

Woman~to~Woman Scholarship

The Community Foundation of West Texas

The Community Foundation of West Texas, formerly known as the Lubbock Area Foundation, Inc. is an independent, non-profit, publicly-supported, tax-exempt organization founded 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 Community Foundation of West Texas administers a variety of charitable funds. Recognizing the importance of scholarships, especially with decreasing dollars for education at the federal level and increasing educational costs for students, the Foundation is pleased to administer the *Woman-to-Woman Scholarship Fund*, which is described below.

The Woman-to-Woman Scholarship

The purpose of this scholarship is to provide a source of education support for women who reside in the South Plains area, who are 50 years of age or older, and find themselves in need of additional education or vocational training in order to obtain employment or to make a needed change in their current employment situation. Scholarships generally range from \$200 to \$500 and past recipients are eligible to reapply. The funds can be used for tuition, books and fees only and are paid directly to the college/university or vocational training program.

Eligibility Requirements:

Women who are 50 years of age or older and who reside in the South Plains area may apply for assistance through the Woman-to-Woman Scholarship Fund. These are competitive awards with the primary areas of consideration being:

- ❖ Need for education or training to either enter the workforce or to make a needed change in their current employment situation;
- ❖ Financial need; and
- ❖ Current enrollment or application for admission to a college/university for an undergraduate degree or vocational training program.

Selection Process:

- ❖ The Scholarship Advisory Committee will review completed applications and make recommendations for funding to the Community Foundation of West Texas Board of Directors. You may be asked to come in for a personal interview.
- ❖ **Incomplete applications will not be considered.**
- ❖ The Board of Directors of the Community Foundation of West Texas will make final decisions on the scholarship awards.

Scholarship Fund Disbursement:

- ❖ Scholarships will be awarded based on the availability of funds, and may be used for tuition, fees and required books.
- ❖ Scholarships will be paid to the institution of the recipient's choice, and not directly to the recipient.
- ❖ 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 Procedures:

All scholarship applications must be completed in full and submitted by **June 30th** (for fall semester), and **November 15th** (for spring semester).

In addition to the application, the following information is **required**:

- ❖ Please have two people (of no relation) write letters of recommendation and submit them with your application.
- ❖ Verification of enrollment or a copy of the letter of acceptance from the college or university should be submitted with the application if possible, or immediately upon receipt of such acceptance. An unofficial transcript if you are already attending school.
- ❖ You must reapply or update your application for each semester that you would like to be considered for this scholarship.

Applications should be sent to:

**Woman-to-Woman Scholarship Fund
Community Foundation of West Texas
6102 82nd Street 8B
Lubbock, TX 79424**

Woman-to-Woman Scholarship Application

GENERAL INFORMATION – (Please type or print)

Name _____ Marital Status _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Sex _____ Social Security Number _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age now: _____

(PLEASE NOTE: APPLICANT MUST BE 50 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER TO QUALIFY.)

Current Employer (if applicable) _____ Work Phone _____

Position _____

Employer's Address _____ Current Salary _____

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Please list your last three jobs, your job titles and dates of employment.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

PERSONAL REFERENCES

Please list the name, address and phone number of two persons (family excluded) who have agreed to provide a personal reference for you and attach a letter from them to the Foundation supporting your application. Examples may include professors, employers, ministers, etc.

Name *Mailing Address* *Phone*

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION

(This section must be fully completed for your application to be considered.)

List names and ages of all other residents in household:

Name	Relationship	Age
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Monthly Household Income

List known or estimated monthly income in the semester for which this application is made.

From Your Employment	\$ _____
From Other Members of Household	\$ _____
From Any Other Source (alimony, child support, etc.)	\$ _____
Total Monthly Household Income from All Sources	\$ _____

Estimated Monthly Household Expenses

List known or estimated monthly expenses for the semester for which this application is made.

Housing/Utilities	\$ _____
Transportation	\$ _____
Food/Clothing	\$ _____
Medical/Insurance	\$ _____
Childcare:	\$ _____
Other: _____	\$ _____
Total Monthly Household Expenses	\$ _____

ACADEMIC FINANCIAL PLANNING

Indicate what your academic expenses will be for the semester/quarter for which you are applying for this scholarship. This scholarship may be applied to tuition, books and fees only. Please submit a copy of the tuition and fee schedule from your school. You must reapply or update your application for each semester/quarter for which you wish to be considered.

Semester (*Check One*): Spring ____ Fall ____ School Year: _____

Status: Full-time _____ Part-time _____ # of Hours: _____

Tuition/Fees: \$ _____ Books: \$ _____

Student Financial Aid:

List all sources of financial aid you intend to receive for the semester/quarter this application will be considered. If you are not applying for these sources please indicate so with "N/A". If you have applied but do not know the amount of your award please indicate with "unknown".

From Loans \$ _____

From Scholarships \$ _____

From Pell Grants or other grants \$ _____

From Other Sources \$ _____

Total Semester/Quarter Financial Aid \$ _____

EDUCATIONAL HISTORY

List the high schools and colleges you have attended and the dates attended:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Are you in school now? _____ If yes, where? _____

EDUCATIONAL GOALS

Have you been accepted to a program leading to a degree or certificate? _____

What school will you be attending? _____

What degree or certificate are you pursuing? _____

Anticipated completion date: _____

