

New Directions Scholarship Fund

The Community Foundation of West Texas

The Community Foundation of West Texas, formerly the Lubbock Area Foundation, is the community foundation for the entire South Plains area. It was in 1981 to help donors meet the existing and future needs of the area's educational, health, cultural, civic and charitable organizations. The Foundation's scope goes beyond social service and welfare; our donors are improving the overall quality of life in the South Plains area.

The Foundation administers a variety of charitable funds, including scholarships to assist area students with post-secondary educational expenses. The Foundation is pleased to administer the *New Directions Scholarship Fund*, which is described below.

Purpose:

This scholarship is intended for a student pursuing a post secondary education. The Foundation requires a copy of the student's transcript at the end of the first semester.

Eligibility Requirements:

These are competitive awards with the primary areas of qualifications being:

1. New Directions graduating senior
2. Student planning to pursue a post secondary education
3. Financial need may be considered
4. Academically motivated

Selection Process:

1. The Scholarship Advisory Committee will review completed applications and make recommendations to the Community Foundation of West Texas Board of Directors, which will make the final decision on the scholarship awards.
 - a. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
2. The Selection Committee will be comprised of school counselors and other knowledgeable persons.
3. The recipient will be announced by April 25th.

Scholarship Fund Disbursement:

1. Scholarships will be awarded based on the availability of funds, and may be used for tuition, fees and required books.
2. Scholarships will be paid to the institution of the recipient's choice, and not directly to the recipient.
3. The amount of the award may cover all, or only a portion of the student's actual cost and all unused funds must be returned to the Community Foundation of West Texas.

Application Requirements:

All scholarship applications must be completed in full and submitted by **April 15th**.

1. Completed Application Form
2. High School Transcript
3. 2 Letters of Recommendation from the student's high school faculty or counselors

Applications should be turned in to the senior counselor.

***Please do not send the first two pages in with your completed application.**

New Directions Scholarship

Date to begin school: _____

GENERAL INFORMATION – (Please type or print)

Mr. ____ Miss ____ Full Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Social Security Number _____ Date of Birth: _____

Name of Student's Father (if applicable): _____
(If father is deceased, please indicate)

Father's Home Address: _____

Father's Employment: a) Title: _____

b) Name of Employer: _____

Name of Student's Mother (if applicable): _____
(If mother is deceased, please indicate)

Mother's Home Address: _____

Mother's Employment: a) Title: _____

b) Name of Employer: _____

EDUCATIONAL PLANNING

College or Universities to which you have applied:

1. _____ Accepted: Yes ____ No ____

2. _____ Accepted: Yes ____ No ____

Intended Major: _____

What career are you planning to pursue? _____

Where do you plan to live during the upcoming academic year? On-Campus ____ Off-Campus ____

With Parents/Family ____ Other(explain) _____

Do you expect to work during the academic year (including work study)? Yes ____ No ____

If so, how many hours per week? _____ Employer Name: _____

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Other High Schools Attended: _____

Current GPA (7 high-school semesters): _____ Is this a weighted average? Yes ___ No ___

Class Rank: _____ out of _____

OTHER STUDENT INFORMATION

Please list any special honors and awards received:

Please list your extra curricular activities (in and out of school):

I hereby certify that the information I have provided in this application is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I give the Community Foundation of West Texas permission to contact any of my teachers, counselors, or educational institutions to gain further information if needed. I understand that the information in this application will be shared with the scholarship selection committee.

Student Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

**Misrepresentation in any statement may be considered reason for cancellation and repayment of scholarship.*

How did you hear about our scholarships?

School Counselor/Financial Aid Office: _____

Newspaper: _____

Website: _____

Other: _____