



## 2026 Available Scholarships

These are general descriptions of Collaboratory’s competitive scholarships. Completion of the 2026–2027 FAFSA Form is required for all scholarships.

**The application opens November 1, 2025 at 6:00 a.m. and closes on Wednesday, January 14, 2026 at 11:00 p.m.**

The online scholarship application includes prequalifying questions relevant to the selection criteria for each scholarship.

After submitting the Main Scholarship Application, some scholarships may require extra materials or information to be considered.

**If you have any questions, please email: [scholarships@collaboratory.org](mailto:scholarships@collaboratory.org)**

Scholarship Description	Award Amount	Who may apply?
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>American Association of University Women- Sue Gottcent Memorial Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a Lee County woman, 25 years of age or older, who is enrolled in the State of Florida University System. <u>Priority will be given to the current awardee, for subsequent years, up to a maximum of four years.</u></p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a woman.</li> <li>• Must be 25 years old or older.</li> <li>• Must be a resident of Lee County.</li> <li>• Must have an unweighted GPA of 2.75 or higher.</li> <li>• Must be enrolled, or plan to enroll, in Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University (FAMU), Florida Atlantic University (FAU), Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU), Florida International University (FIU), Florida Polytechnic University (FPU), Florida State University (FSU), New College of Florida (NCF), University of Central Florida (UCF), University of Florida (UF), University of North Florida (UNF), University of South Florida (USF) or University of West Florida (UWF).</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance.</li> </ul>	<b>\$2,000</b>	Undergraduate Students Graduate Students
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Alli D. Brett Scholarship for Nursing Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for Lee County students who pursue nursing. This scholarship is open to RN and BSN students. <u>Priority will be given to the current awardee, for subsequent years, up to a maximum of four years.</u></p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a resident of Lee County.</li> <li>• Must pursue Nursing (open to RN and BSN students)</li> <li>• Priority may be given to a student who has overcome a major health or personal challenge.</li> </ul>	<b>\$5,000</b>	High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Adult Learners

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Ann and Tom Smoot Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a Lee County high school graduate who is pursuing a postsecondary education at an accredited technical college, state/community college or university in the state of Florida.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be graduating from a high school located in Lee County.</li> <li>• Must have at least a 2.7 unweighted GPA.</li> <li>• Must attend a college or university located in Florida</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance.</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$1,000</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Anne M. Fassett Scholarship</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for men and women who have a physical disability and are seeking post high school educational opportunities at a college, community college or technical school level in Florida.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from public or private high school in Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry or Lee County; or be currently enrolled or planning to attend a Florida state college, community college, or technical school.</li> <li>• Must have a physical disability.</li> <li>• Must use a wheelchair.</li> <li>• Demonstrate financial need.</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$4,600</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Anne Schuchman and Stephen Light Holocaust Museum Scholarship</b></p> <p>This scholarship fund is established to support high school seniors from Southwest Florida — including those attending public high schools or who are homeschooled — who have achieved a GPA of 3.0 or higher and are planning to pursue higher education at a college or technical school.</p> <p>Recipients of this scholarship will exemplify the mission of the Holocaust Museum &amp; Cohen Education Center in Naples: to learn from the lessons of the Holocaust, stand against hatred, and promote mutual respect. This scholarship seeks to empower students who are committed to these values and are prepared to carry them forward in their academic and personal lives.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a resident of one of the following counties: Charlotte, Lee, Collier, Hendry, or Glades.</li> <li>• Must be a high school senior attending a public high school or be homeschooled.</li> <li>• Must have an unweighted GPA of 3.0 or higher.</li> <li>• Must submit an additional essay response, choosing one of the three essay topics provided within the application.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Essay topics below:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Write a reflection of at least 600 words about the personal impact that studying the Holocaust has had on you. The essay must cite a primary source, memoir, documentary or another credible source.</li> <li>• Write a reflection of at least 600 words about one of the artifacts or exhibitions in the Holocaust Museum &amp; Cohen Education Center. This includes our traveling Pop-up Museum and Boxcar. You can learn more about visiting the museum here: <a href="https://hmcec.org/visit/">https://hmcec.org/visit/</a> and to find out whether a Pop-up Museum or the Boxcar is scheduled at your school, check with your school ELA or Social Studies teacher.</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$1,000</b></p> <p>Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interview a descendant of a Holocaust Survivor and write an essay of at least 600 words about how the interviewee's story affected you or the importance of their story. A list of people willing to be interviewed will be provided by the Holocaust Museum by emailing <a href="mailto:info@hmcec.org">info@hmcec.org</a> or at 239-263-9200 ext. 204.</li> </ul>		
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Anne Sturrock Nursing Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a student pursuing nursing who is a member, or a child of a member, of St. Andrew Catholic Church in Cape Coral.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must be a member, or a child or a member, of Saint Andrew Catholic Church in Cape Coral.</li> <li>Must pursue a career in nursing.</li> <li>Must need financial assistance.</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$8,000</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Barbara's Friends Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for any child who has been or is currently being treated for or has received a full treatment protocol for a blood disorder or pediatric oncology diagnosis at Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must have received treatment protocol for a blood disorder or pediatric oncology diagnosis.</li> <li>Must have received treatment at Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida.</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$20,000</b> <i>Renewable up to 4 years</i></p> <p>Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Brighten the Corner Scholarship</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a student attending Florida SouthWestern State College. The student should not have been a registered student at any other college and must attend a Christian Church regularly. This scholarship is to be distributed on a semester-by-semester basis for up to three semesters.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must be a high school senior or current student attending Florida SouthWestern State College.</li> <li>Must not have been a registered student at any other college.</li> <li>Must be enrolled full-time.</li> <li>Must be a member of a Christian Church.</li> <li>Must provide a letter from a church leader verifying membership and regular participation in church activities. <u>Upload of additional document required.</u></li> <li>To receive each semester's installment, the student will need to submit final grades at the end of each semester accompanied by a letter from church leader verifying regular participation in church activities and next semester's schedule showing enrolled courses.</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$3,500</b></p> <p><i>Renewable up to 3 semesters</i></p> <p>Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Adult Learners</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Bruce L. Scheiner Family First Responder's Legacy Scholarship</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for graduating high school seniors in Southwest Florida (Charlotte, Collier, Hendry, Glade and Lee Counties) with at least one parent who is engaged in active service, or who served within the last year, as a first responder (law enforcement, firefighter, or EMT/EMS) in Southwest Florida and in good academic standing and demonstrate a history of positively impacting their community through academic achievement, community service, or other volunteer work .</p>	<p><b>\$5,000</b></p> <p><i>Renewable up to 4 years</i></p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>

<p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a resident of Southwest Florida (Charlotte, Lee, Collier, Hendry or Glades County).</li> <li>• Must be a graduating high school senior.</li> <li>• Must have at least one parent who is currently serving as a first responder (law enforcement, firefighter, or EMT/EMS) in Southwest Florida or has served in one of those roles within the past year.</li> <li>• Must be in good academic standing.</li> <li>• Must demonstrate a history of positively impacting their community through academic achievement, community service, or other volunteer work.</li> <li>• Must provide additional information/documentation of parent employment and additional essay response. <u>Additional responses are required.</u></li> </ul>		
<p><b>Bruce T. Gora Photography Scholarship Fund</b> To fund one scholarship to a high school senior or undergraduate student who is pursuing photography (digital or traditional), architecture or music (priority to a brass instrument player or trumpeter) at an accredited college, university, or technical school in Florida.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from a public or private school in Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry or Lee County.</li> <li>• Must pursue a major in Fine Arts, Photography, Architecture or Music at a Florida college, university, or technical school.</li> <li>• Must have an unweighted GPA of at least a 2.5.</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$1,200</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students</p>
<p><b>Cape Coral Mayor’s Scholarship</b> To fund a scholarship for students who reside in Cape Coral, FL and plan to attend a college or university.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a resident of Cape Coral, Florida.</li> <li>• Must plan to attend a college or university.</li> <li>• Must provide <u>additional personal essay responding to “As a resident of Cape Coral, describe an issue facing our city (or youth) and how you would solve it”</u>.</li> </ul> <p><i>Students applying for the Cape Coral Mayor’s Scholarship and the Cape Coral Mayor’s Scholarship for Nursing may apply to both; however, if selected, the recipient will be awarded <b>only one</b> of the scholarships.</i></p>	<p><b>\$1,000</b></p> <p><i>Renewable up to 4 years</i></p> <p>Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p><b>Cape Coral Mayor’s Scholarship Fund for Nursing</b> To fund a scholarship for students who reside in Cape Coral, FL and plan to attend a college or university and pursuing a major in nursing.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a resident of Cape Coral, Florida.</li> <li>• Must plan to attend a college or university.</li> <li>• Must pursue a major in Nursing</li> <li>• Must provide <u>additional personal essay responding to “As a resident of Cape Coral, describe an issue facing our city (or youth) and how you would solve it”</u>.</li> </ul> <p><i>Students applying for the Cape Coral Mayor’s Scholarship and the Cape Coral Mayor’s Scholarship for Nursing may apply to both;</i></p>	<p><b>\$1,250</b></p> <p><i>Renewable up to 4 years</i></p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>

<p><i>however, if selected, the recipient will be awarded <b>only one</b> of the scholarships.</i></p>		
<p align="center"><b>Carl E. Brooks Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for college bound students of one or more immigrant parents.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from public or private high school in Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, or Lee County.</li> <li>• Must be the child of an immigrant parent.</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance.</li> <li>• Must provide immigrant parent proof. <u>Additional upload of parent's immigration card or birth certificate is required.</u></li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$3,000</b></p> <p align="center">Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p align="center">High School Seniors</p>
<p align="center"><b>Carol Patti McLaughlin Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a student pursuing a 4-year degree, at an accredited college or university, who has an unweighted GPA of 3.3 or higher, demonstrates community service and is from Lee, Charlotte, Glades or Hendry County.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a student in Lee, Charlotte, Glades or Hendry County.</li> <li>• Must be pursuing a 4-year degree at an accredited college or university.</li> <li>• Must have an unweighted GPA of 3.3 or higher.</li> <li>• Must exhibit community service.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$1,200</b></p>	<p align="center">High School Seniors Undergraduate Students</p>
<p align="center"><b>Chet and Janett Perry Rotary Club of Fort Myers Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a student who is pursuing a career in accounting.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be graduating from a public or private high school in Charlotte, Collier, Hendry, Glades or Lee County.</li> <li>• Must pursue a degree in accounting.</li> <li>• Must enter college within a year following high school graduation.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$900</b></p>	<p align="center">High School Seniors</p>
<p align="center"><b>Chip Johnson Memorial Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for students who have completed 60 hours of college, a 3.5 GPA or higher and plan to attend Barry University, Florida Gulf Coast University, Nova Southeastern University, or Florida Southwestern State College.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must have completed 60 semester hours of college and plan to continue studies toward a 4-year degree at Barry University, Florida Gulf Coast University, Nova, Florida Southwestern State College, or a regionally accredited college in the 5-county area.</li> <li>• Must have a GPA of 3.5 or above and an outstanding record of academic achievement.</li> <li>• Must live in the 5-county area served by the Community Foundation (Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry and Lee).</li> <li>• Must demonstrate leadership, community, and service to school.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$4,100</b></p> <p align="center">Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p align="center">Undergraduate Students</p>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Couse-Gram Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a Moore Haven High School student pursuing post-secondary education.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a Moore Haven High School senior.</li> <li>• Must be pursuing post-secondary education.</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$1,000</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>D &amp; A Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a high school senior or undergraduate student, with a 3.5 GPA or higher, who needs financial assistance and is a resident in Lee, Charlotte, Hendry or Glades County. <u>Priority will be given to the current awardee, for subsequent years, up to a maximum of four years.</u></p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a high school senior or graduate in Lee, Charlotte, Hendry or Glades County at a public or private school.</li> <li>• Must have maintained a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher</li> <li>• Must be attending Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, Flagler College in St. Augustine, Florida Gulf Coast University in Fort Myers, Florida State University in Tallahassee, Stetson University in Deland, University of Florida in Gainesville, University of Miami in Coral Gables or University of Tampa in Tampa.</li> <li>• Must be studying Architecture, Engineering, Literature, Business, International Relations, Medicine, Chemistry, Journalism, Physics, Music (Julliard only), Computer Science, Law or Political Science.</li> <li>• Must be in need of financial assistance.</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Selected applicants will be invited for an interview held during the week of March 23–27, 2026.</i></b></p>	<p><b>\$10,000</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Dave’s Scholarship</b></p> <p>To fund a student pursuing a major, degree program, or certificate program in fields related to environmental sustainability, preservation of natural resources, water quality, preservation of animal habitats, native plant conservation, and related disciplines. The scholarship is renewable for up to four (4) years per student.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must plan to attend an accredited college, university, or technical school.</li> <li>• Must be pursuing a major, degree program, or certificate program in fields related to environmental sustainability, preservation of natural resources, water quality, preservation of animal habitats, native plant conservation, and related disciplines.</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$1,500</b></p> <p><i>Renewable up to 4 years</i></p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>David C. Barton Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a high school senior of Everglades City High School OR child/grandchild of service member of the US Armed Forces who plans to attend college full time.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be graduating from Everglades City High School Or Secondary preference given to child/grandchild of service member of the US Armed Forces</li> <li>• Must be a high school senior</li> <li>• Must be residing in Collier County</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$1,000</b></p> <p><i>Renewable up to 4 years</i></p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA</li> <li>• Must enroll full-time</li> <li>• Must provide additional personal essay responding to “How would receiving this scholarship help you benefit the community?” required.</li> </ul>		
<p><b>David G. Robinson Fund for the Arts Scholarship</b> To fund a scholarship for a Lee County high school graduate who plans to study the arts at an accredited school.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from a high school in Lee County.</li> <li>• Must plan to study the arts.</li> <li>• Must be an industrious student with good moral character.</li> <li>• Must show leadership and community service.</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance.</li> </ul>	<b>\$2,400</b>	High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students
<p><b>Doc Keen Memorial Scholarship Fund</b> To fund a scholarship for college or vocational school to a student who was an active member of 4-H or FFA for two consecutive years and attended Moore Haven, Clewiston or LaBelle High School.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from Moore Haven, Clewiston or LaBelle high school.</li> <li>• Must pursue post-secondary education.</li> <li>• Must have been active member of 4-H or FFA for two consecutive years.</li> </ul>	<b>\$750</b>	High School Seniors
<p><b>Doctors Ira and Udaya Dash Nursing Scholarship Fund</b> To fund a scholarship for a student who is studying nursing at Florida Gulf Coast University or Florida SouthWestern State College.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must reside in Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry or Lee County.</li> <li>• Must plan to attend or be attending Florida SouthWestern State College (FSW) or Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU).</li> <li>• Must study Nursing.</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance.</li> </ul>	<b>\$1,300</b>  Multiple Awards Available	High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students
<p><b>Doris W. Frey Memorial Scholarship Fund</b> To fund a scholarship for students studying Christian Ministry/Youth Ministry, Education, Christian Counseling, Nursing, Medicine, or other occupations of compassion. Preference will be given to members and attendees of the Sanibel Community Church.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from a public or private high school in Charlotte, Collier, Hendry, Glades or Lee County.</li> <li>• Must pursue a degree in Christian Ministry/Youth Ministry, Christian Counseling, Education, Nursing, Medicine, or other occupations of compassion.</li> <li>• Must be committed to a life of Christian service.</li> <li>• Must demonstrate a commitment through action in ministering to others.</li> <li>• Must have recognized ability &amp; academic performance with standard measures of grades &amp; appropriate test scores.</li> </ul>	<b>\$2,700</b>  Multiple Awards Available	High School Seniors Undergraduate Students

<p><b>Dorothy Curtis Brown Scholarship Fund in Memory of Ann Nutt</b>  To fund a scholarship for students, directors or assistant directors pursuing early childhood education programs or advanced certification from an accredited college or university to become an administrator or director at a childcare center.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must enroll at an accredited college or university in Southwest Florida.</li> <li>• Must want to obtain a Child Development Associate Certificate (CDA), associate degree or bachelor's degree in early childhood education.</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$1,000</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors  Undergraduate Students  Adult Learner</p>
<p><b>Dr. Janet Marderness Scholarship Fund</b>  To fund a scholarship for a Fort Myers High School graduating senior who plans to study any Math or Science field.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a graduating high school senior.</li> <li>• Must be graduating from Fort Myers High School and attended both junior and senior year.</li> <li>• Must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA.</li> <li>• Must plan to study any math or science related fields.</li> <li>• Must plan to attend an accredited institution.</li> <li>• Must document financial need.</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$1,500</b></p>	<p><b>High School Seniors</b></p>
<p><b>Dunbar Heritage Scholarship</b>  To fund a Dunbar High School graduate, of African American descent and in need of financial assistance, to pursue a bachelor's degree at an accredited college. Must have at least a 2.5 GPA and enter college within a year following high school graduation.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a Dunbar High School Graduate.</li> <li>• Must be of African American decent.</li> <li>• Must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher.</li> <li>• Must enter college within the year following high school graduation.</li> <li>• Must document financial need.</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$1,000</b>   Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p><b>Edna and Felix Swain Scholarship</b>  To fund a scholarship to deserving individuals who are members of the Mount Olive African Methodist Episcopal Church to be used for college, vocational, graduate or professional education.</p> <p><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be an active member of Mount Olive African Methodist Episcopal Church</li> <li>• Must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher</li> <li>• Must provide additional information listing the ministries that you actively participate in at Mount Olive and a letter from a ministry leader verifying participation.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Varies</b>   Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors  Undergraduate Students  Graduate Students  Adult Learners</p>
<p><b>Ellen Sheppard Scholarship Fund</b>  To fund a scholarship for a Lee County high school senior or a undergraduate student currently enrolled in an accredited college or university, pursuing a degree in art (specifically visual arts—painting, photography, or sculpture) or nursing. Preference will be given to students who are in their first year of college; however, students at all class levels will be considered.</p>	<p><b>\$2,900</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors  Undergraduate Students</p>

<p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a Lee County high school senior or undergraduate student.</li> <li>• Must have a minimum 3.5 unweighted GPA.</li> <li>• Must pursue a degree in art (specifically visual arts—painting, photography, or sculpture) or nursing.</li> </ul>		
<p><b>Faye Lynn Roberts Education Scholarship Fund</b> To fund a scholarship for women pursuing a career in technical studies, court reporting, computer training or nursing.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be 21 years of age or older.</li> <li>• Must be a resident of Lee County.</li> <li>• Must be a single mother.</li> <li>• Pursuing a career in technical studies, court reporting, computer training or nursing.</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance.</li> </ul>	<b>\$750</b>	Undergraduate Students Graduate Students Adult Learners
<p><b>Frances Harris Gresham Scholarship Fund</b> To fund a scholarship for graduating seniors, of a Lee County public or private high school, to attend college.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from a public or private high school in Lee County.</li> <li>• Must plan on attending college.</li> </ul>	<b>\$1,400</b>	High School Seniors
<p><b>Frances H. Waldron Scholarship Fund</b> To fund a scholarship for an Immokalee High School senior who plans to attend a college or university in Southwest Florida.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a graduating senior from Immokalee High School.</li> <li>• Must have a 3.2, 3.3 or 3.4 unweighted GPA.</li> <li>• Must attend a college or university in Southwest Florida (Collier, Charlotte, Hendry, Glades, and Lee counties).</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance.</li> </ul>	<b>\$2,400</b>	High School Seniors
<p><b>G. Napier and Ellen T. Wilson Scholarship Fund</b> To fund a scholarship for an outstanding high school student who has volunteered at a Veterans Administration Hospital, Clinic or similar organization providing services to military veterans, to attend an accredited university, college or vocational technical institution.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from a public or private high school in Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry or Lee County.</li> <li>• Must have volunteered for at least 100 hours at a veteran’s administration hospital or clinic, or a similar organization that provides services to military veterans.</li> <li>• Must provide a letter of recommendation from the veteran’s facility or organization where the applicant volunteers. <u>Additional upload of this letter of recommendation is required.</u></li> </ul>	<b>\$4,200</b>  Multiple Awards Available	High School Seniors

<p><b>Gail Markham Believing in Girls Scholarship Fund</b>  To fund a female high school graduate in Charlotte, Collier, Hendry, Glades or Lee Counties who demonstrates financial need with a minimum GPA of 3.0 to obtain a post-secondary degree at an accredited college, university or technical school. <u>Priority will be given to the current awardee, for subsequent years, up to a maximum of four years.</u></p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a female student.</li> <li>• Must have graduated from a high school in Lee, Charlotte, Hendry, Glades or Collier County.</li> <li>• Must plan to attend an accredited college, university, or technical school.</li> <li>• Must have a minimum 3.0 GPA.</li> <li>• Must demonstrate financial need.</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$1,700</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors  Undergraduate Students</p>
<p><b>George E. Judd Scholarship Fund</b>  To fund a scholarship for graduating Lee County seniors pursuing higher education in the fine or performing arts.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from a public or private high school in Lee County.</li> <li>• Must pursue a degree in fine or performing arts.</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$1,000</b></p> <p>Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p><b>Gerard C. Mehr Scholarship Fund</b>  To fund a scholarship for a Southwest Florida student graduating high school or possessing a GED, or to adult learners seeking continued education from accredited colleges, universities or training from certified job training programs.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must live in Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry or Lee County.</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance.</li> <li>• Must provide additional personal essay <u>“expressing desire to acquire new skills and goals to help others”</u>.</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$1,000</b></p>	<p>High School Graduates  Undergraduate Students  Graduate Students  Adult Learners</p>
<p><b>Herbert E. Hussey Scholarship Fund</b>  To fund a scholarship for a Southwest Florida high school senior. <u>Priority will be given to applicants who are dependents of employees of Verizon Communications, Inc.</u></p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a resident of Charlotte, Lee, Collier, Hendry or Glades County.</li> <li>• Must be a graduating high school senior.</li> <li>• Must be in need of financial assistance.</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Selected applicants will be invited for an interview held during the week of March 23–27, 2026.</i></b></p>	<p><b>\$4,000</b></p> <p><i>Renewable up to 4 years</i></p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>

<p align="center"><b>Hope Foundation of Southwest Florida Scholarship (In Memory of Fredrick Morgan)</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a Southwest Florida graduating high school senior or undergraduate college student pursuing a postsecondary education at Florida Southwestern State College or Florida Gulf Coast University.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from a high school in Southwest Florida (Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry or Lee Counties).</li> <li>• Must plan to attend or be attending Florida SouthWestern State College or Florida Gulf Coast University.</li> <li>• Must have 2.5 GPA or higher.</li> <li>• Must demonstrate leadership and service in the community.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$2,000</b></p> <p align="center">Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students</p>
<p align="center"><b>Howard P. &amp; Magdalen K. Breitenbach Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a student who was either a service member of the United States Navy or is a child/grandchild of a service member who was in the United States Navy and is in need of financial assistance.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from a public or private high school in Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry or Lee County.</li> <li>• Must be either a former service member of the U.S. Navy or a child/grandchild of a U.S. Navy Service Member.</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance.</li> <li>• Must provide proof of service in the Navy. <u>Additional upload of proof is required.</u></li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$6,000</b></p> <p align="center">Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>
<p align="center"><b>Immokalee Achievement Award Scholarship</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for an Immokalee High School graduating senior who has or will be applying to a community college, or an advanced education trade school, for a course or courses leading to a specialized trade or job skill.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a graduating Immokalee High School senior.</li> <li>• Must enroll at a community college or trade school in courses leading up to a specialized trade or job skill.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$1,900</b></p> <p align="center">Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p align="center"><b>Isabel Mayer Kirkpatrick Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for Lee County high school students with a "B" average to pursue a postsecondary education.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a graduating high school senior from a public or private high school in Lee County.</li> <li>• Must be well-rounded in terms of education, community service, sports and leadership activities.</li> <li>• Must have an unweighted GPA between 2.7 - 3.3.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$5,400</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p align="center"><b>James Bilder Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for Lee County high school students to pursue higher education. Preference will be given to students attending vocational/technical schools.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a graduate from a high school in Lee County.</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$4,400</b></p> <p align="center">Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>

<p align="center"><b>James F. Chelius, Jr., Esq. Scholarship</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a high school senior who has lettered in a high school sport and is graduating from a high school in Charlotte, Lee, or Hendry County and plans to pursue post-secondary education at an accredited technical school, community college, college, or university. <u>Priority will be given to the current awardee, for subsequent years, up to a maximum of four years.</u></p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be graduating from a high school in Charlotte, Lee, or Hendry County.</li> <li>• Must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA</li> <li>• Must have lettered in a sport.</li> <li>• Must enroll at a technical school, community college, college or university.</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$1,000</b></p>	<p align="center">High School Seniors</p>
<p align="center"><b>Jane H. Berkold Scholarship</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for graduates of Lee County public high schools in need of financial assistance.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from a public high school in Lee County.</li> <li>• Must have an unweighted GPA of 3.5 or higher.</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$5,600</b></p> <p align="center">Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p align="center">High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>
<p align="center"><b>Jerome L. King Scholarship for Careers in Healthcare</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship in support of any high school graduate or GED student accepted into an entry-level healthcare training program at an accredited technical school or state college located in Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry, and Glades Counties.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a high school graduate or hold a GED</li> <li>• Must be accepted into an entry-level healthcare training program at an accredited technical school or state college located in Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry, and Glades Counties</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$1,000</b></p> <p align="center">Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p align="center">High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Adult Learners</p>
<p align="center"><b>Joanne Vorhees Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for students attending nursing school who reside in Hendry or Glades counties.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a resident of Hendry or Glades County.</li> <li>• Must pursue nursing.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$1,000</b></p>	<p align="center">High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students Adult Learners</p>
<p align="center"><b>John and Ellen Sheppard Humane Student Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for high school seniors who have a belief in a universal creator of life and are actively involved in school and student life, with a commitment to help others through volunteer work in the community, charitable organizations or religious organizations.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from a public or private high school in Lee, Charlotte, Hendry or Glades County.</li> <li>• Must have a minimum 3.2 unweighted GPA.</li> <li>• Must acknowledge belief in a universal creator of life or higher power.</li> <li>• Must be actively involved in school and student life with a willingness and a commitment to helping others.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$2,600</b></p> <p align="center">Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p align="center">High School Seniors</p>

<p align="center"><b>John &amp; Ruth Childe Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a Lee County student with a physical disability to pursue higher education in a college, university or technical school.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from public or private high school in Lee County.</li> <li>• Must have a physical disability <u>and the ability to state and describe disability in the application's additional personal essay question.</u></li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$2,000</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>
<p align="center"><b>John I. and Madeleine R. Taeni Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>For students pursuing degrees in teaching, nursing, paramedic training or emergency medical technician training.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a resident of Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, or Lee County.</li> <li>• Must be highly motivated.</li> <li>• Must pursue Teaching, Nursing, Paramedic Training or Emergency Medical Technician Training.</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Selected applicants will be invited for an interview held during the week of March 23–27, 2026.</i></b></p>	<p align="center"><b>\$4,000</b> <i>Renewable up to 4 years</i></p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduates Graduate Students Adult Learner</p>
<p align="center"><b>John M. &amp; Mary A. Shanley Memorial Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for four years to students studying Medicine, Law, Dentistry, Education (math or science), Ministry, Engineering, Accounting, Agriculture, Architecture or Computer Science.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be studying Law, Medicine, Dentistry, Education (math or science), Ministry, Engineering, Accounting, Agriculture, Architecture or Computer Science.</li> <li>• Must graduate from a high school in (Charlotte, Hendry, or Lee County).</li> <li>• Must have minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Selected applicants will be invited for an interview held during the week of March 23–27, 2026.</i></b></p>	<p align="center"><b>\$5,000</b> <i>Renewable up to 4 years</i></p> <p>Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p align="center"><b>Jordan Abdo Memorial Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a graduating senior that participated in interscholastic athletics at North Fort Myers High School.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a graduating high school senior</li> <li>• Must be a student from North Fort Myers High School.</li> <li>• Must be a student athlete.</li> <li>• Must have an unweighted GPA of 3.0 to 3.5.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$2,000</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>

<p align="center"><b>Jordan Ashley Gutheim Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a four-year scholarship for a Lee County high school graduating senior, with preference given to an Evangelical Christian School graduate in Fort Myers, Florida, who plans to attend Florida State University.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a graduating high school senior, from Lee County, with preference given to Evangelical Christian School seniors, in Fort Myers.</li> <li>• Must be a resident of Lee County.</li> <li>• Must plan to attend Florida State University.</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance.</li> <li>• Must provide additional essay response. <u>Provide additional personal essay after visiting the Jordan Ashley Gutheim Foundation website “About your thoughts and what it would mean for you to receive this scholarship.”</u></li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$2,000</b></p> <p align="center"><i>Renewable up to 4 years.</i></p>	<p align="center">High School Seniors</p>
<p align="center"><b>Judge Isaac Anderson, Jr. Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship to a two- or four-year regionally accredited college or university, for an African American Lee County high school student.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from public or private high school in Lee County.</li> <li>• Must be an African American student.</li> <li>• Must maintain an unweighted GPA of 3.0 or higher.</li> <li>• Must demonstrate strong community ties, preferably to the local Dunbar community, through extracurricular activities, religious endeavors or community service.</li> <li>• Must plan to attend a two- or four-year regionally accredited college or university.</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$1,300</b></p>	<p align="center">High School Seniors</p>
<p align="center"><b>Judge William J. Nelson Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a student who will attend the University of Florida and has overcome adversity, in some way.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from a high school in Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry or Lee County.</li> <li>• Must have overcome adversity in some way.</li> <li>• Must attend the University of Florida.</li> <li>• Must provide additional essay response asking to <u>“Describe how you overcame adversity.”</u></li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$2,000</b></p>	<p align="center">High School Seniors</p>
<p align="center"><b>Judith Ann Zimomra Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for dependents of Sanibel City employees to attend a college or university.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a dependent of a Sanibel City employee.</li> <li>• Must provide additional supplemental responses and parent tax returns as proof of employee dependency. <u>Additional upload of proof is required.</u></li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>Varies</b></p> <p align="center">Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p align="center">High School Seniors Undergraduate Students</p>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Julie Willard Mikell Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a Lee County high school senior, in need of financial assistance, to attend a 2- or 4-year regionally accredited college or university.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from a public or private high school in Lee County.</li> <li>• Must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA.</li> <li>• Must plan to attend a 2- or 4-year regionally accredited college or university.</li> <li>• Must demonstrate strong ties to the community through extracurricular activities, religious endeavors, or community service.</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance.</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$1,800</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Justin Curtis Anderson Scholarship</b></p> <p>To fund a graduating student from a Southwest Florida high school with a minimum 3.0 GPA accepted into and attending an accredited two- or four-year public or private institution of higher learning or technical/vocational school.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from a public or private high school in Charlotte, Collier, Lee, Hendry or Glades County.</li> <li>• Must demonstrate strong community ties, preferably to the local Dunbar community.</li> <li>• Must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA.</li> <li>• Must plan to attend a 2- or 4-year regionally accredited college or university or technical/vocational school.</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$2,300</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>LEAD Estero Founders Scholarship</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship to support an Estero High School senior with a minimum GPA of 3.0 or higher and are accepted into and attend accredited two- or four-year public or private institutions of higher learning or technical/vocational schools.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a graduating high school senior from Estero High School</li> <li>• Must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA.</li> <li>• Must plan on attending college, university, or technical/vocational school.</li> <li>• Must demonstrate financial need.</li> <li>• Must provide <u>additional personal essay responding to “How receiving this scholarship would affect your life” required.</u></li> <li>• Must maintain a GPA of at least 3.0 to receive the scholarship each succeeding year.</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Selected applicants will be invited for an interview held during the week of March 23–27, 2026.</i></b></p> <p><i>Students applying for the LEAD Estero Scholarships may apply to all; however, if selected, the recipient will be awarded only one of the scholarships.</i></p>	<p><b>\$5,000</b></p> <p><i>Renewable up to 2 years</i></p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>LEAD Estero Del Negro Family Scholarship</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for an Estero High School senior with a minimum GPA of 3.0 or higher and are accepted into and attend accredited two- or four-year public or private institutions of higher learning or technical/vocational schools. Must demonstrate financial need.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a graduating high school senior from Estero High School</li> <li>• Must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA.</li> <li>• Must plan on attending college, university, or technical/vocational school.</li> <li>• Must demonstrate financial need.</li> </ul> <p><i>Students applying for the LEAD Estero Scholarships may apply to all; however, if selected, the recipient will be awarded only one of the scholarships.</i></p>	<p><b>\$5,000</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>LEAD Estero Topper Family Scholarship</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for an Estero High School senior with a minimum GPA of 3.0 or higher and are accepted into and attend accredited two- or four-year public or private institutions of higher learning or technical/vocational schools. Must demonstrate financial need.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a graduating high school senior from Estero High School</li> <li>• Must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA.</li> <li>• Must plan on attending college, university, or technical/vocational school.</li> <li>• Must demonstrate financial need.</li> </ul> <p><i>Students applying for the LEAD Estero Scholarships may apply to all; however, if selected, the recipient will be awarded only one of the scholarships.</i></p>	<p><b>\$5,000</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>LEAD Estero Scholarship Engage Estero / Estero Rotary</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for an Estero High School senior with a minimum GPA of 3.0 or higher and are accepted into and attend accredited two- or four-year public or private institutions of higher learning or technical/vocational schools.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a graduating high school senior from Estero High School</li> <li>• Must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA.</li> <li>• Must plan on attending college, university, or technical/vocational school.</li> </ul> <p><i>Students applying for the LEAD Estero Scholarships may apply to all; however, if selected, the recipient will be awarded only one of the scholarships.</i></p>	<p><b>\$2,500</b></p> <p>Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>

<p align="center"><b>LEAD Estero Trade School Scholarship</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for an Estero High School senior with a minimum GPA of 3.0 or higher and are attending technical/vocational schools.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a graduating high school senior from Estero High School</li> <li>• Must have a minimum 2.5 unweighted GPA.</li> <li>• Must plan on attending technical/vocational school.</li> </ul> <p><i>Students applying for the LEAD Estero Scholarships may apply to all; however, if selected, the recipient will be awarded only one of the scholarships.</i></p>	<p align="center"><b>\$2,500</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p align="center"><b>Lee County Library Sciences Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for Lee County residents pursuing a bachelor's or master's degree in library science.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a resident of Lee County.</li> <li>• Must be pursuing a bachelor's or master's degree in library science.</li> <li>• Must have completed at least 60 credit hours.</li> <li>• Must have an unweighted GPA of 3.0 or higher.</li> <li>• Complete 120 (paid or unpaid) service hours in the Lee County Library System while pursuing or immediately following completion of degree.</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Selected applicants will be invited for an interview held during the week of March 23–27, 2026.</i></b></p>	<p align="center"><b>\$12,000</b></p>	<p>Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>
<p align="center"><b>Lewis B. Barber Memorial Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for books and tuition for students pursuing either a certification to teach the deaf and/or the blind or attending seminary or pre-seminary school to study Church Christian music or Christian Education.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from public or private high school in Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry or Lee County.</li> <li>• Must pursue certification to teach deaf/blind or attend seminary/pre-seminary school.</li> <li>• Must maintain satisfactory grades.</li> <li>• Must acknowledge and express Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$5,000</b></p> <p align="center">Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>
<p align="center"><b>Linda L. Mann Scholarship Fund for Music Majors</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a graduating high school senior who is planning to major in music education at Florida Southern College.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a graduating high school senior in southern Florida.</li> <li>• Must attend Florida Southern College in Lakeland, Florida.</li> <li>• Must be majoring in music.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$1,500</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>

<p align="center"><b>Lloyd and Shirley Matthai Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for Lee County single mothers who wish to pursue a career in the medical or dental field.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a resident of Lee County.</li> <li>• Must be a single mother.</li> <li>• Must pursue education in the medical or dental field.</li> <li>• Must demonstrate financial need.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$3,600</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students Adult Learners</p>
<p align="center"><b>Love of Bonita Empowerment Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for books, tuition and/or course fees for Bonita Springs residents who have been out of school for at least two years and plan to attend a college or technical school.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a resident of Bonita Springs.</li> <li>• Must be out of high school for at least two years or received your GED.</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$1,100</b></p> <p align="center">Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>Undergraduate Students Graduate Students Adult Learners</p>
<p align="center"><b>Mary Ann Elder Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a student from Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry or Lee County entering or continuing a master's degree program in Social Work, at an accredited university or college.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be from the five-county area of Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry or Lee County.</li> <li>• Must be entering or continuing a master's degree program in Social Work, at an accredited university or college.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$1,000</b></p>	<p>Graduate Students</p>
<p align="center"><b>Matt Harmon Memorial Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for books and tuition for college-bound baseball players from a public high school in Lee County.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from a public high school in Lee County.</li> <li>• Must be male.</li> <li>• Must have played baseball in high school.</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$1,200</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p align="center"><b>Mrs. Cathy Riedel Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for Cypress Lake High School seniors who want to pursue a career that involves helping those with special needs. Preference will be given to those who have participated in the Special Olympics and who have aided in ESE classrooms. This award is not restricted to education majors; any public service career, such as Law Enforcement, Fire and Rescue, Nursing, Law, Medicine, etc., is included.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a Cypress Lake High School student.</li> <li>• Must want to pursue a career related to assisting people with special needs.</li> <li>• Must provide additional supplemental responses.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$1,000</b></p> <p align="center">Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>

<p><b>O. Fred and Bernadine Stuefer Scholarship Fund</b>  To fund a scholarship for graduating high school seniors in Lee County who pursue business or science upon entering college.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must have an unweighted GPA of at least 3.0.</li> <li>• Must be a graduating high school senior in Lee County.</li> <li>• Must be pursuing a degree in business or science.</li> <li>• Must maintain at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA and pursue a business or science degree, to receive scholarship renewal.</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$2,400</b></p> <p><i>Renewable up to 4 years</i></p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p><b>Patricia Means Scholarship Fund</b>  To fund a scholarship for high school seniors who are graduating from a high school in Charlotte, Lee, Collier, Hendry, or Glades County.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must have a minimum of 2.0 unweighted GPA but must not have an unweighted GPA higher than a 3.0.</li> <li>• Must enroll at a technical school, community college, college or university.</li> <li>• Must enroll full-time.</li> <li>• Must be a United States citizen.</li> <li>• Must provide a copy of birth certificate or government issued ID (e.g. passport) to verify citizenship. <u>Additional upload of proof is required.</u></li> <li>• Must maintain satisfactory grades and full-time enrollment to receive the scholarship each succeeding year.</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Selected applicants will be invited for an interview held during the week of March 23–27, 2026.</i></b></p>	<p><b>\$10,000</b></p> <p><i>Renewable up to 4 years</i></p> <p>Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p><b>Paul B. &amp; Aline Flynn Scholarship Fund</b>  To fund a scholarship for high school seniors pursuing a degree at Florida Gulf Coast University in Entrepreneurial Studies.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from a public or private high school in Charlotte, Collier, Lee, Hendry or Glades County.</li> <li>• Must pursue a degree in Entrepreneurial Studies.</li> <li>• Must attend Florida Gulf Coast University.</li> <li>• Must have an unweighted 3.0 GPA or higher.</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$3,300</b></p> <p>Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p><b>Richard S. Thompson and Marion L. Thompson Memorial Scholarship Fund</b>  To fund a scholarship for Lee County students pursuing a post high school science education.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must have an unweighted GPA of at least 3.5.</li> <li>• Must be a resident of Lee County.</li> <li>• Must be pursuing a post-secondary science education.</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Selected applicants will be invited for an interview held during the week of March 23–27, 2026.</i></b></p>	<p><b>\$10,000</b></p> <p>Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors  Undergraduate Students  Graduate Students</p>

<p align="center"><b>Ricky Pigott Memorial Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund two scholarships: (A) A high school senior who participated in the Cape Coral Youth Football Association and (B) A Mariner High School football player who is a graduating senior.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Must have participated in the Cape Coral Youth Football Association.</li> <li>B. Must be a Mariner High School football player.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$2,500</b></p> <p align="center">Each scholarship award</p>	<p align="center">High School Seniors</p>
<p align="center"><b>Robert A. Kleckner Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a high school, undergraduate or graduate student who is in need of financial assistance and is pursuing a career in finance or accounting.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from a high school in Charlotte, Collier, Lee, Hendry or Glades County.</li> <li>• Must pursue a degree in Finance or Accounting.</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$3,800</b></p>	<p align="center">High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>
<p align="center"><b>Robert B. and Dorothy Pence Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for Lee County students who need financial assistance to attend college or technical school.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from a public or private high school in Lee County.</li> <li>• Must be an industrious student with good moral character.</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$1,800</b></p> <p align="center">Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p align="center">High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>
<p align="center"><b>Robert C. &amp; Margaret A. Schikora Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for students who need financial assistance and have previously graduated from high schools in Lee County, to pursue postsecondary educational opportunities.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must have previously graduated from a public or private high school in Lee County.</li> <li>• Must have a documented 3.0 unweighted GPA.</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance.</li> <li>• Must be enrolled at a technical school, community college, college or university.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$1,200</b></p>	<p align="center">Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>
<p align="center"><b>Ruth Messmer Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for women pursuing a business career in college.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must graduate from public or private high school in Lee, Charlotte, Glades, Hendry, or Collier County.</li> <li>• Must be a woman.</li> <li>• Must be pursuing a business career in college.</li> <li>• Must be well-rounded in terms of education, community service and leadership activities.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$1,200</b></p>	<p align="center">High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>

<p align="center"><b>Sanibel Community Church Scholarship</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for children or grandchildren of a member of Sanibel Community Church and need financial assistance.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a child or grandchild of a Sanibel Community Church member.</li> <li>• Must be a high school graduate; private, public or home school certified.</li> <li>• Must show academic excellence and other abilities.</li> <li>• Must have a commitment to the Christian Faith and lifestyle.</li> <li>• Must have a willingness to serve others in a church and community.</li> <li>• Must document financial need.</li> <li>• Must provide one verification/recommendation letter from a pastor of Sanibel Community Church. <u>Additional upload of documentation is required.</u></li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$2,500</b></p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>
<p align="center"><b>Southwest Florida Deputy Sheriffs Association Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for high school students who are dependents of an active Sheriff's law enforcement officer(s) from Charlotte, Collier, Lee, Hendry, or Glades counties.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a resident of Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry or Lee County.</li> <li>• Must be a high school senior</li> <li>• Must be pursuing post-secondary education.</li> <li>• Must be a dependent of an active Sheriff's Law Enforcement officer in Lee, Charlotte, Collier, Hendry or Glades County.</li> <li>• Must list the name of Law Enforcement Officer on application.</li> <li>• Must provide documentation of Sheriff's Office employment. <u>Additional upload of documentation is required.</u></li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$1,500</b></p> <p align="center">Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p align="center"><b>Southwest Florida Incorporated- Ralph A. Richardson Chamber Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for a high school senior or graduate of Bonita Springs High School and planning to continue their education at a vocational/technical school, college, or university.</p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a high school senior or graduate of Bonita Springs High School.</li> <li>• Must have a minimum unweighted 3.0 cumulative GPA or higher.</li> <li>• Must be planning to continue your education at a vocation school, technical school, college, or university.</li> <li>• Must exhibit a commitment to community service.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$3,500</b></p> <p align="center">Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Graduate Students</p>
<p align="center"><b>Steven F. Lux Scholarship Fund for First Responders</b></p> <p>To fund a person wishing to pursue a career in criminal justice or a first responder training program. <u>Priority is given to those already employed in the field and looking to advance their careers.</u></p> <p><b><u>Eligibility Requirements:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be a resident of Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry or Lee County.</li> <li>• Must enroll at a technical school, community college, college or university.</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>\$1,500</b></p> <p align="center">Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students Adult Learners</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must pursue career in criminal justice or first responder training program (EMT, Paramedic, Nursing, Firefighter).</li> </ul>		
<p><b>The Epsilon Nu Boulé Foundation, Inc./Charles M. Reynolds Jr. Memorial Scholarship</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for an African American high school senior or graduate from Lee or Collier Counties planning to enroll full-time at an accredited two-year or four-year college or university, who has an unweighted GPA of 2.8 or higher. Eligible students will have the opportunity to receive one of ten available scholarships. One (1)-recurring award of \$5,000 renewable for up to 4 years and nine (9) one-time awards up to \$5,000.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must self-identify as Black or African American.</li> <li>• Be a high school senior or graduate of a public or private high school in Lee County or Collier County, Florida.</li> <li>• Must enroll in a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited two-year or four-year college or university.</li> <li>• Must have a GPA of 2.8 or higher.</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Selected applicants will be invited for an interview held during the week of March 23–27, 2026.</i></b></p>	<p><b>Up to \$5,000</b> Nine One-time Awards</p> <p><b>\$5,000</b> One Available Renewable up to 4 years</p>	<p>High School Seniors Undergraduate Students</p>
<p><b>Tommy Bohanon Foundation Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund scholarships for Lee County high school seniors who participated in any aspect of sports during high school, demonstrates academic excellence, and is committed to community service.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must have participated in any aspect of sports, during high school, demonstrate academic excellence and is committed to community service.</li> <li>• Must provide verification of sports involvement. <u>Additional letter from a coach or athletic director verifying sport(s) involvement is required.</u></li> </ul> <p><b><i>Selected applicants will be invited for an interview held on March 9, 2026.</i></b></p>	<p><b>\$10,000</b></p> <p>Multiple Awards Available</p>	<p>High School Seniors</p>
<p><b>William L. Graddy Law School Scholarship Fund</b></p> <p>To fund a scholarship for students who are currently attending law school. Preference will be given to students who are entering their second year at an accredited law school.</p> <p><b>Eligibility Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be currently attending law school. <i>Preference will be given to students who are entering their second year at an accredited law school.</i></li> <li>• Must have a GPA of 3.0 or above.</li> <li>• Must be a resident of Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry or Lee County for at least 3 years.</li> <li>• Must need financial assistance.</li> </ul>	<p><b>\$1,000</b></p>	<p>Graduate Students</p>