2023-2024 Scholarship Descriptions

You may apply for the following scholarships with the Community Foundation Scholarship application. Eligibility requirements set by the donors are listed for each scholarship.

Additionally, (unless otherwise noted) the Community Foundation also considers the following: financial need, academic excellence, extracurricular accomplishments, work experience and essay score.

*Betsy L. Bertoli Scholarship*
For Torrington High School graduating seniors who plan to pursue a career in accounting or business administration/management at the university level and have had at least one successful high school semester of accounting. Average award: $250

*Russell F. Bruno Scholarship*
For Torrington High School graduating seniors who have excelled in the study of English and are planning to major in writing, literature, journalism or a related field. Average award: $400

*Jack and Ruth Calder Scholarship*
For graduating seniors from Burlington, Litchfield, Torrington or Winsted high schools who are residents of Barkhamsted, Colebrook, Goshen, Hartland, Harwinton, Litchfield, New Hartford, Norfolk, Torrington or Winsted with preference given to those who volunteer and are involved in their community or who have received recognition and/or awards. Average award: $300

*Mae Casali Bonvicini Scholarship*
For Torrington High School graduating seniors; Award range: $400-$1,500

*Steven A. Chupka Memorial Scholarship*
For Oliver Wolcott Vocational-Technical High School graduating seniors; preference may be given to students who participate in community service and who have an academic focus in electronics, but students pursuing other fields of study also are eligible to apply. Average award: $200
Tim Considine Memorial Scholarship
The Fund shall be used to provide scholarship support to Torrington (only) residents currently enrolled as seniors in a high school or vocational technical school who are seeking admission to an accredited university. The following criteria is utilized to select scholarship recipients: Preference will be given to students who participate in school and/or organized sports while demonstrating academic achievement, exhibit a commitment to organized religion while engaging in institutional faith-based activities, and display exemplary character through either extracurricular accomplishments or community service.
Please Note: This scholarship is not financially need-based. (No FAFSA required) Two $1,250 awards

Edward W. Diskavich Scholarship
Established in memory of Edward W. Diskavich, this scholarship is awarded to students who attended Oliver Wolcott Technical High School. Award range: $300-$1,000

Frances H. Ducci Scholarship
For graduating seniors of a public high school in the Community Foundation’s *20-town service area who also live in the Community Foundation’s *20-town service area. Award range: $500-$2,500

Marion Wm. Edwards Scholarship
For Torrington High School graduating seniors who are planning to continue in Italian studies, planning to teach or planning to study literature or journalism. Award average: $250

Michele Farley Pittler Scholarship
For Torrington High School graduating seniors; Award average: $1,000

Charles and Pierina Fossati Scholarship
Established by Eleanor Fossati in memory of her parents, this scholarship is awarded to Torrington High School graduates who demonstrate exemplary character. Award average: $750

Helen and Mario Garbin Scholarship
For students who live in the Community Foundation’s *20-town service area and are entering any year of undergraduate or graduate school. Award average: $500
**Healthcare Auxiliary Scholarship**
For students residing in Canaan, Cornwall, Kent, North Canaan, Salisbury or Sharon, and who plan to pursue a career in healthcare, with a preference given to those who volunteer and are involved in their community. *Two $2,500 awards*

**Italian-American Republican Club Scholarship**
For Torrington residents of Italian descent who are entering their junior or senior year at a college or university and are majoring in political science, government, history or pre-law. *Award average: $350*

**Diane and Jeff Johnson Scholarship**
For high school graduates who are residents of Goshen; *Two $3,500 awards*
**Please Note:** Academic excellence is not considered in awarding this scholarship

**Earle R. Julian Scholarship**
For past graduates of St. Anthony School, in Winsted, who plan to pursue a career in accounting. *Award average: $325*

**Kenneth K. Mills Scholarship**
For graduating seniors of Shepaug Valley High School who will be attending Rutgers University. *Multi-year award averaging $500 per year*

**Donald F. and Norma K. Mougnot Scholarship**
For graduating seniors of The Gilbert School, Northwestern Regional High School, Oliver Wolcott Technical High School, Torrington Christian Academy, Torrington High School or Wamogo Regional High School with a preference given for past graduates of St. Peter/St. Francis School. *Award average: $2,000*

**Shepard Family Scholarship**
For students who live in the Community Foundation’s *20-town service area and are entering any year of undergraduate or graduate school. The scholarship is also open to individuals attending or planning to attend a non-degree program, adult education or continuing education program and/or primary and secondary school students attending a private primary or secondary institution. Preference is given to graduating seniors at Wamogo Regional High School. *Award average: $300-$1,500*
Southwest School Scholarship (in Memory of Marion Wm. Edwards)
For Torrington High School graduating seniors who graduated from Southwest Elementary School; Award average: $250

Douglas and Janet Roberts Scholarship
For students who live in Barkhamsted and are entering any year of undergraduate or graduate school. Award range: TBD

Apolonia Stanulis Scholarship
For students who live in the Community Foundation’s *20-town service area and are entering any year of undergraduate or graduate school. Award range: $300-$1,500

SVNA Educational Enrichment Program Scholarship
Consistent with the SVNA’s mission to provide the best home health, hospice and preventative care, this scholarship supports health care professionals pursuing continued education in a health care field, except Pre Med, who reside in Canaan, Cornwall, Goshen, Kent, Norfolk, North Canaan, Salisbury, Sharon or Warren. $10,000 per year for up to 4 years

SVNA Health Care Related Educational Scholarship
Consistent with the SVNA’s mission to provide the best home health, hospice and preventative care, this scholarship supports students residing in Canaan, Cornwall, Goshen, Kent, Norfolk, North Canaan, Salisbury, Sharon or Warren who plan to pursue a career in healthcare with the exception of pre-med. Three $10,000 awards, renewable up to 5 years

Albert C. and Rose Turri Scholarship
Established in memory of Albert C. Turri, for students living in the Community Foundation’s *20-town service area who are pursuing a two- or four-year degree in electrical engineering or electronics. Two $1,000 awards

United Nations Association of Connecticut Scholarship
This fund awards scholarships to current high school students who will enroll in an accredited two or four year undergraduate institution and who demonstrate academic excellence, a clear commitment to engagement in international issues, participate in Model UN or similar program and study a foreign language. Scholarships will be awarded to students whose primary residence is within the state of Connecticut, excluding those whose primary residence is in Hartford County. Average award: $2,000-$3,000
William and Sally Vaun Scholarship
Established by Norfolk resident Sally Vaun, this scholarship is awarded to students who live in the Community Foundation’s *20-town service area and are pursuing a degree in medicine, both human or veterinary, or environmental studies, with an emphasis on ecology and conservation sciences. Average award: $1,500

James P. and Mildred Gregg Zucco Scholarship
For graduating seniors from the Gilbert School, Regional District #7 High School or Oliver Wolcott Vocational-Technical School and previous recipients of the scholarship with special emphasis on contributions to school, church and/or community. Average award: $750

The following scholarships have separate applications and differing requirements:

Russell Anderson, Carmen Brooks Anderson and Henry Vail Brooks Scholarship
For Torrington High School graduating seniors and first-year college students who received this scholarship as a high school senior. Preference is given to students who have been accepted into a pre-medical program pursuant to a Doctor of Medicine; students who have been accepted into an industrial arts education program; or students accepted into a nursing program. Selection is based on financial need, academic excellence, character and citizenship. THS graduating seniors applying for this scholarship must submit the THS application to the THS Guidance Office; first-year college students who received this scholarship as a high school senior and are reapplying must submit an application through the Community Foundation’s online application. Average award: $2,300. ($24,000 awarded in previous academic year)

Cornwall Conservation Trust Scholarship
For graduating seniors of Regional District #1 High School or college students who are residents of Region 1. Preference will be given to Cornwall residents. To be considered, candidates must possess a profound concern for the environment as demonstrated by participation in ecological, forestry, FFA or biological activities. This scholarship requires the Cornwall Conservation Trust Scholarship Application available through the Region 1 guidance office, online at www.cornwallconservationtrust.org or by writing to: CCT, P.O. Box 74, West Cornwall, CT 06796. Award: Up to $1,000
Friends of John Ponte Memorial Scholarship
For graduating seniors from Lewis S. Mills High School and Torrington High School who exemplify, through their participation in athletics, the qualities and interests of the late John Ponte, including leadership skills and exemplary character. Torrington High School applicants must demonstrate participation in baseball and/or football. This scholarship requires a separate application available from your high school guidance office or via the Community Foundation’s website, www.northwestcf.org. This scholarship is not need-based. (No FAFSA required) Awards: four $500 awards; two from Lewis S. Mills High School and two from Torrington High School

Torrington High School Scholarships
Multiple scholarships are available for graduating seniors from Torrington High School. Selection is based on financial need, scholastic excellence, character, citizenship/service, acceptance at an institution of higher learning and co-curricular and community involvement. The scholarship application is available through the THS guidance office.

Torrington UNICO Scholarships
Multiple scholarships with varying eligibility criteria are available for graduating seniors and college-level students who reside in Northwest Connecticut. These scholarships require the UNICO scholarship application available through your high school guidance office; via the Community Foundation’s website, www.northwestcf.org/scholarship-applications; or by writing to: Torrington UNICO, P.O. Box 175, Torrington, CT 06790.