

The Vancouver Trinity Lutheran Foundation General Scholarship Fund

The Program

The Vancouver Trinity Lutheran Foundation (the "Trinity Lutheran Foundation") Scholarship Fund was established to encourage and help finance higher education for active participants in Trinity Lutheran Church life.

The Trinity Lutheran Foundation administers the Scholarship Fund. The Scholarship Committee is appointed by the Trinity Lutheran Foundation Board.

The principal dollar amount is contained in a trust fund and it will remain intact throughout the life of the fund. Only accumulated interest earned may be used for scholarships.

The total amount of the scholarships in any given year may not exceed the amount of accumulated interest earned during the calendar year preceding the awards, plus any unused amounts from previous years. If the total available interest is not awarded in any calendar year, the unused amount will be carried forward and granted in subsequent years.

Eligibility

Applicants must be active participants in Trinity Lutheran Church life. Applicants may be graduating high school seniors, high school graduates, college undergraduates or college graduates enrolled or planning to enroll in a full-time or part-time course of study at an accredited college, university, or trade school.

Scholarship Awards

The scholarship awards will be made for each academic year for up to 5 years of undergraduate study. Smaller awards may be granted for graduate studies. Special attention will be given in support of seminary students.

Applications

Students must complete the application online at <http://trinityvancouver.org> by **midnight January 31st**. Applicants are solely responsible for gathering and submitting all necessary information. All information submitted is confidential and will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee.

In the event an applicant fails to submit a completed application by January 31st, and the student is otherwise qualified to receive an award and there are funds remaining for the year, the amount granted will be reduced by 50% of what would have been awarded had they been timely.

NOTE: [Link to apply only available during scholarship application window \(December 1 – January 31\)](#).

Participant Selection

Scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of active participation in Trinity Lutheran Church life, academic achievement, demonstrated leadership, work experience, statement of educational career goals and participation in church and community activities.

All graduation high school applicants and first-time applicants will be afforded a personal interview.

Payment of Awards

Scholarship awards, recommended by the Scholarship Committee and authorized by the Trinity Lutheran Foundation, are made payable to the school for the student.

Applicants will be notified, usually by March 31, as to the Foundation's decision.

Obligations

Scholarship recipients must enroll in their education programs no later than the fall of the year in which their awards are given. Students are required to provide the Trinity Lutheran Foundation notification of any changes of school enrollment or other pertinent information.

Recipients are also required to submit a letter each year to the Scholarship Committee, no later than **October 31st** outlining their current year progress. This can be submitted online at <http://trinityvancouver.org>. **Failure to provide this information by the deadline may result in a reduction of the award amount for the following year.**

Revision Policy

The general conditions and procedures under which scholarships are granted are subject to periodic review by the Trinity Lutheran Scholarship Committee and the Trinity Lutheran Foundation.

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