



POUGHKEEPSIE HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS...
CHECK OUT THE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FROM THE
COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS

Visit www.communityfoundationshv.org for local scholarship opportunities. You can search by high school or county to see available scholarships. Hundreds of thousands of dollars will be awarded this spring. April 1st is the deadline for most scholarships.

☐ **Acacio "Roger" Rodrigues Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship is available to graduating high school seniors who reside in Dutchess, Putnam or Westchester County, or Fairfield County, CT, and plan to study in a field which will lead to a career in the building/construction industry. The scholarships will be awarded to individuals who will be full time students at any accredited vocational school, college or university in the U.S. Minimum scholarship award is \$2,000.

☐ **Andy Vito/Harold Tompkins/Ron Vece Scholarship**

Established by the Hudson Valley Umpires' Association, this scholarship is available to Dutchess County high school graduates who have played high school baseball. Several scholarships will be awarded.

☐ **Applewood Leadership Scholarship**

The scholarship is available for incoming Dutchess Community College students of African or Caribbean descent who are residents of the City of Poughkeepsie and are 21 and under. Applicants must be current or former students at Poughkeepsie High School. Recipients of this scholarship will be part of the Applewood Leadership for High Achievement (ALPHA) Initiative at Dutchess Community College. Funds shall be used for educational purposes.

☐ **Barbara and John F. DeGilio Science Scholarship– For Poughkeepsie High School Students Only!**

In recognition of John's 50 years as an educator and his 70th birthday and to honor Barbara's memory, former students, family, friends and neighbors of the DeGilos' established a fund to provide scholarships to college-bound graduating seniors of Poughkeepsie High School who plan to pursue a career in science. One \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded.

☐ **Charles S. North Scholarship for Music & Art**

Established by the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce to encourage the pursuit of music and arts in education, this scholarship is available to any high school senior who is a resident of Dutchess County, and is pursuing a degree in musical performance, music/art education or visual arts at an accredited college or university in the United States. One \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded.

☐ **Cosimo DiBrizzi Culinary Arts Scholarship**

Established by the family of Cosimo DiBrizzi and the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce to honor his memory, this scholarship is available to any resident of the Hudson Valley who is pursuing a career at the Culinary Institute of America. Several scholarships will be awarded ranging from \$1,500 to \$3,000.

☐ **David Jagaciewski Scholarship – For Poughkeepsie High School Students Only!**

Established by family and friends in memory of David Jagaciewski who passed away in 2006. Applicants must be graduating seniors from Poughkeepsie High School, have a C+ average or better, pursue a course of study and plan to have a career in the arts, architecture or engineering, interior or fashion design, family or consumer science or landscape architecture. One \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded.

☐ **Dennis J. Markle Memorial Scholarship**

Established by the family and friends of Dennis Markle, the scholarship is available to a graduating student of Poughkeepsie or Millbrook High School planning to major in Education (students planning to major in History will be considered if there is not an appropriate candidate who intends to major in Education). One \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded.

☐ **Doherty-Package Pavement Company Scholarship**

Students continuing their education beyond high school, whose parents or guardians have been employed by one of the companies (Package Pavement Company, Inc., Red Wing Properties, Inc., or Stormville Trucking, Inc) for at least 3 years, are eligible to apply. Scholarship is not renewable, but winners may apply in up to 4 subsequent years. Scholarships range from \$1,000-\$3,000.



☐ **Eileen Hickey Nursing Scholarship**

Established by the family of Eileen Hickey and the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce to honor her memory, this scholarship is sponsored by The Pines at Poughkeepsie and is available to any resident of Dutchess County who is pursuing a career in nursing at a college in NY state. A minimum of one \$1,500 scholarship will be awarded.

☐ **Elena Eckert Memorial Scholarship**

Established by her son Billy to honor his mother, the scholarship is available to Dutchess, Orange, Putnam and Ulster County high school seniors who are the children or grandchildren of current or former armed forces members, police officers or corrections officers. One \$1,500 scholarship will be awarded.

☐ **Frank Thomas Groff Scholarship (4 year)**

The scholarship is for members of the Roman Catholic Church who are graduating seniors of a high school in Dutchess County. The scholarship shall be applied to tuition costs of completing an Associate or Baccalaureate degree at an accredited college, or university in the U.S. One scholarship will be awarded every other year in odd number years **(offered next in spring 2021).**

☐ **George A. and Catherine V. Quill Scholarship**

Through the thoughtfulness and generosity of George A. Quill and his wife Catherine V. Quill, this scholarship is not necessarily intended for those students with the highest GPA, but rather intended for students who must apply themselves to prosper, or those who are able to demonstrate financial need. Graduating seniors from Beacon High School, John Jay High School, Roy C. Ketcham High School, Poughkeepsie High School, or Newburgh Free Academy are eligible to apply. Several \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded. Must have a recommendation from a member of the clergy.

☐ **Honorable Anthony L. Pagones Memorial Scholarship**

Through the generosity of friends and the community, this scholarship honors the life of the Honorable Anthony L. Pagones who grew up in Beacon and dedicated his life to serving the people and places of the area. A scholarship will be awarded to a Dutchess County graduating senior with a preference for a Beacon resident, who has the intention to study law, political science/government or criminal justice. One \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded.

☐ **Hudson Valley Financial Professionals Scholarship Fund**

Established by the Hudson Valley Financial Professionals, one scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior from a Dutchess County high school who wishes to pursue a career in the financial services industry at any accredited college or university. One \$500 scholarship will be awarded.

☐ **Hudson Valley Guns and Hoses Scholarship**

Established by Hudson Valley Guns and Hoses, a scholarship is available to paid or volunteer firefighters or law enforcement officers (or an immediate relative of a paid or volunteer firefighter or law enforcement officer) who are college bound or currently enrolled undergraduate or graduate college students in Dutchess, Orange, Putnam and Ulster Counties. The scholarship will be awarded to individuals who will be either a full time undergraduate or matriculated graduate students at any accredited college or university or vocational school in the U.S. who plan to major in Criminal Justice, Fire Science, Public Administration or related fields. Three \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded.

☐ **Jean DeGrace Crandall Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship was set up as a memorial to Jean DeGrace Crandall, educator and friend to the migrant community. An annual scholarship will be awarded for post-secondary assistance to a migrant farmworker or child of a migrant farmworker from Mexico with a history of migration to Ulster, Dutchess, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, or Westchester Counties.

☐ **Jennifer Coudrey Memorial Scholarship**

Established by WRRV, this scholarship will be awarded to a young women in the Hudson Valley who shares Jen's positive attitude, desire to help others and determination to work hard pursuing a career in physical therapy. One \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded.

☐ **John J. Csizmar Memorial Scholarship– For Poughkeepsie High School Students Only!**

Provides a scholarship to one male student and one female student graduating from Poughkeepsie High School who demonstrate good character and financial need. Two \$3,500 scholarships will be awarded.

☐ **Joseph H. and Mildred C. McManus Scholarship (4 year)**

Scholarships are available to graduating seniors or recent graduates of high schools in Dutchess County. The scholarship is for tuition costs at an accredited college for a period not to exceed four years. Students must maintain a "B-" or equivalent GPA to continue receiving funds while attending an undergraduate institution. Several scholarships of \$1,500 will be awarded.



□ **Juan Lafuente Leadership Scholarship**

Established by the family of Juan Lafuente and the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce, this scholarship memorializes Juan who lost his life during the attacks on September 11. This scholarship is available to any resident of Dutchess County. Awards are based on student's demonstration of: academic achievement-especially in the areas of math and science; leadership contributions to school and community; and character. Students must attend an accredited NY State college, university or trade school. A minimum of one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded.

□ **Kathleen H. Zwissler Memorial Scholarship**

Established by Adams Fairacre Farms to honor her memory, this scholarship is available to seniors graduating from high school and students currently enrolled in accredited academic institutions and who works at or whose parents or guardians are employed by Adams Fairacre Farms. One \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded.

□ **Leslie C. and Irene G. Roe Athletic Scholarship**

This scholarship was created to provide a multi-year award for Dutchess County students who have demonstrated outstanding athletic skills and will attend a NYS Community College (CUNY) or public College/University (SUNY). Minimum scholarship award is \$1,500.

□ **Luigi and Elisa Panichi Memorial Scholarship**

Established by the family of Luigi and Elisa Panichi to honor their memory, this scholarship is available to seniors graduating from high school and students currently enrolled in accredited academic institutions including 4-year public and private colleges or universities, community colleges and trade schools whose parents or guardians are employed by Panichi Holding Corp. d/b/a Royal Carting Service Co. or Valley 82 Holding Corp. d/b/a Welsh Sanitation Service. Scholarships range from \$500- \$1,500.

□ **Marjorie A. Rifenburg Scholarship**

The scholarship is available to provide assistance with college expenses to individuals of Native American descent. Graduating seniors of Dutchess County high schools and students enrolled in Dutchess County colleges are eligible to apply. The scholarship shall be applied to tuition costs at an accredited college, university or trade school. The scholarship can be up to \$4,000. Award is not renewable but winners may reapply in subsequent years.

□ **Mary Abdoo Fashion Memorial Scholarship**

Established by the family of Mary Abdoo and the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce to honor her memory, this scholarship is available to any resident of the Hudson Valley who is pursuing a career in fashion at Marist College. One \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded.

□ **Michael P. Murphy Public Service Scholarship**

Established by the Dyson Foundation in honor of its' friend and board member, Michael P. Murphy, and supported by his family, friends and colleagues, the scholarship is for a graduating senior from Millbrook High School, Our Lady of Lourdes High School or Poughkeepsie High School who has demonstrated leadership in and a passion for giving back to their community and will attend an accredited college or university. A minimum of one \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded.

□ **Miles of Hope Breast Cancer Foundation Scholarship**

This scholarship assists students residing in Columbia, Dutchess, Greene, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Sullivan, Ulster or Westchester counties who have been affected by breast cancer in some way. Scholarship awards vary from \$2,000-\$5,000.

□ **Pawith Educators Scholarship– For Poughkeepsie High School Students Only!**

This scholarship is not necessarily intended for those with the greatest scholastic ability, but is intended for those who have demonstrated a strong work ethic, an ability to succeed in their chosen course of study and have demonstrated a strong record of community service. The scholarship will be awarded to graduating Poughkeepsie High School seniors who will be at least half-time students at any accredited educational institution in the U.S. One \$500 scholarship will be awarded.

□ **Poughkeepsie High School Class of 1958 Scholarship– For Poughkeepsie High School Students Only!**

Established by the Poughkeepsie High School Class of 1958, this scholarship is available to graduating high school seniors of Poughkeepsie High School. This scholarship is not necessarily intended for those with the greatest scholastic ability, but is intended for those who must apply themselves to prosper. At least one \$500 scholarship will be awarded.



□ **Richard W. Mitchell Memorial Scholarship**

Established by family to honor the memory of Richard W. Mitchell, former President and CEO of the then Poughkeepsie Area Chamber of Commerce, with support from the Hudson Valley Young Professionals, this scholarship is available to residents of Dutchess County who are faced with significant economic, physical, developmental or emotional barrier(s) while advancing their education. Participants of the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce and Chamber Foundation workforce development and leadership programs are encouraged to apply. The student must be attending an accredited NY State college, university or trade school. Several \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded.

□ **Ronnie Berg Drummers Scholarship**

Established in memory of gifted drummer Ronnie Berg, this scholarship is available to graduating high school seniors and/or students already in college who share Ronnie's enthusiasm for drumming. The scholarship will be awarded to individuals who will be full time students at any accredited college or university in the U.S. One scholarship of \$1,000 will be awarded.

□ **St. Stanislaus Knights of Columbus Scholarship**

Established by the St. Stanislaus Knights of Columbus to provide a scholarship to a graduating senior attending an accredited technical school or pursuing a baccalaureate or associate's degree at an accredited two or four year college. Must be a child or ward of a contributing member of St. Stanislaus Parish or active and contributing member of St. Stanislaus Knights of Columbus for two years. One \$500 scholarship will be awarded.

□ **Stephanie D. Brown and Barbara M. Murphy Memorial Scholarship**

Established by the family of Stephanie Brown and Barbara Murphy to honor their memories. Stephanie was devoted to children and was tragically killed in a car accident. Barbara was a devoted mother to Stephanie, a Board member of the Community Foundations and held many job titles including that of teacher. This scholarship is available to female Dutchess County high school graduating seniors who intend to major or minor in Education with career plans to teach in Elementary, Middle or High School. The scholarship ranges from \$1,000-\$2,000.

□ **Steven and Linda Lant Family Scholarship for Business and Finance**

Established by the Lant Family, this scholarship is available to any Dutchess County high school senior or Dutchess Community College student entering an accredited bachelor's degree program with a major in business, finance or economics at a SUNY or NYS community college. Financial need is considered. Up to four \$2,500 scholarships will be awarded each year.

All scholarships, including complete guidelines and applications, are available through the scholarship search feature on our website: communityfoundationshv.org.

The Community Foundations of the Hudson Valley is a public charitable organization in Dutchess, Putnam and Ulster Counties whose mission is to strengthen our community by offering donors the means to establish charitable legacies, by grant making to local nonprofits and schools, giving scholarships to college bound youth, and by providing leadership to address community needs in a manner that is responsible, responsive, and lasting.



Components of a Good Application:

- Essay
 - Write about the subject matter that is listed
 - Tie your essay to that specific scholarship (personal touches help it to stand out in the crowd)
 - Use spell check and follow proper grammar and punctuation rules
 - Proofread (at minimum read it out loud to yourself; have a friend, family or teacher look it over)
- Transcript
 - Obtain a copy from the school you currently attend, usually from a guidance counselor
- FAFSA (Free Application for Student Aid)
 - Fill government FAFSA form out in order to be eligible for financial aid
 - Can be time consuming
 - Based on your most recent tax information
 - Student Aid Report (SAR), generated from a completed FAFSA, indicates amount of financial aid for which you are eligible
 - Expected Family Contribution (EFC) usually located in upper right corner of SAR
- Letters of Recommendation
 - Should be from employer, teacher, guidance counselor, coach, and/or clergy member.
 - Should not be from a relative
 - Personalize to that specific scholarship when possible.
- Resume
 - Should include: employment history, extracurricular activities, volunteer work and honors/awards.

Additional Sources for Scholarships:

Our website is just a starting point. Investigate all possible sources of assistance for which you may be eligible. Look into the following other possible sources:

- Guidance counselor/department
- Hometown newspapers: especially in April, May and June, often list scholarships given in the area. (Contact sponsoring organization for more information)
- House of worship (see if either the local or national organization offers any student aid programs)
- Local civic and fraternal organizations (ex: Rotary Club, Masons, Lions Club, Garden Club, etc.)
- Religious groups
- Veterans' posts (many local, state and national units sponsor some scholarship programs, especially for members' children).
- Employers (you or your parents)
- Labor unions or trade and professional associations (check to see if you or your parents are members)
- Military affiliation (children of active or veteran service members)
- State Department of Higher Education
- College Financial Aid Office

The most important thing to remember is that if you don't apply you cannot receive most scholarships. So apply!

Questions? Please contact scholarships@communityfoundationshv.org or 845-452-3077.