**Nashwauk - Keewatin High School**

Nicole Calgaro Memorial Scholarship

JW Kumpula Scholarship

**Northland High School**

Northland Scholarships

**Oak Hills Bible College**

Ruth Hurlbert Scholarship

**College of St. Scholastica**

Betty Shannon Scholarship (CSS)

**Southwest Elementary School**

Bill Gray Scholarship

# Alphabetical Listing

## *for the 2014 - 2015 academic year*

Updated: January 19, 2015

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### **AAUW Anniversary Scholarship (Grand Rapids Branch) \$ 1,000**

Awards Given: 1

Student Type: Nontraditional Students (Minimum age: 25 years).  
Student may be full-time or part-time.

Area: Greater Itasca Area

Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**

Criteria: AAUW knows that equity is still an issue and believes that education is a gateway to economic security. The Anniversary Scholarship was established and is supported to bring viable and visible life to that belief.  
Finalists for the scholarship award may be asked to participate in an interview process with members of the AAUW Branch and/or staff from the Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation. Students interested in applying for this scholarship must be female and:

1. Have completed a minimum of an AA degree or its equivalent who is planning to complete a certification program, a Bachelor of Arts or Science degree or a post-graduate degree
2. Submit an essay which addresses past experiences that drive the applicant's plans and dreams for the future

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### **Zack Adams Memorial Scholarship \$ 1,000**

Awards Given: 2

Student Type: Graduating High School Student (Greenway)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Year Student (Alexandria Tech).  
Student may be full-time or part-time.

Area: Greater Itasca Area

Renewable: NO

Criteria: Two awards are offered for the Zack Adams Memorial Scholarship, both of which celebrate Zack's life, passions and skills. One scholarship is offered to a senior graduating from Greenway High School. The Greenway recipient may attend any qualified vocational, technical or certification program. The second award is offered to a second-year student attending the Diesel Mechanic Program at Alexandria Tech. Preference may be given to second-year students who graduated from GHS.

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### **American Legion Post 60 Scholarship \$ 500**

Awards Given: 1

Student Type: Graduating High Schools

Area: Grand Rapids High School

Renewable: No

Criteria: This scholarship is offered to students graduating from Grand Rapids high School by the American Legion McVeigh Dunn Post 60. Eligible recipients may attend a vocational or technical institute, community college or 4-year college or university. Potential recipients may study in any field, and there are no high school academic or grade stipulations. A 500-word essay, entitled: "What a Veteran Means to Me" must be included in your application to qualify for consideration.

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### **Catherine M. Anderson Memorial Scholarship \$ 500**

Awards Given: 1

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: District 318

Renewable: No

Criteria: This scholarship was established in memory of Catherine Anderson, who taught for 31 years in District 318, including four years in one-room country schools in the rural Itasca Area. This scholarship supports females who are interested in pursuing a career in education.

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**Jerry and Cathie (Saxhaug) Anderson Scholarship** **\$ 10,000\***

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This scholarship is a reoccurring award with a total value of \$10,000 over 4 years. The scholarship is pro-rated and “progressive”, to supply higher award amounts for your junior and senior years in college, when you generally need more scholarship support.

Year 1: \$ 1,000, Year 2: \$ 2,000, Year 3: \$ 3,000, Year 4: \$ 4,000: Total Award: \$ 10,000

Awards Given: 3

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: Grand Rapids High School

Renewable: Yes

Criteria: Jerry and Cathie (Saxhaug) Anderson, both graduates of Grand Rapids High School, have established this scholarship as a part of giving back to their school and community. Students who have earned a letter in sports or band or who have participated in extracurricular activities will be given a high priority status in the selection criteria. This scholarship is designed for students who are planning to attend a 2 or 4 year college or university. **Priority may be given to students interested in teaching.** \*Other scholarships or awards may be granted from this fund at different levels (example: a 1-time award of \$1,000).

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**Phil & Pat Anderson Education Support\*** **Up to \$ 500**

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Awards Given: TBD

Student Type: Nontraditional Students

Area: Students attending ICC

Renewable: No

Criteria: The Phil & Pat Anderson Education Support Fund is designed to help students remain in school at Itasca Community College. If you are an ICC student experiencing difficulties due to unforeseen family or work situations, please contact ICC Student Support Services. The Phil & Pat Anderson Education Support grant is intended to help students with tools, child or respite care, housing, transportation or other needs while they are attending ICC. **This education grant uses a separate application and can only be accessed through the ICC Student Support Services.**

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**Richard & Elaine T Aune Music Scholarship** **\$ 500**

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Awards Given: 1

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: District 318

Renewable: No

Criteria: The Aune Music scholarship was established to support a graduating senior from GRHS or Bigfork High school who is planning to study music. Preference is given to the study of choral music. Consideration may also be weighted more heavily on vocal and choir disciplines than on band or general music studies. Please provide an elaboration on the type of music study in which you are interested.

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**Melvin and Lucille Beier Family Scholarship** **\$ 500**

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Awards Given: TBD  
Student Type: All Students  
Area: Greater Itasca Area  
Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**  
Criteria: This scholarship is in honor of Melvin and Lucille Beier, longtime Grand Rapids area business owners. There are no academic requirements or qualifications for this award, and recipients may attend any type of accredited school (vocational, technical, university, etc). Successful candidates will provide a discussion in the scholarship application about his/her family and financial situation. A thoughtful description about the reason you are seeking more education is also important to include in the application. Special consideration may be taken for underserved populations within the eligible scholarship pool.

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**Robert and Shirley Bennett Physics Scholarship** **\$ 2,500**

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Awards Given: 2  
Student Type: All Students  
Area: Northern MN Regional  
Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**  
Criteria: Students interested in applying for this scholarship must be a physics major planning to attend a two or four year college or university. Graduating seniors from Aitkin, Cass, Koochiching, Itasca and St. Louis county school districts in Northern Minnesota are eligible. Past recipients may be qualified to reapply for up to four years. **Past recipients must provide a college transcript and indication of appropriate work toward a degree must be provided.**

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**Bigfork Lions Scholarship** **\$ 1,000**

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Awards Given: 2  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Bigfork High School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: This scholarship is intended for a graduating Bigfork High School student. You must provide an essay. **The essay should be 500 words or less, and describe an individual or event that has had an impact on your life.**

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**Bonner Hockey Scholar Award** **\$ 500**

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Awards Given: 2  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Grand Rapids High School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: The Bonner Hockey Scholar Award was established to honor the Bonner Family, a name familiar to hockey and service in our community. The purpose of this scholarship is to recognize students who participate in hockey and have demonstrated the importance of education as reflected in their GPA. The Bonner Hockey Scholar Award is presented to the Grand Rapids High School male and the Grand Rapids HS female hockey player who have the highest cumulative GPA on their respective hockey team. **There is no application for this scholarship.** The recipient will be notified.

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**Lilah Maddy Brandon (2015-2018)** **\$ 4,000\***

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Awards Given: 1 \$1, 000 per year for 4 years  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Grand Rapids High School  
Renewable: Yes  
Criteria: The Lilah Maddy Brandon Scholarship is intended for a senior graduating from Grand Rapids High School. This scholarship pays \$1,000 each year for four (4) years of school. This scholarship may be based on need. Include a short essay (200 words or less) on why you need this scholarship in the "Your Story" section of the application.

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**Coach Ted Brill Hockey Scholarship** **\$ 1,000**

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Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Grand Rapids High School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: The Coach Ted Brill Hockey Scholarship is offered to a male hokey player who demonstrates the values of hockey (and team sports), and a commitment to community and education. **There is no application for this scholarship.** The recipient will be notified.

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**Karen Brink Scholarship** **\$ 250**

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Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Deer River High School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: Thelma and Francis Brink established this scholarship in 1979 as a memorial for their daughter, Karen. The Karen Brink scholarship is intended for a female graduating senior who has participated in athletics and other student activities for at least two (2) years, including the student's senior year.

**The Builders' Group****See Northern MN Builders' Association**

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**Business Women of Greater Grand Rapids Scholarship** **\$ 500**

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**SPONSORED BY THE MINNESOTA BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S FOUNDATION, INC.**

Awards Given: 2  
Student Type: Nontraditional Students (Minimum age: 25 years)  
Area: Minnesota: State-Wide  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: This scholarship supports tuition and fees for women continuing their education. Applicants must be United States citizens and legal residents of the State of Minnesota.

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**Nicole Calgaro Memorial Scholarship** **\$ 250**

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Awards Given: Up to 2  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Nashwauk - Keewatin High School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: This scholarship was established for a senior from Nashwauk - Keewatin High School who is preferably (but not necessarily) interested in the music field. Award consideration may be taken for students involved in 4H.

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**Community Foundation General Scholarship** **\$ 500**

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Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: All Students  
Area: Greater Itasca Area  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: Criteria are determined on an annual basis by the committee. Special consideration may be taken for underserved populations within the eligible scholarship pool. All students are welcome and encouraged to apply. Schools include all public, private and home schools. Greater Itasca Area includes all of Itasca County, Hill City, Northome, Remer and Blackduck.



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**Diamond Willow Advancement in Healthcare Scholarship**

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**\$ 1,000**

Awards Given: 4  
Student Type: All Students  
Area: CNAs working at Diamond Willow Assisted Living, Grand Rapids, MN  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: The Diamond Willow Advancement in Healthcare Scholarship was established to provide further healthcare education to CNAs currently working at Diamond Willow Assisted Living in Grand Rapids, MN. This scholarship is designed to support students with various needs, including night, evening and summer school scheduling, and is intended to be used to further the recipient's career in the field of healthcare. **To be considered, applicants must write about their employment at Diamond Willow. No recommendations will be accepted from employees of Diamond Willow. You must provide at least two "outside" recommendations (such as a teacher/instructor, separate employer or other non-family/non-relative source).**

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**Coach Tom Drazenovich Scholarship**

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**\$ 1,000**

Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Grand Rapids High School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: The Coach Tom Drazenovich Scholarship was established to recognize and award a senior on the Grand Rapids High School Football Team that demonstrates leadership and integrity both on and off the football field. **The application and recommendation process for this scholarship takes place through the football coaching staff.** The recipient will be notified.

**DNR – Forestry Employees' Association Scholarship** **See Minnesota DNR**

**DNR – Mockford Scholarship** **See See Minnesota DNR**

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**Eagle Scholarship**

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**\$ 500**

Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: All Students  
Area: Greater Itasca Area  
Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**  
Criteria: This scholarship is designed for students attending a Christian-centered, faith based college, university, Bible College, or seminary.

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**Gary Ehalt "His Love For Animals" Scholarship**

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**\$ 500**

Awards Given: 2  
Student Type: All Students  
Area: Greater Itasca Area  
Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**  
Criteria: This scholarship is designed for a student planning to attend Veterinary School. Applicants may be traditional or nontraditional students. Any applicant who has graduated from a Greater Itasca Area High School is encouraged to apply. Graduates from Hill City High School may get priority.

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**Dede Emerson Scholarship**

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**\$ 1,000**

Awards Given: 3  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Grand Rapids High School  
Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**  
Criteria: The Dede Emerson scholarship was established for a Grand Rapids High School graduating senior enrolled in a two-year or four-year college, specifically pursuing a major in international business, veterinarian work or music. This scholarship is based on scholastic merit. Students interested in studying other or additional areas in humanities or liberal arts may be considered. Financial need may also be taken into consideration. Applications with a GPA of less than 3.0 will not be accepted.

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**Turna E Fletcher Scholarship** **\$ 1,000**

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Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Deer River High School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: Turna Fletcher was a second-grade teacher in the Deer River school district for many years. Friends and family established this scholarship in her memory in 1992. This scholarship is intended for a graduating senior in pursuit of an elementary education degree. An interest in improving the environment is an additional factor. This scholarship may take financial need into account.

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**Freestone Community Club Scholarship** **\$ 500**

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Awards Given: 2  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Grand Rapids High School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: Students interested in applying for this scholarship must meet the following criteria:  
1. Student must be graduating from Grand Rapids High School with at least a 2.0 GPA.  
2. One scholarship may be awarded to a male, and one scholarship may be awarded to a female.  
3. Priority is given to students who live in the Arbo (56-25), Bass Lake (56-26), Deer Lake (56-27) or Wabana (57-25) townships.

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**Bob Frick Memorial Scholarship** **\$ 500**

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Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Grand Rapids High School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: The Bob Frick Memorial Scholarship is intended for a student entering a vocational/technical program. Priority may be given to a graphic arts student.

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**Rose Ann Fritz Piano Scholarship** **\$ 500**

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Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Greater Itasca Area  
Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**  
Criteria: This scholarship was established in memory of Rose Ann Fritz and is designed for a graduating senior interested in studying piano in college. Please state your specific interest in piano (as opposed to general music) on your application in the "Additional Information and Attachments" box.

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**Max Fulton Forestry Scholarship** **\$ 1,000**

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Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: All students  
Area: Greater Itasca Area  
Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**  
Criteria: The Max Fulton Forestry Scholarship is intended for a student who is planning to major in Forestry at a 2 or 4 year college or university.

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**John & Francis Furlong Scholarship** **\$ 500**

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Awards Given: 2  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Grand Rapids High School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: The John & Francis Furlong Scholarships are offered in honor of John & Francis Furlong of Menomonie, Wisconsin. The recipients will be the applicants with the highest GPA who are enrolled in a post-secondary technical training program. Technical or vocational training is defined as training which does not lead to a bachelor's degree.

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**Rae Graham Memorial Scholarship** **\$ 500**

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Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Greenway High School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: The Rae Graham Scholarship is intended for a graduating senior from Greenway High School who is planning to major in business or education at a 2 or 4 year college or university. The applicant must be in the top 50% of the graduating class. You must include 2 letters of recommendation from a teacher, church or community leader with your application. **Applications must be turned into the guidance office at Greenway High School.**

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**Grand Itasca Clinic & Hospital Volunteer Services Scholarship** **\$ 1,500**

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Awards Given: 6  
Student Type: Nontraditional Students  
Area: Grand Itasca Clinic & Hospital Service Area  
Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**  
Criteria: The Grand Itasca Clinic & Hospital Volunteer Services, formerly the Auxiliary, began granting annual scholarships many years ago through income from the gift shop and coffee bar. Students interested in applying for this scholarship must:  

1. Have completed high school plus one year of college
2. Be committed to study in the field of health care
3. At least two (2) letters of recommendation from teachers and/or employees are required.

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**Grand Itasca Foundation Scholarship** **\$ 2,500**

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Awards Given: 6  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Grand Itasca Clinic & Hospital Service Area (Greater Itasca Area)  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: Students must be pursuing a career in the field of health care. A personal interview is required for this scholarship. Successful “pre-candidates” will be notified to schedule an interview.  
**Applications are accepted through the Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation’s online Scholarship Portal. Applications are accessed at the Community Foundation’s website: [www.gracf.org](http://www.gracf.org)**

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**Grand Rapids State Bank Financial Focus Scholarship** **\$ 500**

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Awards Given: 2  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Greater Itasca Area  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: The Grand Rapids State Bank Financial Focus Scholarship is awarded to 2, male or female, graduating seniors from the Greater Itasca area. The student receiving the scholarship must have a minimum GPA of 2.5. They must be attending a four year or two year college or university. This scholarship is given to students going into a Finance/business related field. **Provide a discussion about “How the scholarship will benefit you in your financial educational journey” in your application.**

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**Grand Rapids – Greenway Swimming Association Scholarship** **\$ 500**

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Awards Given: 2  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Grand Rapids High School and Greenway High School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: Students interested in applying for this scholarship must have a minimum 2.5 accumulative GPA, be planning to enroll in a vocational, community college or university and have participated in at least three (3) years of competitive swimming programs; preferably at the varsity level. **Include a brief essay (250 – 500 words) that discusses how swimming has impacted your life.**

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**Bill Gray Scholarship** **\$ 500**

Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Students who attended Southwest Elementary School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: The Bill Gray Scholarship is designed to support students who attended Southwest Elementary School. This scholarship looks at many areas of the student, including activities and goals and does not rely solely on academics. Recipients may attend 2-year, 4-year, vocational or technical schools. Top ranking academic students are not eligible for this award.

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**Sydney Gray Scholarship** **\$ 500**

Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Students who attended Forest Lake Elementary School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: The Sydney Gray Scholarship is designed to support students who attended Forest Lake Elementary School. This scholarship looks at many areas of the student, including activities and goals and does not rely solely on academics. Recipients may attend 2-year, 4-year, vocational or technical schools. Top ranking academic students are not eligible for this award.

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**Greater Itasca NOW Awards (Northland's Opportunity for Work)** **TBD**

Awards Given: TBD  
Student Type: All Students  
Area: Greater Itasca Area  
Criteria: The Greater Itasca NOW Awards are designed for anyone interested in furthering their job skills and opportunities, through certifications, trainings, degree and other programs. Applicants should have the intention of living and working in the Greater Itasca Area. The purpose of this award is to offer the opportunity for people to obtain training, certification or degree completion in a short period of time - fast track to work or a better job/pay - with minimal financial burden.  
**This award may pay full tuition and fees for your specific program.** Be aware of the importance of your story and explanations in your application. If you have questions about your application, please contact the Community Foundation at (218) 999-9100. This award is not intended to take the place of employer-offered training.

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**Greater Itasca STEM Scholarship** **\$ 1,000****FROM THE GIBBONS FAMILY FUND**

Awards Given: TBD  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Greater Itasca Area  
Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**  
Criteria: The Greater Itasca STEM Scholarship is designed for students pursuing education in the field of science, technology, engineering and/or math. Successful candidates will clearly describe their current situation, future goals and reasons for pursuing a career in a STEM field. Preference may be given to female applicants. **Past recipients seeking scholarship support for additional years need to explain, show or demonstrate advancement in their educational and/or other goals in the application.**

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**Greater Itasca VoTech / Community College Scholarship** **\$ 1,000****FROM THE GIBBONS FAMILY FUND**

Awards Given: TBD  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Greater Itasca Area  
Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**  
Criteria: The Greater Itasca VoTech / Community College Scholarship is specifically designed to support residents of the Greater Itasca Area who intend to further their education by attending a community college, vocational, or technical institution. Successful candidates will provide a clear story of who they are and why they want to advance their education. Preference may be given to female applicants. **Past recipients seeking scholarship support for additional years need to explain, show or demonstrate advancement in their educational and/or other goals in the application.**

**Greenway Spanish Scholarship****\$ 500**

Awards Given: 2

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: Greenway High School

Renewable: No

Criteria: The Greenway Spanish Scholarship is offered to a graduation senior from Greenway High School who successfully passed (or is currently enrolled in) the Spanish III course. While grades are important, this scholarship looks at the student as a whole. Successful candidates are students who display a love for the language, utilizing Spanish in and out of the classroom setting. The student's effort in class had a high priority in the selection criteria.

**Ed & Eleanore Gregerson Scholarship****\$ 10,000\***

Awards Given: 1

\$ 2,500 per year for 4 years

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: Grand Rapids High School

Renewable: Yes

Criteria: Students interested in applying for this scholarship must meet the following criteria:

1. Be a graduating senior from Grand Rapids Senior High School.
2. Be a member of Zion Lutheran church in Grand Rapids, MN
3. Be accepted to a two-year or four-year college or university (not a trade or vocational school).
4. **Provide an essay about how personal faith has made an impact on your life.**
5. An interview may be required.
6. Submit his/her college or university transcripts for approval prior to each subsequent semester scholarship payment.

**Hannula Aviation Scholarship****\$ 2,000**

Awards Given: 2

Student Type: All Students

Area: Greater Itasca Area

Renewable: No

Criteria: This scholarship is intended for a student interested in pursuing their private pilot license. It may be used for aviation related education or flight hours.

**Sulo Herrala Scholarship****\$ 400**

Awards Given: 1

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: Bigfork High School

Renewable: No

Criteria: Available to graduating Bigfork High School seniors, this scholarship was established in 1989 by Bigfork alumni donations. Financial status of the student will not be a factor. Students interested in applying for this scholarship must be an academic achiever with a "B" grade point average (3.0) or higher who is planning to attend a post-secondary institution as a full time student at a four-year college or vocational school.

**Hill City Area Community Scholarship****\$ 1,000**

Awards Given: 8

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: Hill City High School

Renewable: No

Criteria: This scholarship was established for graduating seniors from Hill City High School who are planning to attend a post-secondary institution.

**GJ Holt Family Scholarship (2015 – 2018)****\$ 4,000\***

Awards Given: 1 \$ 1,000 a year for 4 years

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: Bigfork High School

Renewable: Yes

Criteria: Students interested in applying for this scholarship must meet the following criteria:

1. A graduating senior from Bigfork High School planning to attend a post-secondary institution.
2. This scholarship is renewable for up to three (3) additional years for recipients, based on student progress and performance in college.

**Ruth L. Hurlbert Scholarship****\$ 500**

Awards Given: 1

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: Oak Hills Bible College

Renewable: No

Criteria: The Ruth Hurlbert Memorial Scholarship was established by Eileen and Kion Hoffman in memory of Eileen's mother, Ruth. This scholarship is designed to support students who attend the Oak Hills Bible College in Bemidji, Minnesota. **There is no application for this scholarship. The recipient is selected by Oak Hills College, and will be notified.**

**Barb James Memorial Scholarship****\$ 500**

Awards Given: 2

Student Type: Nontraditional Student

Area: MN – State-Wide

Renewable: Previous recipients may reapply

Criteria: Bernie Dehn, the proprietor of Lawrence Lake Liquors established the Barb James Memorial Scholarship Fund to provide educational support for persons who have stayed at GRACE House at some time in the past two (2) years. One award is given for the Fall semester, and one for the Spring.

**Lavona M. Jasper Scholarship****\$ 1,000**

Awards Given: 1

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: Greenway High School

Renewable: No

Criteria: The Lavona M. Jasper Scholarship is intended for a graduating senior from Greenway High School who is planning to major in education. A minimum grade point average of 3.0 is required. **Include an essay about: "What Qualities Do I Have that Make Me a Good Educator?"**

**Dr. & Mrs. Robert Kelly Scholarship****\$ 1,000****SPONSORED BY GRAND ITASCA FOUNDATION**

Awards Given: Up to 2

Student Type: Nontraditional Students (at least 25 years old)

Area: Grand Itasca Clinic & Hospital Service Area

Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**

Criteria: **This scholarship is intended for an individual who has earned at least a high school diploma and due to life or career circumstances, has experienced an "interruption" in their career path. The ideal candidate is someone who has decided to pursue a career track in the health care field.**

The candidate for the Dr. & Mrs. Robert Kelly Scholarship will be pursuing an education in a health science field, preferably enrolled at Itasca Community College. An interview is required. It is hoped that upon completion of his/her chosen academic program, the recipient of the Dr. & Mrs. Robert Kelly Scholarship will remain in the community to benefit the individuals within the Grand Itasca Clinic & Hospital service area. This is an ideal, not a requirement. If a student has successfully completed their core curriculum (course of study at ICC) and wishes to pursue career advancement in their field at another university, they may be eligible for consideration if they meet the scholarship criteria. You must include a copy of school transcripts that are valid within the last 10 years.

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**Frances Bartos King – James E. King Scholarship** **\$ 1,000**

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Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Greater Itasca Area  
Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**  
Criteria: This scholarship is designed to provide higher education (including colleges and universities, community and junior colleges, and in certain circumstances vocational schools) for female graduates of the high schools in Itasca Area. This scholarship may be used for any educational field of endeavor with the exception of any form of religious education, training or activities. The criteria for this scholarship include a record of academic achievement, potential for success.

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**Jennifer Koprowski Scholarship** **\$ 1,000**

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Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Grand Rapids High School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: The Jennifer Koprowski Scholarship is intended for a GRHS college-bound senior female swimmer who has shown dedication to the sport and leadership ability.

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**Kosak Family Scholarship** **\$ 1,000**

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Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Grand Rapids High School and Greenway High School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: Students interested in applying for this scholarship must:  

1. Be graduating from Grand Rapids High School or Greenway High School
2. Have participated in their high school hockey or golf team
3. **Include a one-page essay on parenthood or being a parent**

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**JW Kumpula Scholarship** **\$ 1,000**

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Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Nashwauk - Keewatin High School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: This scholarship was established for a Nashwauk – Keewatin High School senior who is planning to pursue a technical career in any field (except computer technology-related areas). This scholarship is geared more toward a well-rounded student with some financial need or ability to overcome barriers, rather than top GPA. Preference may be given to male students.

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**Latterell Family Memorial Scholarship** **\$ 500**

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Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Bigfork High School  
Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**  
Criteria: This scholarship is intended for a student graduating from Bigfork High School who is planning to attend a four-year public or private college or university (not vocational school). The top three students in the class are not eligible for this award. The scholarship is intended for a more “average” student. This award will not be based on financial need and may be for all four years. Past recipients must provide a transcript from the previous year.

**Beefy Lawson Memorial Award****\$ 500**

Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: Students graduating from the HCC Law Enforcement Program  
Area: Hibbing Community College Law Enforcement Program  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: The Beefy Lawson Memorial Scholarship is awarded to a student graduating from the law enforcement program at Hibbing Community College. The award usually takes place at graduation and is intended to provide financial support for entering the world of law enforcement. This award can be used for equipment and other work-related needs.

**Brad Lemke Scholarship****\$ 1,000**

Awards Given: 2  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Deer River High School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: The Brad Lemke Memorial Scholarships are two \$1,000 scholarships that are awarded to a Deer River High School senior. Brad was tragically killed in a motorcycle accident in August 2009. He was 38, and a husband and father of three children. Brad was a wonderful, caring man with an “inventor’s mind” and many patents to his name. He was known to repeatedly use his talents and resources to assist others. He valued people with strong integrity, drive to create and passion for life. Brad was a 1989 graduate of Deer River High School. He continued his education at Concordia University and Bemidji State, receiving a bachelor’s degree in industrial engineering. From there he joined the family business and helped propel ASV Inc. to great success. In life, Brad spoke many times of wanting to start a scholarship to support a young man or woman interested in pursuing a degree in engineering. To honor his memory and continue his legacy of giving, a scholarship fund has been established for a worthy Deer River student. The scholarship will be given on the basis of student initiative, aptitude in engineering, and strong teacher recommendation. Applicant must have a GPA of 2.5 or greater and no record of criminal activity during the past calendar year.

**Lyman Loveland Math & Science Scholarship****\$ 1,000**

Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: Traditional Students  
Area: Grand Rapids High School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: Understanding the importance of inspiring future leaders in the fields of math and science, the Lyman Loveland Math & Science Scholarship is offered to graduating seniors from GRHS. Applicants must be graduating from GRHS, in the Grand Rapids school system for at least 3 years and have at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA. While some consideration may be given to financial need, this scholarship will give preference to students who are more academically oriented and have taken more advanced math and science classes. **Clear discussion about America’s leadership role in advanced mathematics and science careers must be included in your application.**

**Magnetation Academic Excellence Scholarship****\$ 4,000**

Awards Given: 3 (Nashwauk-Keewatin and Greenway) and 3 (Grand Rapids)  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Nashwauk Keewatin, Greenway and Grand Rapids High School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: The Magnetation Academic Excellence Scholarship is awarded to graduating seniors from Nashwauk-Keewatin, Greenway and Grand Rapids High Schools. Applicants must have at least a 3.8 GPA and be well-rounded students. Participation in sports, activities and community will have a strong impact on application evaluation.



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**Terry & Muggs Matteson L & M Appreciation Scholarship** **\$ 2,000**

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Awards Given: 3

Student Type: Active L&M Employee or Immediate Family Member of an Active L&M Employee

Area: Minnesota & Wisconsin

Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**

Criteria: This scholarship supports active L&M employees and immediate family members planning to attend a MN or WI school interested in furthering or continuing his/her education and/or training. Students may attend technical training, a Vo-Tech, Community College or 4-year University. Past recipients who are awarded any additional scholarship must maintain a minimum GPA.

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**MDI Success at Work Scholarship** **\$ 500**

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Awards Given: 4

Student Type: **students must be on an IEP**

Area: MDI Communities: Minneapolis, Grand Rapids, Hibbing and Deer River

Renewable: No

Criteria: Intended mainly to help students transition from high school to work, the MDI Success at Work Scholarship is for education and training to help students gain the necessary skills to attain their full potential at a job. Priority may be given to students needing specific support to overcome physical or other barriers.

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**Dr. Jules O. Meyer & Ilo M. Meyer Medical Scholarship** **\$ 1,000**

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Awards Given: 1

Student Type: All Students

Area: Greater Itasca Area

Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**

Criteria: Dr. Jules Meyer spent most of his career in the military service, and was a practicing physician in Grand Rapids. Ilo Myer was a nurse who set up the Rural Nursing Program in Grand Rapids in 1946. This scholarship is intended to support students entering the medical profession by attending one of the following: Medical School, a Registered Nursing program, Dental School or Veterinarian School. This scholarship does not support students attending Chiropractic School.

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**Carl & Margaret Mickelson / Kiwanis Scholarship** **\$ 1,000**

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Awards Given: 1

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: Grand Rapids High School

Renewable: No

Criteria: The Carl & Margaret Mickelson / Kiwanis Scholarship is intended for a graduating senior from GRHS who is planning to further their post-secondary education, and who serves his/her high school and community above oneself. The applicant should demonstrate financial need, have a 3.0 GPA or better, and be active in extracurricular activities, community and church. Key Club and/or community service is heavily weighed. Priority may be given to students entering the field of education.

**Minnesota DNR Forestry Employees' Association****\$ 500**

SCHOLARSHIPS ARE USUALLY AWARDED IN JANUARY.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED THROUGH THE DNR (MN Department of Natural Resources).

Awards Given: 1

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: Minnesota: State-Wide

Renewable: No

Criteria: Students interested in applying for this scholarship must have a valid relationship with a current member of the Minnesota DNR Forestry Employees' Association. For more information, contact your local Minnesota DNR Forestry Employees' Association. Applications are not accepted through the Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation.

**Joe Mockford Memorial Scholarship****\$ 500**

SPONSORED BY THE MINNESOTA DNR FORESTRY EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION

SCHOLARSHIPS ARE USUALLY AWARDED IN JANUARY.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED THROUGH THE DNR (MN Department of Natural Resources).

Awards Given: 1

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: Minnesota: State-Wide

Renewable: No

Criteria: Students interested in applying for this scholarship must have a valid relationship with a current member of the Minnesota DNR Forestry Employees' Association. For more information, contact your local Minnesota DNR Forestry Employees' Association. Applications are not accepted through the Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation.

**Edgar R & Bess R Mullins Award****\$ 1,000**

Awards Given: 2

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: Greenway High School

Renewable: No

Criteria: Bess Mullins originally established the Mullins award in memory of her husband, Edgar. After Mrs. Mullins' death, her children, George and Judith, continued the scholarship in memory of both of their parents. Recipient selection is determined by the Greenway faculty and principal, recognizing one male and one female from the graduating class who demonstrate athletic involvement, scholarship, leadership, citizenship, and a well-rounded interest in community and school. **There is no application for this award.** The recipients (up to 1 male and 1 female) will be notified.

**Keith Newstrom Memorial Aviation Scholarship****\$ 2,500**

Awards Given: 1

Student Type: All Students

Area: Greater Itasca Area (Priority may be given to the Grand Rapids Area.)

Renewable: No

Criteria: The ideal candidate for this scholarship is interested in pursuing a career in aviation. This scholarship may be used for aviation related education or flight hours. Recipients are limited to one, \$2,500 scholarship and must attend an approved and accredited program.

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**Northern Minnesota Builders' Association Scholarship** **\$ 1,000**

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Awards Given: 2

Student Type: All Students and Dependents of NMBA members

Area: Northern MN Regional

Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**

Criteria: The purpose of the Northern Minnesota Builders' Association scholarship is to foster the building trade's future in Northern Minnesota by providing financial assistance for students pursuing a career in this field. Students interested in applying for this scholarship must meet one of the following two criteria:

1. A graduating high school senior from one of the regional area listed schools or a resident non-traditional student planning to attend a Minnesota post secondary school for a building trade career
2. A member of the NMBA (must be a member for at least one year prior to applying for scholarship) or the dependent of a NMBA member who is planning to attend a Minnesota college or vocational school to pursue a career in the building trades.\*(see below qualifying building trade careers). If applying through NMBA membership status, you must note the NMBA member's name and number on your application in the "Additional Information and Attachments 1" box.

\*The regional area listed schools are: Aitkin High School, Bigfork High School, Chisholm High School, Deer River High School, Falls High School, Grand Rapids High School, Greenway High School, Hibbing High School, Hill City High School, Littlefork - Big Falls High School, Nashauk - Keewatin High School, Northern Lights Community School and Northland High School. All charter and home schools in the area are included.

\*\*The qualifying building trade careers are: Carpentry (which includes, cabinet making, framing, finish carpentry, siding, & roofing), Plumber, Electrician (which includes residential or commercial low voltage but does not include Electrical maintenance), Concrete/Masonry, HVAC (Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning), Excavator/Heavy Equipment Operator, Construction Management, Drafting, Land Surveyor, Painter/Drywall Installer Note: All candidates must be citizens of the United States.

Two (2) scholarships are set aside for the "at large" area. Two (2) scholarships are set aside for dependents of NMBA members, if no applicants are received or qualify under this category, these scholarships will be granted to the "at large" area.

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**Northern Minnesota Builders' Association - The Builders' Group** **\$ 500**

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**SPONSORED BY THE NORTHERN MINNESOTA BUILDERS' ASSOCIATION**

The Builders' Group provides scholarships through the Northern Minnesota Builders' Association. The Builders' Group holds fundraisers and other activities to support and encourage advancement and education in the Building Trades

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**Northland Scholarships** **\$ 3,000\***

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This scholarship is a reoccurring award with a total value of \$3,000 over 4 years. The scholarship is pro-rated and "progressive", to supply higher award amounts for subsequent years in college, when you generally need more scholarship support.

Year 1: \$ 500, Year 2: \$ 750, Year 3: \$ 750, Year 4: \$ 1,000: Total Award: \$ 3,000

Awards Given: TBD

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: Northland High School Dist 118

Renewable: Yes

Criteria: This scholarship is awarded to well-rounded student candidates who have consistently demonstrated the desire to develop their character through involvement in both curricular and extra-curricular activities as well as community service throughout their high school career.

**Opportunity for the North Scholarship****\$ 12,000\***

Awards Given: 3 \$ 3,000 per year for 4 years

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: Grand Rapids High School

Renewable: Yes

Criteria: The Opportunity for the North Scholarship is offered to graduating GRHS students planning to attend a 4-year college or university with a 3.0 or better GPA. This scholarship is designed for well-rounded students with potential to excel in college, (not necessarily the top ranking). The Opportunity for the North Scholarship is just that – an opportunity. Heavy emphasis may be placed on the written portions of your application, especially your Letter of Introduction. One Recommendation Form must be from a high school instructor. Transcripts are required for subsequent semester renewals. **Applicants must include a personal letter of introduction that includes a discussion about why they are interested in attending college (in the essay section of the application)**

**Steven Pietila Memorial Scholarship****\$ 2,000**

Awards Given: 3

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: Deer River High School

Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**  
(No essay is required for past recipients; only application and transcripts.)

Criteria: The Steven Pietila Memorial Scholarship is intended for a graduating Deer River High School senior with a GPA of 3.25 or higher. Applicant must express their involvement in community and extracurricular activities. Past recipients must include a copy of their transcripts. All applicants must have at least 2 Recommendation FORMS submitted on their behalf.

**Bill & Ruth Powers Education Award****\$ 500**

Awards Given: 1

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: District 318

Renewable: No

Criteria: This scholarship is intended for students with a “B” grade point average (3.0) or better, who have enrolled in a two-year or four-year college or technical school to pursue a major in the field of arts and humanities.

**Bill Prigge Scholarship****\$ 600**

Awards Given: 1

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: Greenway High School

Renewable: No

Criteria: The Bill Prigge Memorial Economic scholarship was established by the Prigge family in memory of Mr. Prigge, a longtime President of the Bovey Bank and a community leader. This scholarship is intended for a graduating Greenway senior who is planning to attend a post secondary school with an emphasis in business or economics. The qualifying applicant must have a GPA of 2.5 or better. This scholarship may be based on need. Awards are determined according to the number and quality of applications received from Greenway seniors.

**Jerry Reed Scholarship****\$ 500**

Awards Given: 1

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: Deer River High School

Renewable: No

Criteria: Jerry Reed was a Deer River community activist, very involved with young people in the area. Friends and family established this scholarship in 1990 for a DRHS senior who is planning to attend college or vocational school.

**Myles Reif Memorial Scholarship (2012 – 2015)****\$ 4,000\*****THE NEXT AWARD FROM THIS SCHOLARSHIP IS IN 2016**

Awards Given: 1

\$ 1,000 per year for 4 years

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: Grand Rapids High School

Renewable: Yes

Criteria: The Myles Reif Memorial Scholarship is available to GRHS students who are in the top 10% of their class and intend to enroll in a four-year (or more) degree program in any physical science field at any institution of higher learning. This scholarship is renewable and offered once every 4 years. An interview is required.

**Dan Retka Memorial Scholarship****\$ 500**

Awards Given: 1

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: Grand Rapids High School

Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**

Criteria: Students interested in applying for this scholarship must:

1. Be graduating from GRHS and planning to enroll in a four-year university or college, studying engineering, construction management or environmental science
2. Have at least a "B" grade point average (3.0 GPA or better)

Recipients may have the option to reapply after the first year.

**Alan Seagren Memorial Scholarship****\$ 500**

Awards Given: 1

Student Type: All Students

\*Traditional students must have at least 30 college credits, preferably obtained through a PSEO (Post Secondary Education Opportunity) program

Area: Northern MN Regional

Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**

Criteria: Alan Seagren was a local advocate for recreational safety programs including snowmobiles and ATVs. Alan's family and friends have established this scholarship in his memory.

Students interested in applying for this scholarship must:

1. Intend to become a Minnesota State Conservation Officer
2. Have successfully earned at least 30 higher educational credits (successfully completed at least 1 year of higher education)
3. Plan to attend a two or 4-year program from an accredited Professional Peace Officer Education Program (PPOE).

**There are 3 different ways in which you can become a Conservation Officer (CO). You are eligible to apply for this scholarship if you have completed at least the first year of a Degree, Certificate, Reciprocity or Military Reciprocity program.**

**Degree Program**

**Step 1:** Complete a two or four year Law Enforcement or Criminal Justice degree through a Professional Peace Officer Education program

**Step 2:** Pass the POST Licensing Exam

**Timeline:** Approximately two to four years minimum depending on program

**Certificate Program**

**Step 1:** Possess a two or four year degree in any discipline

**Step 2:** Complete a two or four year Law Enforcement or Criminal Justice degree through a Professional Peace Officer Education program

**Step 3:** Pass the POST Licensing Exam

**Timeline:** Approximately nine months or more depending on student

**Reciprocity or Military Reciprocity**

**Step 1:** Meet the requirements for reciprocity

**Step 2:** Pass the POST Reciprocity Licensing Exam

**Timeline:** Approximately two months to finish qualification procedure and testing

**Reciprocity Information**

There are two ways to qualify for reciprocity.

1. Complete basic police training in a state other than Minnesota or federal law enforcement, and work in a law enforcement capacity for three years following basic training and possess a post-secondary degree; or five years following basic training if you do not possess a post-secondary degree. You must have been in law enforcement within the past six years.
2. Qualify through military police service in the U.S. military.  
To find out if you are eligible, submit an application for reciprocity. For more information, contact the Minnesota DNR or the MN Board of Peace Officer Standards and Trainings at: <http://www.dps.state.mn.us/newpost/reciprocity.asp>
4. Be a resident of one the following counties: Aitkin, Carlton, Itasca, Koochiching, or Western St. Louis
5. Attach your transcripts (PSEO students must include both college and high school transcripts)

**John Setterberg Memorial Scholarship****\$ 500**

Awards Given: 2

Student Type: Graduating High School Students

Area: Deer River High School

Renewable: No

Criteria: The John Setterberg Memorial Scholarship is offered to one male and one female student at Deer River High School with high academic achievement (GPA greater than 3.5/4.0) and record of participation in sports. While there are no specific additional attachments, it is in the applicant's best interest to be clear about future goals and write about personal experience / the importance of setting and maintaining high standards and goals. **A separate application is required through Deer River High School.**

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**Betty Shannon Scholarship (for Itasca Community College) \$ 1,000\***

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Awards Given: 1 \$ 500 per year for 2 years  
Student Type: All Students  
Area: Greater Itasca Area  
Renewable: Yes (two year)  
Criteria: The Betty Shannon scholarship is intended for a student pursuing and/or involved in the field of Nursing. This scholarship is renewable and provides an award for 2 years (recipient must show successful, progressive academic work in Nursing at ICC)

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**Betty Shannon Scholarship (for The College of St. Scholastica) \$ 2,000\***

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Awards Given: 1 \$ 1,000 per year for 2 years  
Student Type: All Students  
Area: Greater Itasca Area  
Renewable: Yes (two year)  
Criteria: The Betty Shannon scholarship is intended for a student pursuing and/or involved in the field of Nursing. This scholarship is renewable and provides an award for 2 years (recipient must show successful, progressive academic work in Nursing at the College of St. Scholastica)

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**Brad Smith Memorial Scholarship \$ 500**

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Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Deer River High School  
Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**  
Criteria: Brad was an outstanding athlete, excelling in track. Brad was 4<sup>th</sup> in the State in the 400 meter dash. He was also active in his community. The intent of the Brad Smith Memorial Scholarship is to honor Brad's commitment to excellence. The recipient of this scholarship will demonstrate Brad's values of commitment to self and community through involvement and dedication.

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**Robert Stoyke Memorial Scholarship \$ 250**

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Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Deer River High School  
Renewable: No  
Criteria: Established in 1997, the Robert Stoyke Scholarship was a memorial to a former Deer River High School band director. This scholarship is intended for a Deer River graduating senior, planning to attend a four-year college, who has participated in band and/or choir for a minimum of two (2) high school years, including the senior year. Financial need may be taken into consideration.

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**The Voice of Democracy (MN District 8) from \$50 - \$ 30,000**

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The Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation partners with the Voice of Democracy Scholarship Program to administer scholarships for local recipients.

The VFW offers many Youth & Education Programs

**Voice of Democracy**

Student Type: Grade 9-12 Students

**Patriot's Pen**

Student Type: Grade 6-8 Students

**Teacher of the Year**

\$ 1,000 for Professional Development & \$1,000 for his/her school

VFW in the Classroom

Contact your local VFW post

<http://www.vfw.org/Youth/>

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**Erling & Fran Willadson Scholarship \$ 500**

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Awards Given: 1  
Student Type: Graduating High School Students  
Area: Grand Rapids High School  
Renewable: **PAST RECIPIENTS MAY APPLY**  
Attachments: None Required  
Criteria: This scholarship is for one year. Past recipients have the option to reapply, however second year/additional support is based on school performance and availability of funds. Students interested in applying for this scholarship must be planning to attend a vocational or technical school program.

# Conditions, Understandings and Other Information:

## **IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EVERY SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT TO:**

1. Understand and follow the terms and conditions of his/her specific scholarship award
2. Submit a Scholarship Processing Form
3. Submit all other materials in a timely manner
4. Keep his/her contact information up-to-date in the Scholarship Portal
5. Notify the Community Foundation of any pertinent status changes, such as a change in his/her field of study or school of attendance

## **REOCCURRING SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS:**

It is the responsibility of every recipient who has a reoccurring scholarship award to submit a copy of his/her current, cumulative school transcript at the end of each semester. Scholarship checks are held until receipt of your transcript.

## **FAILURE TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OR FOLLOW INSTRUCTION CAN RESULT IN LOSS OF SCHOLARSHIP.**

<p><b>TRANSCRIPTS ARE REQUIRED WITH ALL HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS. AN ACTIVITIES FORM IS REQUIRED WITH ALL HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS.</b></p>
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No scholarships may be used for reimbursement and are intended for use only at accredited institutions, unless specifically noted. The Community Foundation reserves the right to modify any award amount, date or other criteria at any time due to legal, fund or market conditions. Due to time and publication issues, this may not be a complete or up-to-date listing. The most timely and accurate information is on our website at: [www.gracf.org](http://www.gracf.org). For more information, contact the Community Foundation at (218) 999-9100, or speak with your Guidance Councilor or Financial Aid Office.

♦ March 15 is the general deadline for scholarships administered by the Community Foundation. READ ALL CRITERIA AND INFORMATION FOR EACH LISTING AS SOME SCHOLARSHIPS HAVE A SEPARATE APPLICATION AND DEADLINE.



# Policy

## for Scholarships at the Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation

**Purpose:** To provide policy and procedure relating to the Scholarship Program within the Community Foundation. This policy is necessary to account for the time, money and commitment made by our donors in establishing these scholarships, as well as the time and effort it takes for Community Foundation staff to administer scholarships. The scholarship program requires intensive effort to administer and these policies are designed to make this program as efficient and effective as possible.

### I. Annual Scholarship Cycle:

- A. Applications: All application forms are on-line and available on the GRACF Website
  - 1. Starts: January 15; all applications, resources and information will be posted on the GRACF website and ready for people to apply
  - 2. Deadline: March 15 (midnight)
- B. Application Processing: Internal scholarship processing begins on March 16 (or the first working day after March 15). *Applications, forms and other materials will not be accepted after March 15.*

### II. For Applicants/Students:

- A. **Deadline:** On-line scholarship application submitted March 15
- B. Upon receipt of scholarship, the recipient is provided Processing Forms either in-person at a scholarship presentation, or via telephone or email.
  - 1. **Deadline:** Scholarship Processing Form Submitted July 15
  - 2. **Deadline:** Scholarship Processing Form for Alternate Recipient Submitted Nov 15
  - 3. *Scholarship Processing Forms will not be accepted after the deadline(s).*
    - a). It is the responsibility of the RECIPIENT to submit his/her Scholarship Processing Form before the deadline.
    - b). If the recipient's Scholarship Processing Form has not been received by the July 15 deadline, the scholarship will be awarded to the pre-selected alternate recipient(s) or returned to the fund according to the response of the Scholarship Evaluation Committee.

### III. Reoccurring Recipients

- A. It is the responsibility of reoccurring recipients to submit his/her cumulative transcripts at the end of each semester.
- B. Transcripts do not have to be "official", but must contain the name of the school, student and student ID
- C. Transcripts must be submitted electronically through the Scholarship Portal
  - 1. **Deadline:** 1<sup>st</sup> Semester Transcripts Submitted January 15
  - 2. **Deadline:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Transcripts Submitted July 15
- D. Subsequent scholarship awards will not be sent without receipt of transcripts.

### IV. Alternate Recipients: Alternate Recipients must comply with the same policy, terms and conditions as regular Recipients with the exception of the Scholarship Processing Form deadline (Nov 15).

- A. If an alternate recipient was selected, the full year payment will be remitted with the "Second ½" payments.
- B. If the Alternate Recipient's Scholarship Processing Form has not been received by the November 15 deadline, the scholarship will be returned to the fund.

### V. For Donors:

- Deadline:** Scholarship Funds deposited with GRACF March 15

**VI. For Committees:** Selection of recipients will be submitted to GRACF specifically noting the understanding of policy and the provision for alternate recipients for the year.

**VII. For GRACF:** (this coincides with most institution's financial aid deadlines)

- A. Scholarship checks will be sent out according to the Processing and Payment Schedule.
- B. Approved scholarships not meeting a Processing and Payment Schedule deadline will be processed with the next available date.
- C. If exceptions were made, payments will be processed and sent out according to the same GRACF Scholarship Processing and Payment Schedule.
- D. An automatic reminder (via email) will be sent out to recipients through the Scholarship Portal.

**VIII. GRACF Scholarship Processing and Payment Schedule:**

- A. **Deadline:** First ½ payments processed 1<sup>st</sup> week August
- B. **Deadline:** First ½ payments sent to schools 1<sup>st</sup> week August
- C. **Deadline:** Second ½ payment processed 1<sup>st</sup> week December
- D. **Deadline:** Second ½ payment sent to schools 1<sup>st</sup> week January
- E. **Deadline:** Alternate Recipient Payment processed 1<sup>st</sup> week December
- F. **Deadline:** Alternate Recipient Payment sent to schools 1<sup>st</sup> week January
- G. Exceptions for alternate payment dates can be made on a case-by-case basis to better fit with a unique institution's financial aid schedule. Notice must be provided by the recipient to GRACF in writing at least 2 weeks prior to any approved payment being processed. Preference is that the alternate payment dates be submitted on the Scholarship Processing Form.

**IX. Exceptions** to this policy will be on a case-by-case basis and will only apply to students who have received an official GRACF deferment, are in a current military service commitment or have experienced a crisis\* in the immediate family (self, parent/guardian, sibling) within the last three (3) months. [\*Crisis includes serious illness (not chronic), death in the immediate family or birth of a child (to self or partner), house fire or significant change in employment.]

**X. Approval and Review:** This policy shall take place with majority vote of the Board of Directors. A review of this policy shall take place at least every five (5) years from the date of approval. **APPROVED: 12/02/2014**