

## **ROTARY CLUB OF ASHEVILLE – WEST / JOHN MAGGARD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

### Fact Sheet

#### **DESCRIPTION**

John Maggard was a member of the Rotary Club of Asheville – West, from August 1, 1988 until December 31, 1996. For many years prior, he had served as the chair of the marketing department at Miami University of Ohio. When he moved to Asheville, Maggard joined the Rotary Club of Asheville – West, and became the primary moving force behind the establishment of its scholarship fund and programs. Maggard knew the importance of education in the modern world and worked tirelessly in seeing that young people had every opportunity to participate in the educational system. Upon his passing, the Club's board voted to name the scholarship given to students at Clyde A. Erwin High School as the John Maggard Memorial Scholarship in his honor, since it was the first scholarship that this Rotary Club had sponsored.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

One (1) one-time \$500 scholarship will be available this year.

The Rotary Club of Asheville – West / John Maggard Memorial Scholarship seeks to assist Clyde A. Erwin High School students with the continuation of their education. Students can be of average, good or excellent scholastic standing, so long as they can demonstrate the likelihood of success at their chosen post-secondary institutions. Applicants must be legal residents of Buncombe County, North Carolina, and enrolled seniors at Clyde A. Erwin High School.

The Community Foundation scholarships will be awarded without regard to age, race, national origin, ethnicity, gender, disability, sexual orientation, political affiliation, religious belief, or any other characteristic protected by law.

#### **SELECTION CRITERIA**

Preference will be given to students with:

- academic promise based on their abilities;
- demonstrated financial need;
- a desire to succeed; and
- evidence of involvement with their school and community.

#### **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

To apply, students must complete an application available in the office of the guidance/college counselor of Clyde A. Erwin High School. The application with required attachments (see application checklist) must be returned to the high school guidance department on or before the deadline stated on the application.

#### **ESSAY OR EQUIVALENT**

An essay is not required for this scholarship.

## **SELECTION PROCESS**

A school committee of at least three (3) persons will select three (3) semifinalists, whose applications, including all attachments, will be forwarded by the school's guidance office to The Community Foundation. A Scholarship Committee of The Community Foundation will review all finalist applications and select a recipient, based upon the stated criteria. All finalists will receive written notification, and the recipient will be announced in May pending approval by The Community Foundation's Board of Directors.

## **PAYMENT OF AWARDS**

Payment of scholarship awards will be made directly to the school at the beginning of the freshman year.

The recipient will receive a payment designation form from the Foundation in the summer. Payments will be issued after the Foundation receives the completed form, but no earlier than the end of July. Awards are for the full academic year, and as such are split between the fall and spring terms.

Students must notify The Community Foundation of the receipt of any other educational grants or scholarship assistance as soon as the student receives notification of those awards.

The scholarship recipient must provide The Community Foundation with an official transcript from the school she attended at the end of the school year for which a scholarship is received. An official transcript is one obtained from the school (not online) which bears an official school seal.

**DOWNLOAD THE COMMON SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION,  
CONTACT THE CLYDE A. ERWIN HIGH SCHOOL GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT  
FOR AN APPLICATION,  
OR FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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