



SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

EMPOWERING THE DREAM OF EDUCATION

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Through a Scholarship Fund at The Columbus Foundation, you make the dream of higher education a reality for students.

THE COLUMBUS FOUNDATION works with you to establish the scholarship that achieves your unique charitable goals.

GETTING STARTED IS EASY.

A Scholarship Fund is a personalized fund you create to help others advance their education. With the assistance of our staff, you determine scholarship guidelines, including eligibility criteria, award amount, and selection committee.

It takes \$50,000 to open your Scholarship Fund. We also require a minimum balance of \$10,000 in the fund. As a benefit to our donors, your scholarship can be part of our general online scholarship application that allows students to fill out one application for many of our scholarship funds!

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I created the Long-Twyford Family Scholarship Fund as a memorial to my parents, whose number one priority was education—a belief they instilled in me. I feel I have fulfilled the promise and hope my parents had for me and believe that, through this scholarship, I can give back to the area my family is from.”

— **LONG-TWYFORD FAMILY**
GERALDINE FERGUSON



KEY BENEFITS

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Scholarship Funds are an ideal choice if you want to help students achieve their educational goals. Key benefits include:

EASY

You determine the scholarship purpose and selection criteria, and we manage the details and administrative paperwork to ensure that awards are disbursed on time and in accordance with the process you identify.

FLEXIBLE

Add to your fund at anytime. The Columbus Foundation can accept gifts of many types of assets, including cash, stock, real property, mutual funds, and closely held business interests. Your fund will only award scholarships to eligible recipients, selected by the committee you designate. This ensures that your giving goals and educational priorities are met.

PERSONAL

Your fund is established according to your values and goals—from the eligibility requirements to the award purpose—you create the criteria and guidelines. Scholarships are often created in honor or in memory of a loved one.

EFFICIENT

We handle the administrative tasks of your fund—from keeping track of your gifts and awards to contacting recipients and their schools—all for a competitive administrative fee. Each year, our scholarship manager coordinates the scholarship application, recipient selection, and payment process in its entirety.

BENEFIT

Eligible recipients will find your scholarship fund through a scholarship search tool located on the Foundation's website.

CONSIDER A SCHOLARSHIP FUND IF YOU:

- **Seek simplicity and ease in your giving**
- **Want to support educational opportunities, an educational institution, or a course of study**
- **Want to be engaged in your philanthropy by creating guidelines and eligibility for recipients**
- **Want to honor or memorialize a loved one**
- **Wish to create a legacy of generosity toward educational endeavors**
- **Choose to invest in the future of our community by offering students the support they need to achieve their educational goals**

INCREASE THE POWER OF YOUR GIVING

Access information about your fund via The Giving Store 24 hours a day, at columbusfoundation.org. The Giving Store is your one-stop shop for easy and effective philanthropy. Search more than 1,200 area nonprofits, view your fund summary and giving portfolio, access personalized nonprofit recommendations based on your interests, and suggest a grant to the nonprofit of your choice.

ABOUT THE COLUMBUS FOUNDATION

The Columbus Foundation serves nearly 3,000 individuals, families, and businesses that have created unique funds and planned gifts to make a difference in the lives of others through the most effective philanthropy possible. The Columbus Foundation is **Your Trusted Philanthropic Advisor**® and is among the top ten largest community foundations in the United States.

WE'RE HERE TO HELP!

Learn more about The Columbus Foundation by visiting us online at columbusfoundation.org or in person at 1234 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43205. Please contact one of our Donor Services advisors by calling 614/251-4000 or emailing dsd@columbusfoundation.org.