



## Community Foundation of Wabash County

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## Press Release

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### Applications now available for Community Foundation Scholarships

Don't miss your chance to apply for college money! A new scholarship has been added to the common application thanks to generous and thoughtful donors in the community. Applications for a variety of 2007 scholarships offered through the Community Foundation of Wabash County are available in guidance counselors' offices, at the Foundation and online at [www.cfwabash.org](http://www.cfwabash.org). A number of these scholarships are available to both traditional and non-traditional students. Traditional students are those who will be graduating from high school during the current school year; non-traditional students are those who graduated from high school prior to the current school year.

While students should refer to the official application materials for a complete description of Community Foundation scholarships, a brief summary of the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship and scholarships that require the Community Foundation's Common Application are listed below.

**Important Note:** The **College Cost Estimator** must be filled out by those applying for all of the scholarships administered by the Foundation. Filling out the College Cost Estimator form also allows applicants to participate in the **free** College Cost Estimator Service, provided by the National Center for College Costs, which helps Wabash County students and their families find ways to make college affordable.

#### Full-Tuition Lilly Endowment Community Scholarships

The Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship provides full-tuition scholarships to two Wabash County students planning to pursue a baccalaureate degree at any accredited four-year Indiana college or university. Traditional and nontraditional students are welcome to apply. The scholarships also cover requisite fees and up to \$800 per year for required books and equipment. The Lilly Scholarship program is administered through a grant to the Indianapolis-based Independent Colleges of Indiana. An anonymous committee of Wabash County residents will select the two winners from among eligible applicants.

To be eligible, an applicant must be a current resident of Wabash County, graduate from high school by the end of June 2007, enter the fall semester of 2007 as a freshman, and have a GPA equivalent of 8.0 or better on a 12.0 point system. Other considerations are listed on the application.

*The completed application and all attachments—including the College Cost Estimator form—are due in the high school counselor's office by January 10, 2007. Applications for nontraditional students must be turned in to the Community Foundation by January 15, 2007.*

#### Community Foundation Common Application Scholarships for Traditional Students Only

- **Briannon Joelle Curless Memorial Scholarship** (minimum \$500) 2007 Southwood High School graduates, with a minimum "C" GPA or its equivalent are eligible. Selection will be based on financial need, a demonstrated desire to serve others and a commitment to academic performance.

- **The Gerold “Doe” Faudree Athletic Scholarship Endowment** (minimum \$500) 2007 Manchester High School (MHS) graduates who plan to pursue a four-year degree as well as a career in coaching and teaching. An accumulated GPA of 8.25/11.0 or equivalent is required, and athletic ability, academic performance, leadership skills, moral and ethical standards, and financial need are considered. Non-renewable.
- **Dick Harvey Memorial Scholarship** (minimum \$200) 2007 MHS graduates who are residents of Chester or Pleasant Township, pursuing a four-year undergraduate degree and a career in teaching. Selection will be based on academic performance, financial need, extra-curricular activities and other aspects of the application. Non-renewable.
- **The V.A. (Viv) Simmons Scholarship Endowment** (minimum \$500) 2007 Manchester High School graduates who plan to enroll full-time in a four-year degree program at an accredited institution of higher learning. An accumulated GPA of 8.00/11.0 or equivalent is required. Outstanding performance in academics, leadership, service and upstanding character in community and school life are requirements for consideration. Non-renewable.
- **The Harvey V. Underwood Science Scholarship Endowment** (minimum \$300) 2007 MHS graduates who plan to pursue a four-year degree program in life or physical science or science. The award is for full-time study, and an accumulated GPA of 7.00/11.0 or equivalent is required. Selection will be based on academic performance, especially in science; financial need; school and community involvement; citizenship; and character. Renewable.

#### **Community Foundation Common Application Scholarships for Traditional and Non-Traditional Students**

- **\*New\* Robert & Pauline Hoover Scholarship** (minimum \$1,000) The Robert and Pauline Hoover Scholarship was established in 2007 following the death of Robert, as part of his estate plan. Robert was a Chester Township native engaged in farming and banking. Eligible candidates must have graduated from any high school in Wabash County prior to July of the current school year. Candidates must be pursuing an undergraduate degree from an accredited institution of higher education. The scholarship is for full-time or part-time study. A person who has received this scholarship previously may reapply. Selection will be based on academic performance, community service hours, service organization leadership, as well as all information gained from the application.
- **John L. Eckert Memorial Educational Scholarship** (minimum \$1,000) 2007 Southwood, Huntington, Rochester or MHS graduates who have maintained a GPA of 8.0/11.0 or the equivalent. Candidates must be pursuing a four-year undergraduate degree in public education with the degree leading to a career as a public school teacher or administrator. Selection will be based on financial need, academic performance, extra-curricular activities and a statement from the applicant indicating why he/she is pursuing the field of education. Renewable.
- **Kevin M. Jones Memorial Scholarship** (minimum \$200) For little brothers or little sisters in the Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Wabash County program. Persons who have graduated from an accredited Wabash County high school or have attained a GED prior to July of 2007 and are pursuing higher education from an accredited Indiana institution offering post secondary education are eligible. The candidate will be selected based on financial need, community service, academic performance and work experience. Renewable.
- **Joseph G. & Earleen Ulery Memorial Scholarship** (minimum \$250) Graduates of Wabash High School prior to July of 2007. This scholarship provides tuition or housing payments to graduates who would like to continue the study of art, music, dance, and/or drama. Non-renewable.
- **George W. and Donna Mae Russell Scholarship** (minimum \$500) Graduates of an accredited Wabash County high school prior to July 2007 with an accumulated “C” GPA average or higher. The scholarship is for full- or part-time study. Non-renewable.

- **The Wabash County Society for Crippled Children & Adults Scholarship Endowment** (minimum \$500) MHS, Northfield, or Southwood high school graduates (prior to July 2007) who plan to enroll as a first-year student in a four-year degree program at an accredited Indiana institution of higher learning are eligible. Students currently attending college and non-traditional students may also apply. An accumulated GPA of 3.0/4.0 or equivalent is required. Applicants should have an interest in pursuing an education that supports work with children and/or adults who have learning disabilities or who are mentally and/or physically disabled. The main selection criteria are academic performance and financial need. Renewable.
- **The Wabash County Solid Waste Management District Environmental Studies Scholarship Endowment** (\$1,000) Wabash County residents of two years or more who plan to pursue an environmental studies bachelor's degree on a fulltime basis at an accredited Indiana institution of higher learning are eligible. The scholarship will be awarded to a student whose educational goals and chosen career field most closely match the mission of the scholarship, which is to reduce landfill disposal through integrated solid waste management and related environmental strategies, specifically emphasizing waste reduction, reuse, and recycling. Financial need also will be considered. Renewable.
- **Wabash High School Class of 1951 Scholarship** (minimum \$250) Graduates from any accredited Wabash County high school (prior to July of 2007) that plan to pursue a two- or four-year undergraduate degree from an accredited Indiana institution of higher education as a full-time, first-year student. An accumulated GPA of 2.75/4.0 or equivalent is required. Financial need will be considered. Renewable.

Traditional students may obtain scholarship applications from their high school guidance office or the Community Foundation. Applications for non-traditional students are available from the Community Foundation. Applications also can be downloaded from [www.cfwabash.org](http://www.cfwabash.org). To ensure consideration, applicants should carefully read the scholarship application, complete the application as requested, and meet the application deadline.

*All scholarship applications and attachments are due to the counselor's office by January 10, 2007. Applications for non-traditional students must be turned in to the Community Foundation office by January 15, 2007. Other scholarships listed in the Financial Aid Scholarship Handbook may offer applications from different locations and have different application deadlines!*

***Applicants interested in the scholarship program should contact their school guidance counselor or the Community Foundation of Wabash County.***

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