

THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION  
of Shelby County  
**2024 Scholarships Available**  
for Current College Students/Adults

## Scholarships listed by deadline date

### March 14, 2024 Application Deadline

#### Parent is an employee of Sidney Electric or Area Energy and Electric

##### **Herbert H. & Antoinette V. Schlater Scholarship**

- ◆ A parent must be employed by either Sidney Electric Co. or Area Energy & Electric for a minimum of two years prior to January 1, 2024.
- ◆ Preference is given to a graduating high school senior; however, an older student may apply. Must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0. This requirement will not apply if the applicant has not attended high school or a post-secondary college within the last two years. Must be enrolling in adult education, a trade school or pursuing a two-year or four-year degree.
- ◆ Selection based upon: Financial need; academic ability; community, religious, and school service; recommendations.
- ◆ **Awards for 2024: One \$2,500 to a Sidney Electric Co. employee's child and one \$2,500 scholarship to an Area Energy & Electric employee's child**

#### Education

##### **Vera DoLean Ginn Kiwanis Scholarship**

- ◆ A Shelby County resident pursuing a career in elementary education. Must have a high school or college GPA of no less than 3.5 and are pursuing a certificate or an Associate's, Bachelor's or Master's degree.
- ◆ Selection based upon: Intent to pursue the field of elementary education, financial need, academic ability, community and school service, recommendations.
- ◆ **Award for 2024: Two \$1,000 scholarships**

## Skills Scholarships

##### **Bob Sargeant Skills Scholarship**

- ◆ Adults or graduating seniors who reside in the School Districts of Shelby County, Ohio, who are enrolling in an accredited adult educational program or trade school or pursuing an Associate's Degree shall be eligible to apply.
- ◆ Selection based upon (in order of priority): Demonstrated interest and passion for a specific career path, demonstrated work experience, demonstrated community or school service and recommendations.
- ◆ **Award for 2024: One \$2,000 scholarship**

##### **Donald E. and M. Jane Kemp Trade School Scholarship**

- ◆ Adults or graduating seniors who reside Shelby County, Ohio or in the School Districts of Shelby County, Ohio, who are enrolling in an accredited adult educational program or trade school or pursuing an Associate's Degree shall be eligible to apply.
- ◆ Selection based upon (in order of priority): Demonstrated interest and passion for a specific career path, demonstrated work experience, demonstrated community or school service and recommendations.
- ◆ **Award for 2024: Four \$3,000 scholarships**

##### **Tom and Sandy Shoemaker Skills Scholarship**

- ◆ Adults or graduating seniors who reside Shelby County, Ohio or in the School Districts of Shelby County, Ohio, who are enrolling in an accredited adult educational program or trade school or pursuing an Associate's Degree shall be eligible to apply.
- ◆ Selection based upon: Demonstrated interest and passion for a specific career path, demonstrated work experience, demonstrated community and school service, and recommendations.
- ◆ **Award for 2024: One \$1,000 scholarship**

## **Botkins High School Graduates/Residents**

### **Jim and Pat Dietz Scholarship - Skills**

- ◆ Adults or graduating seniors who reside the Botkins Local School District of Botkins, Ohio shall be eligible to apply. If there are no eligible applicants residing in the Botkins Local School District, then adults or graduating high school seniors who reside in the school Districts of Shelby County, Ohio shall be eligible.
- ◆ Must be planning to attend an accredited adult education program or trade school or pursuing up to an Associate's Degree, where the completion of coursework satisfies requirements leading to a skilled profession.
- ◆ Selection based upon: Demonstrated interest and passion for a specific career path, demonstrated work
- ◆ **Award for 2022: Two \$1,000 scholarships**

## **Christian Academy, Lehman Catholic and Sidney High Schools**

### **Bruce and Lynn Lindsey Skills Scholarship**

- ◆ Adults or graduating seniors from Lehman Catholic High School, Sidney Christian Academy, and Sidney High School who are enrolling in an accredited adult educational program or trade school or pursuing an Associate's Degree shall be eligible to apply.
- ◆ Selection based upon (in order of priority): Demonstrated interest and passion for a specific career path, demonstrated work experience, demonstrated community or school service, and recommendations. Preference given to applicants seeking a career in HVAC, plumbing or electrical.
- ◆ **Award for 2024: Two \$2,000 scholarships**

## **May 30, 2024 Application Deadline**

## **Fairlawn**

### **Robert & Thelma Sargeant Past Graduate/Adult School District Resident Scholarship**

- ◆ Past graduates or current adult residents of the Fairlawn School District may apply.
- ◆ Selection based upon: Financial need, academic ability, community and school service, recommendations. Must be enrolling in adult education or trade school or pursuing a two-year or four-year degree.
- ◆ **Awards for 2024: Several scholarship awards up to \$4,000 totaling \$37,000**

## **Fort Loramie – Fort Loramie Education Foundation**

### **Madeline Maurer Scholarship**

- ◆ Ft. Loramie High School graduate at least one year removed from high school who has surpassed college freshman status, is pursuing an education degree and maintains a GPA of no less than 2.75
- ◆ Selection based upon: demonstrated school or community service, recommendations, with at least one being from an educator, an assigned essay, academic ability, financial need and employment history
- ◆ **Awards for 2024: One \$1,000 scholarship**

### **James F. and Marcia L. Schulze Scholarship**

- ◆ A Ft. Loramie High School alumnus who attended Ft. Loramie schools at least two years and is a full time college student who has surpassed college freshman status. Students must be pursuing an ABET accredited Bachelor's degree within a College of Engineering (majors such as Engineering, Computer Science, Engineering Technology, or others) at an Ohio institution. Must have a cumulative GPA of no less than 2.7.
- ◆ Selection based upon: Academic ability; school and community service; and recommendations.
- ◆ **Awards for 2024: Two \$2,000 scholarships, renewable for up to two (2) additional years**

## **Sidney**

### **Larry Hawkins Family Scholarship - Alumnus**

- ◆ A Sidney High School alumnus who is currently enrolled beyond the first year in an adult education school, trade school, or a 2-year or 4-year college or university, located within the state of Ohio, who will be enrolled in the coming academic year. Only individuals maintaining a college cumulative GPA of 2.8 or greater are eligible.
- ◆ Selection based upon: Financial need, academic ability, demonstrated community and school service, and recommendations.
- ◆ **Award for 2024: One \$2,500 scholarship**

### **Virginia and Richard Matz Scholarship**

- ◆ Sidney High School past graduates who are pursuing an Associate's Degree or Bachelor's Degree in healthcare at an accredited educational institution, is a year removed from high school and has surpassed college freshman status.
- ◆ Eligible applicants must have a grade point average of no less than 3.5 on a 4.0 scale.
- ◆ Selection based upon: Financial need, demonstrated community and school service, recommendations, and academic ability.
- ◆ *Award for 2024: Two \$3,500 scholarships*

### **Sidney High School Alumni Scholarship**

- ◆ Sidney High School past graduates.
- ◆ Selection based upon: Financial need; academic ability; community, religious, and school service; recommendations. Must be enrolling in a trade school or pursuing a two-year or four-year degree.
- ◆ *Awards for 2024: One \$1,000 scholarship*

## **Countywide**

### **James P. Humphrey, Black Achievers Scholarship**

- ◆ African-American student and prior recipient of the James P. Humphrey Scholarship. Must have an accumulative GPA of no less than 2.0 and/or have a significantly improved academic record.
- ◆ Selection based upon (in order of priority): Financial need, academic ability, demonstrated community and school service, and recommendations (must submit two letters, one from a school representative and one from a community representative), and an interview.
- ◆ *Awards for 2024: Varies*

## **Agricultural**

### **Adam E. Huelskamp Scholarship**

- ◆ A college student who resides in school districts in Shelby, Auglaize or Mercer County, Ohio.
- ◆ A 4H or FFA member for a minimum of 4 years combined.
- ◆ Selection based upon: Demonstrated community and school service, financial need, employment history, and an additional essay of no less than 100 words and no more than 200 words on a designated topic.
- ◆ *Award for 2024: One \$1,000 scholarship*

## **Arts**

### **Dr. Edward and Anne Link Scholarship**

- ◆ Shelby County residents maintaining a college GPA of not less than 3.0 and are pursuing a major in visual arts, performing arts, or creative writing toward a Bachelor's or Master's degree. Applicants must have completed at least one year of post-secondary education. No recipient may be awarded this scholarship more than once.
- ◆ Selection based upon: Academic ability, community and school service, and recommendations.
- ◆ *Award for 2024: One \$2,500 scholarship*

## **Education**

### **Kent R. Smith Scholarship**

- ◆ Shelby County, Ohio, resident who has surpassed college freshman status with a college cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. Student must be pursuing a Bachelor's or Master's degree in the field of education at an accredited college or university.
- ◆ Selection based upon: Academic ability, financial need, demonstrated community and school service, and recommendations.
- ◆ *Award for 2024: Various amounts up to \$20,000 in scholarships*

## **Law**

### **Law Student Assistance Scholarship**

- ◆ Students entering their third year of law school (current second year students approaching the third year)
- ◆ Graduate of a high school in Shelby County or an abutting county and a permanent resident of Shelby County or an abutting county. Eligible Ohio counties: Auglaize, Darke, Champaign, Logan, Mercer, Miami and Shelby.
- ◆ Selection based upon: Financial need, above-average law school academic achievement, and demonstrated leadership in undergraduate and law school activities and in community, school and church.
- ◆ Preferential consideration given to applicants who are married and have children and those who indicate a desire for the general practice of law in a rural or county-seat setting.
- ◆ *Award for 2024: Up to \$3,500 in scholarships*

## **Medical Field**

### **Betty Lee Riggs Hughes Nursing Scholarship**

- ◆ A Shelby County resident pursuing a Registered Nursing degree. Eligible persons must be a year removed from high school and have surpassed college freshman status. A GPA of no less than 3.0 is required. Licensed RN's are not eligible for continuing education.
- ◆ Selection based upon (in order of priority): Demonstrate the empathy, compassion and the requisite patience in order to enjoy and devote oneself to a long and fruitful nursing career, financial need, academic ability, recommendations, demonstrated community and school service.
- ◆ **Award for 2024: One \$1,000 scholarship**

### **Medical & Health Professions Scholarship**

- ◆ Graduates of high schools within Shelby County or residents of any public school district within Shelby County, who are no less than one year removed from high school and have surpassed college freshman status with a grade point average of no less than 2.75 on a 4.0 scale (or comparable standing if a different grade scale is in use). Individuals who have not been enrolled in high school or a post-secondary program within the last two years need not comply with this requirement. Applicants must be pursuing a certificate or an Associate's, Bachelor's, or Master's degree in medical and associated health professions. Doctoral degree students are not eligible.
- ◆ Selection based upon (in order of priority): Financial need, academic ability, community and school service, and recommendations.
- ◆ **Awards for 2024: Two \$1,500 scholarships**

### **Catherine Moloney Nursing Scholarship Fund**

- ◆ A Shelby County resident pursuing a Registered Nursing degree. Eligible persons must be one year removed from high school and surpassed college freshman status. Licensed RN's are not eligible for continuing education.
- ◆ Selection based upon: Financial need; academic ability; demonstrated "empathy which is necessary, the compassion which is required, and the requisite patience in order to enjoy and devote oneself to a long and fruitful nursing career."
- ◆ **Award for 2024: One \$1,000 scholarship**

### **Heidi Norris Scholarship**

- ◆ Auglaize, Shelby or Mercer County residents majoring in Respiratory Therapy or a closely related field who are one year removed from high school, surpassed college freshman status and, have maintained a college GPA of not less than 2.5, and who are pursuing an Associate's, Bachelor's, or Master's degree.
- ◆ Selection based upon: Financial need, academic ability, community and school service, and recommendations.
- ◆ **Award for 2024: One \$1,200 scholarship**

### **William B. and Bonnie Z. Swonger Nursing Scholarship**

- ◆ A Shelby County resident who is a graduate of any high school within Shelby County and is pursuing a Registered Nursing degree. Eligible persons must be one year removed from high school and surpassed college freshman status. Licensed RN's are not eligible for continuing education.
- ◆ Selection based upon: Financial need and academic ability.
- ◆ **Award for 2024: Four \$1,000 scholarships available**

Please note: The information on these sheets is intended to briefly inform about available scholarships and is not a complete explanation of the requirements of individual scholarships. Award amounts, the number of available scholarships and application deadlines are subject to change. We apologize for any errors in the above information.

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