



The Family & Children's Services of Lebanon County Fund of The Foundation for Enhancing Communities provides financial scholarships for Lebanon County residents pursuing higher education degrees in social sciences and human services. The scholarships are granted to students enrolled in schools of advanced education in the fields of medicine, nursing, social work, mental health, and other specialized therapies in the treatment of physical and mental disabilities. Awards may be for up to four or five years, with the exception being LPN students at the Lebanon County Career and Technology Center in one year or eighteen month programs.

## ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. Resident of Lebanon County
2. Financial need
3. Academic aptitude and achievement
4. Commitment to a career in human services
5. Must be enrolled as full-time or part-time students in an accredited undergraduate post-secondary educational institution (*awards will not be made for graduate studies*)
6. Must be pursuing a degree in the field of social sciences or human services

## HOW TO APPLY

The application process is online. You can access and submit the application beginning January 1.

[Click here](#) to access the online application.

*If you are signing back in to complete your application, please [click here](#).*

**Before accessing the application, be prepared to attach the following items:**

**\*\* YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO SUCCESSFULLY SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION UNTIL THESE ITEMS ARE ATTACHED \*\***

1. Student Resume: [Click here](#) to download the fill-in Word document that you should complete, save, and attach to your application.
2. FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR): Please attach the report in its entirety. This report must include the Estimated Family Contribution (EFC). Please be aware that the SAR is **not** the same as the Summary Report. In addition to the SAR, you may also provide a letter with information you believe will be useful in determining your financial need (e.g., family and student income). Are there extenuating circumstances of which we should be aware? For example, illness in the family, loss of employment, or other relevant information?
3. Personal Essay: Explain your educational and career goals. 300 words maximum, typewritten, 12 pt. font, double spaced.

**The following requirements must be emailed to [scholarshipapplications@tfec.org](mailto:scholarshipapplications@tfec.org) separately. These items will not appear as attachments to your online application or prevent you from submitting:**

**The following requirements must be emailed by your school's counseling office:**

1. *Official Transcript.* Home schooled students should submit a detailed grade report.
2. *School Counselor Form.* [Click here](#) to download the form. **Current college students are not required to submit a School Counselor Form. Your college or university Official Transcript should be sent by mail or email directly from your college or university.**

**The following requirements must be emailed by your personal references:**

1. *One (1) Personal Reference Letter.* The Letter should be from someone who can speak on behalf of your commitment to a career in human services. Letters from family members will not be accepted. **All reference letters must remain confidential.**

## RENEWABILITY

Recipients of this scholarship may reapply. Students must submit a renewal application in order to be reconsidered by the scholarship committee.

### **Before accessing the renewal application, be prepared to attach the following items:**

1. Student Resume: [Click here](#) to download the fill-in Word document that you should complete, save, and attach to your application.
2. FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR): Please attach the report in its entirety. This report must include the Estimated Family Contribution (EFC). Please be aware that the SAR is **not** the same thing as the Summary Report. In addition to the SAR, you may also provide a letter with information you believe will be useful in determining your financial need (e.g., family and student income). Are there extenuating circumstances of which we should be aware? For example, illness in the family, loss of employment, or other relevant information?
3. Personal Essay: Summarize your previous year(s) of college and discuss how your experiences have or have not changed your goals for the future. 300 words maximum, typewritten, 12 pt. font, double spaced.

**Your Official Transcript must be mailed or sent as a certified PDF emailed directly from your university.** It is your responsibility to ensure that your transcript is received by the deadline. The transcript **must be received** by the deadline, **not postmarked**.

#### **Mail Official Transcript to:**

The Foundation for Enhancing Communities  
Family & Children's Services of Lebanon County Fund  
Attn: Ash Morley, Scholarship Associate  
200 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Harrisburg, PA 17101

#### **OR**

#### **Email Official Transcript to:**

[scholarshipapplications@tfec.org](mailto:scholarshipapplications@tfec.org)  
Ash Morley, Scholarship Associate

**If you received a scholarship from the Family & Children's Services of Lebanon County Fund last year,** [click here](#) to access the online renewal application. If you are unsure if you qualify as a renewal applicant, please contact Ash Morley, Scholarship Associate, at [amorley@tfec.org](mailto:amorley@tfec.org).

## MATCHING AWARD OPPORTUNITIES

*AES/PHEAA's PATH Program:* Scholarship recipients are eligible to have their awards matched on a dollar-for-dollar basis by AES/PHEAA's *PATH ("Partnerships for Access to Higher Education") Program*. PHEAA may grant matching funds to scholarship recipients who are enrolled in an approved Pennsylvania college or career school as an undergraduate student on at least a half-time basis, who are a Pennsylvania state grant recipient and who demonstrate financial need. Students must also be a resident of Pennsylvania, not in default on any educational loans, maintain academic progress, and not be considered an incarcerated student. The match provides last-dollar support for tuition and fees. *Scholarship funds used for reimbursement of textbook purchases are not eligible for a PATH Program match.* The scholarship recipient's information is submitted to PHEAA by TFEC staff. No additional work will be asked of the scholarship recipient. For more information regarding AES/PHEAA, please refer to their website at [www.pheaa.org](http://www.pheaa.org).