



## **Rotary Club of Colonial Park Foundation**

### ***Rotary Club of Colonial Park Scholarship***

**2020**

#### **Name**

The name of this award shall be the Rotary Club of Colonial Park Foundation ("Foundation") Rotary Club of Colonial Park Scholarship ("award").

#### **Purpose and who is eligible**

This scholarship is for graduating seniors from Dauphin County Technical School, Central Dauphin East, Central Dauphin High School, Bishop McDevitt High School and Harrisburg Christian School entering any degree program at an accredited post-secondary educational institution. This is a one-year scholarship. The source of funds for this scholarship is from the Rotary Club of Colonial Park Foundation. The Foundation will receive this donation from the Rotary Club of Colonial Park and will then be responsible for distribution and follow-up to a qualified candidate/s under the following terms. There can be one (1) student selected from each of the five (5) participating schools as listed above.

#### **Amount**

This is a one-year scholarship if all criteria are met. The amount of the award for an academic year can be up to one thousand (\$1,000) including tuition, fees, books and/or program expenses. The recipient of the scholarship must have a financial need. Income that is not awarded shall accrue and be available for future distribution(s) at the discretion of the Foundation. Scholarships are based upon funds being received each year from the donor and could be subject to change.

#### **Terms of Award**

There can be one (1) student selected from each of the five (5) participating schools as listed above.

The Foundation shall give consideration to students meeting the following criteria:

Students must have unmet financial need. Students must be enrolled full time in college to be eligible.

The student must show proof to the Foundation that he or she has been accepted to an accredited post-secondary educational institution with a minimum of six (6) credits for each semester before the scholarship shall be awarded. The student must maintain a 3.0 GPA overall while attending college. The student may be a recipient of another scholarship.

The scholarship recipient must send a transcript of their semester grades to the Foundation to show a 3.0 GPA or better to continue to receive award funds for the next semester. The recipient shall submit the invoice from the college to the Foundation for direct payment to the college they are attending. Funds will be issued on a semester basis for an amount up to five hundred (\$500) for tuition and fees, (or less if the semester costs are less) at the beginning of each semester to the college in the student's name. If any funds remain after payment of tuition and fees, the student may be reimbursed for textbooks upon submission of proper documentation. The total award for tuition, fees and textbooks will not exceed five hundred (\$500) per semester. At the completion of the first semester the student may apply for another award up to five hundred (\$500) for the next semester if all requirements are met. Any cost to the individual student over the scholarship award will be the responsibility of the student.

The Foundation will review all applications prior to the beginning of each school year and prior to the start of the following semester. Timelines will be given to the student receiving the award with dates applications are due for the next semester.

*If there is no activity in this scholarship award for one (1) year from date student is notified they have been awarded the scholarship, the scholarship will terminate, and no funds will be released from that date forward.*

Scholarships shall not be awarded to any member or immediate family member or relative of the Rotary Club of Colonial Park or the Rotary Club of Colonial Park Foundation.

### **Criteria**

This scholarship is based on the following areas in order:

- 1) Proof of admittance into a college degree program, 2) Financial need, 3) school service, 4) community service, 5) academic achievement with a minimum GPA of 3.0

### **Application Process**

Students shall apply via typed hard copy only. Applications are available through each school's guidance office or on-line to download at [www.colonialparkrotary.org](http://www.colonialparkrotary.org) . Applications cannot be submitted through the web site. Applications must be typed or completed on the web site, printed and submitted in hard copy. Each application form shall be completed by the student and shall also include the following:

- 1) Final approved FAFSA form OMB 1845-0001, Electronic Student Aid Report (SAR) and list the Effectuated Family Contribution; 2) an official current transcript of the student's grades with a minimum of a 3.0 GPA; 3) a letter of recommendation from the student's guidance counselor; 4) list other awards the student has applied for; 5) a letter of recommendation from two individuals in the community, not related to the applicant nor educators, who have known the student for a minimum of five years; 6) an essay of up to 300 words why the student needs the financial assistance and how obtaining a college degree will contribute to the student's life aspirations; 7) describe in 300 words or less what major you will be taking, why the student would like to study in this program and how it fits within the student's future goals and (8) a letter of acceptance into a college degree program. Include any experiences (e.g. work, research, leadership, or extracurricular) that have been important to the student. Failure to submit any of the above documents will result in elimination of the application.
- 2) The student might be asked to meet with the scholarship committee for a personal interview and will be informed of the meeting time and location. The student must be accepted into a degree program as listed in the Purpose before the scholarship will be awarded.



**Financial Information**

**Attach complete final approved FAFSA form OMB 1845-0001, Electronic Student Aid Report (SAR)**

Number of family member's \_\_\_\_\_

Number of siblings in college \_\_\_\_\_

EFC as listed on FAFSA \_\_\_\_\_ **(Completed Federal Student Aid FAFSA must be attached)**

List colleges in order of preference to which you have applied. Indicate if you have been accepted.

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ Accepted Yes\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_ Accepted Yes\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_ Accepted Yes\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

What will be your major in college? \_\_\_\_\_

**Application Dates**

Application along with all documentation for the "award" will be due no later than **April 1, 2020**. Information about this scholarship can be found on the Rotary Club of Colonial Park website ([www.colonialparkrotary.org](http://www.colonialparkrotary.org)). Applications for the second semester will be announced each year on the Rotary Club of Colonial Park website as listed above.

**Selection Committee**

The committee shall consist of a maximum of three (3) individuals from the Rotary Club of Colonial Park.

**Additional Requirements to Receive Scholarship**

The student who receives this award is also required to attend the presentation of the award at the May 20, 2020 meeting of the Rotary Club of Colonial Park. Also, any other meeting of the Rotary Club of Colonial Park requiring the student attendance will be given to the student at the beginning of each semester. Each student will be asked to share with the club what this award has meant to them and provide an update each semester of the student's activities and status in writing.

**Submission of Application**

Please forward your 2020 application in **typed hard copy only** before **April 1, 2020** to: Rotary Club of Colonial Park Foundation, Rotary Club Scholarship, 5901 Jonestown Road, PO Box 126213, Harrisburg, PA 17112. Scholarship applications **postmarked and received** after 5:00 pm April 1, 2020 **will not be considered**.

### **Checklist of items to be submitted with application**

- All parts of the application must be typed
- Scholarship application completed form
- Federal Student Aid FAFSA – complete document including Effectuated Family Contribution
- Copy of high school transcript with a minimum 3.0 GPA
- A letter of recommendation from the student’s guidance counselor
- A list of other scholarships the student has applied for
- A letter of recommendation from two individuals in the community, not related to the applicant nor educators, who have known the student for a minimum of five years
- An essay of up to 300 words why the student needs the financial assistance and how your college degree will contribute to your life aspirations
- College/s you have applied to and which ones you have been accepted to as of date of this application
- Letter of acceptance from college attending
- An essay of up to 300 words what major you will be taking, why the student would like to study in this program and how it fits within the student’s future goals.

**Failure to submit any of the above documents will result in elimination of the application**

**NO STAPLES ARE TO BE ATTACHED TO THIS APPLICATION**

**Complete application must be typed**