

2021 Scholarship Opportunities

How to Apply

1. Review this Scholarship Opportunities Packet

This packet contains eligibility requirements for scholarship funds administered by the SouthCoast Community Foundation.¹ We strongly encourage you to go through this booklet prior to beginning an application to gauge your eligibility.

2. Apply Online: Applications open on January 1st

- To apply, visit <https://southcoastcf.org/receive/search-apply-for-scholarships/>
- The first step in the application process is the **Scholarship Eligibility Quiz**, accessible via the link provided above. Each question on the quiz is designed to gauge your eligibility for each of our unique scholarship opportunities.
- After submitting the quiz, you will be re-directed to a results page with a listing of all of the scholarships for which you are eligible to apply. Click on the small box next to each scholarship you would like to apply for and then click on the button at the bottom of your screen to **add the scholarships to your virtual bin and to create and applicant account**.

3. Review the Application Deadlines

While the deadline for most scholarships is March 1st, some vary. Incomplete applications and/or late applications, including late attachments, WILL NOT be accepted.

4. Review the Application Materials

The specific materials needed for each scholarship are detailed in the online application. IN GENERAL, you should be prepared to submit:

- The Expected Family Contribution (EFC) from your FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR)
- A personal essay and any additional material required for specific scholarships. (i.e. a letter of recommendation)
- An updated transcript clearly stating your name, school name, and GPA.

5. Questions?

If you have any questions, after carefully reading the [scholarship FAQs](#), please contact scholarships@southcoastcf.org.

¹ Only scholarships intending to make an award through the 2021 cycle are listed in this packet.

The **Albert F. Carr Scholarship Fund** of the Community Foundation was established to provide scholarships to New Bedford high School graduating seniors who plan to attend MIT or will pursue an engineering degree at a four-year college or university.

The **Ann M. Pappi Memorial Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide scholarships to students graduating from Wareham High School. Preference will be given to students who are in their first generation of their family to attend college, but this is not required. Awards are based 50% on academic performance and 50% financial need.

The **CB's Character Blessing Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was created to provide scholarships to college bound student athletes graduating from New Bedford High School who have displayed strength of character within their team, school, and/or community.

The **Charles J Lewin Interfaith Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to encourage seniors of Barnstable, Bristol, Dukes, and Plymouth counties of Massachusetts to attend college. This scholarship is weighted 50% on financial need, 30% on academics and 20% on personal circumstance.

The **Christine Saulnier Pimental Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide annual college scholarships to selected New Bedford Area adults seeking to improve their professional standing by pursuing higher educational opportunities majoring in life sciences, computer science, veterinary services or a related field.

The **College Club of New Bedford Scholarship Funds** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation were established to provide annual college scholarships to students who meet the following criterion: (1) The recipients are young women who are graduates (or graduating seniors) of the following high schools: New Bedford, GNB Voc-tech, Bishop Stang, Dartmouth, Fairhaven. (2) Criteria used for selection shall be financial need and academic performance. Students must be enrolled in a program of study at a four-year college or university and are eligible to re-apply for scholarships during that time.

The **Colton-Khoo Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide scholarship awards to graduating Oliver Ames High School or Southeast Regional High School students who exemplify the Easton Public Schools' core value of respecting and valuing diversity. Please note, special consideration will be given to applicants who are demonstrably active members in the following student and nonstudent groups: amnesty International, Best Buddies International, Gay/Straight Alliance, Multi-cultural Club, or any other group that promotes tolerance acceptance, and inclusion of people from diverse backgrounds. Applications from previous recipients are also encouraged, pending demonstration of good standing. **Please contact coltonkhooscholarship@gmail.com for information on how to apply.**

The **Daniel P. Bergeron Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established by Maureen and Russell Bergeron to honor the memory of their late son, Daniel P. Bergeron. The fund provides annual college scholarships to selected Fairhaven High School graduating seniors. These scholarship(s) are to be awarded to students with financial need and interests in sports and/or music.

The **David C. DuBois Scholarship Fund** seeks to honor the memory and legacy of David DuBois, as well as his life-long commitment to fellow mariners and to the Maritime Industry. Financial awards will be distributed to deserving students who are enrolled and pursuing a post-secondary school course of study in a maritime

field, such as marine surveying, marine transportation, marine engineering, naval architecture, naval engineering, marine safety, or environmental protection.

The **David Cappannari Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide tuition assistance to graduating Plymouth high schools' seniors who plan to attend college.

The **Dr. Paul and Elaine Chervinsky Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide annual scholarships to students graduating from New Bedford High School who will be attending a four-year college or University. Scholarships are considered on a basis of 65% financial need and 35% academic performance. Recipients must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale to be eligible.

The **Edward D. Thomas Trust Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide annual scholarships for to deserving accepted high school seniors of Foxborough High School. For information on how to apply, contact the Foxborough High School Guidance Office.

The **Ellery R. Sherman Memorial Scholarship Fund** was established to scholarships for tuition assistance to one or more graduating seniors during the first year while attending a two or four-year college or university. The criteria to be used in selecting the scholarship recipient shall consist of the following: (a) the student will graduate from the New Bedford High School (b) The student should have attended the John Avery Parker School (or its successor in the event that the Parker School should no longer be so named or in existence) (c) the student shall be the highest-ranking student in the graduating class that meets the criteria in section b.

The **Fairhaven Centurion Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established in 2006, the school's 100th anniversary, to provide annual college scholarships to selected Fairhaven High School graduating seniors. The Fairhaven Centurion Scholarships are awarded on a basis of demonstrated financial need and academic performance.

The **Francis S. Ferreira Scholarship Fund** was established to provide annual scholarships to GNB Voc-Tech graduating seniors, and prior graduates, attending a two- or four-year college/ university pursuing an engineering or computer science degree.

The **Frank and Eleanor Gracie Family Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide annual college scholarships to selected New Bedford High School graduating seniors who plan to attend a two or four-year accredited college/ university. This scholarship is awarded with consideration of both academic achievement and financial need.

The **Frank D. Sylvia Trust Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established by Frank D. Sylvia to honor the memory of his late son, Frank P. Sylvia. The Fund provides annual scholarships to indigent and deserving accepted high school seniors who are residents of Dighton or Somerset.

The **George Earl and Katherine Hartley Church Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide annual college scholarships to selected Acushnet, Rochester, Marion and Mattapoisett, Massachusetts graduating seniors as well as any graduating senior from Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School. The scholarships will be awarded for tuition assistance to pursue an LPN, RN or BSN Nursing Degree while attending a two or four-year accredited college or university. Criteria is stated as follows: willingness to enter the nursing profession, financial need (75%) and academic performance (25%).

The **George E. Keeler Scholarship Fund** was established to honor the legacy of the Founder of the manufacturing company Tech-Etch, Inc. It provides scholarship awards to encourage students, from Plymouth and Bristol counties, to pursue an undergraduate engineering degree and a career in manufacturing. Awards are based 50% on need, 25% on academic performance and 25% on demonstrated interest.

The **Gosnold Community Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide tuition assistance to individuals who have contributed to the Gosnold Community and who have demonstrated financial need to support education pursuits. Please contact hweedensouthcoastcf.org for information on how to apply.

The **Gregory G. Misodoulakis Memorial Scholarship Fund** was established by his family to honor the memory of the 2010 Apponequet Regional High School graduate, Gregory Misodoulakis. Gregory was a well-respected and gregarious member of his class, an honor student, athlete, student leader and dedicated volunteer who very much “lived in the moment” throughout his high school years. His strength of character and infectious smile endeared him to all who knew him. Gregory aspired to become a history teacher and had been eagerly looking forward to his freshman year at UMass Amherst. The annual scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior from Apponequet Regional High School who has demonstrated a strong commitment to the school community and who aspires to pursue a liberal arts and/ or education degree. **Please contact the Apponequet High School guidance office for details and an application.**

The **Jacobs Family New Bedford High School Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation annually provides five four-year scholarships, up to \$35,000. The Scholarships are distributed to one New Bedford Global Learning Charter School, three New Bedford High School, and one Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School graduating seniors. Recipients must attend an accredited college or university and major in science fields including computer science, mathematics, and engineering (see application for details). Each scholarship is contingent upon maintaining a cumulative grade point average of B or better. The criterion for selection will be weighted one-third on financial need, two-thirds on academic performance.

The **John A. Conway MD Scholarship Fund** was established to provide scholarship awards to accepted high school seniors at Wareham High School or Old Rochester Regional High School (alternating annually) who excel in Math or Science or plan to pursue a degree in STEM field at an accredited 4-year college or university. Scholarship recipients shall be selected on the basis of 50% academic performance and 50% financial need.

The **Joseph X. Vasconcelos Memorial Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established in loving memory of Joseph X. Vasconcelos. Joey was a graduate of Wareham High School, Class of 2006. An aspiring musician, Joey had planned to attend Berklee College of Music in Boston. He was a selfless individual and a loyal friend. He was talented, extremely creative and an absolute joy to be around. Scholarships from this fund will be awarded to graduating high school seniors from Wareham High School. **For information on how to apply, e-mail alysonagoglia@gmail.com.**

The **Katelyn Dunner Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide tuition assistance to graduating Plymouth North High Schools seniors during their first year of college.

The **Katherine Hassan Penton Scholarship**, New Bedford Class of 1948 Scholarship Fund of the SouthCoast

Community Foundation was established to fund scholarships to New Bedford High School graduating seniors pursuing a business degree at a college or university. Katherine Penton was a high honor graduate of New Bedford high School and she and her late husband were successful in business having owned a fishing boat and residential real estate properties.

The **Kathleen Joyce Nelson Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to honor the memory of Kathleen Joyce Nelson. The Fund awards scholarships to college bound seniors at New Bedford High School who are planning a career in public service and who have had to fight cancer or have been involved with the cancer-stricken community. For information on how to apply, contact the New Bedford High School Guidance Office.

The **Ladies' Branch of the New Bedford Port Society Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide scholarship awards to students whose families have documented ties to the sea or are the descendants of seamen. Scholarships may also be distributed to students who intend to major in maritime sciences, or plan to attend a maritime academy. Eligible students must reside within the Greater New Bedford Region. (i.e. Acushnet, New Bedford, Fairhaven, Marion, Mattapoisett, New Bedford, Rochester, and Westport)

The **Leo R. and Muriel A. Lanouette Fund** was established to provide scholarship awards to: electrical engineering, computer science, or nursing students who are past their first year at the University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth, with preference to students enrolled in such disciplines who shall have matriculated from high schools in the greater Fall River or New Bedford areas.

The **Lipsky-Whittaker LGBTQ Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to celebrate the lives of John Lipsky and George Whittaker and to continue to create an environment of acceptance and equality within our New England community. The scholarship provides tuition assistance to New Bedford High School graduates, or soon to be graduates, while pursuing a degree at a two or four-year accredited college or university. Eligible applicants must either identify as LGBTQ or have been raised in LGBTQ households. Preference is strongly shown to those students who have demonstrated their commitment to addressing issues of homophobia and LGBTQ inequality in their schools and/or community.

The **Louis M. Rusitzky Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide annual college scholarships to selected New Bedford High School graduating seniors who plan to major in an area of business for tuition assistance during the first year attending a four-year accredited college or university.

The **Luther B. Bowman Scholarship Fund** was established to provide scholarships to accepted high school seniors of Westport High School who plan to attend a two or four-year college or university.

The **Mary Quinn Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide scholarships to one or more graduating senior(s) from Plymouth North High School for tuition assistance while attending a two or four-year accredited college or university.

The **Matthew "Matty" Ryan Oliveira Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established by Kathleen and Matthew Oliveira to honor the memory of their late son, Matthew "Matty" Ryan Oliveira. The fund provides annual scholarships to accepted high school seniors from Fairhaven High School for tuition assistance at a 2 or 4-year college or university.

The **Nate King Memorial Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established by his family in 2010. Nate was a 2009 graduate of New Bedford High School, where he was a standout swimmer. He also worked as a lifeguard at the New Bedford YMCA and shared his passion for swimming by teaching children. The intent of the scholarship is to provide annual college scholarships to one or more graduating seniors from New Bedford High School's swim team for tuition assistance while attending a two or four-year accredited college or university.

The **New Bedford Half Marathon Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide college scholarships to graduating seniors who are runners participating in track, cross country or a related interscholastic athletic program from New Bedford High School, Dartmouth High School and greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School.

The **New Bedford High School Class of 1960 Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was created to provide annual college scholarships to one or more Greater New Bedford graduating seniors with one or more parent(s) or grandparent(s) who are New Bedford High School graduates with preference given to those whose parent or grandparent are alumni of the Class of 1960.

The **New Bedford Woman's Club Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide scholarships to graduating seniors of New Bedford High School and New Bedford Vocational Technical School according to the criteria 50% need and 50% academics for tuition assistance during the first year of attendance at two or four-year college or university.

The **Paul F. Vecchi Memorial Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide annual scholarships to Plymouth North and Plymouth South High School graduating seniors.

The **Samuel and Solomon Rusitzky Entrepreneurial Education Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was created to provide annual college scholarships to selected New Bedford area adult workers seeking to improve their professional standing by pursuing higher educational opportunities related to their profession. The scholarships are awarded for tuition assistance while enrolled in a two or four-year accredited college or university.

The **Somerset Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide scholarships for tuition assistance to Somerset residents/students planning to attend a two or four-year college or university. One goal of the Somerset Scholarship Fund is to assist those students who may not normally qualify for other scholarships.

The **Thomas O. and Sarah F. Jackson Trust Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide tuition assistance on an annually rotating basis to graduating Silver Lake High School, Carver High School and Plymouth High Schools seniors during their first year of college. This year, recipients will be selected from Plymouth High School. Recipients must attend either the Massachusetts Institute of Technology or the University of Massachusetts, and preference is given to students majoring in an agricultural course of study.

The **Thomas S. Hathaway Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide tuition assistance for college, professional, or scientific educations at Harvard University.

Scholarships will be awarded, based on financial need, to one or more students residing in Acushnet, Dartmouth, Fairhaven, New Bedford, Mattapoisett, Marion, Rochester, Wareham, or Westport.

The **TJA Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide two annual college scholarships for Dartmouth High School students. One \$2,000.00 scholarship will be awarded, in honor of **Trevor Alves**, to an accepted high school senior at Dartmouth High School and one \$2,000 scholarship, in honor of **Jordan Alves**, will be awarded to an accepted high school senior at Dartmouth High School who plays soccer.

The **Van Sloun Foundation Scholarship Fund** will award 1-2 single year scholarship payment(s) each year, to a graduating senior of Westport High School and/or Dartmouth High School, not less than \$1,000, until the Fund's annual payout reaches an amount that can sustain continued multi-year awards. At which time, the Fund will award two 4-year scholarships annually, of no less than \$1,000 per year, to a graduating high school senior of Westport High School and Dartmouth High School.

The **Webb Family Scholarship Fund** of the SouthCoast Community Foundation was established to provide scholarships to Franklin High School graduating seniors for tuition assistance while attending a four-year college or university. For information on how to apply, contact the Franklin High School Guidance Office.

The **William Tucker Keene Memorial Scholarship Fund** was established to provide financial assistance to students who understand that an education is one of the only things in life that can never be stolen or taxed.