

Charlottesville Community Scholarship Program

The Charlottesville Community Scholarship Program was established to assist Charlottesville employees and residents who would like to further their education after high school but who do not have the financial resources to achieve their goals. Scholarships are awarded to low and moderate income candidates who have attended Charlottesville public schools or who are employed by the City and who are in need of financial assistance to pay for expenses at an accredited two- or four-year college or technical school. To apply for a scholarship grant, a candidate must:

1. be a resident or employee of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia
2. be a graduating senior or graduate from Charlottesville High School, Jackson P. Burley, or Lane High School, or have obtained a GED, or completed an Individual Student Alternative Plan at CATEC (see note below)
3. be accepted at an accredited two- or four-year college or technical school
4. complete the scholarship application
5. complete a financial aid application that demonstrates financial need and provide an award letter from an educational institution detailing the amount of financial aid that the applicant is eligible to receive from that school
6. be a citizen of the United States or hold a permanent resident visa

Note: Employees of the City of Charlottesville, including the Charlottesville Public Schools, need not reside in Charlottesville or have met the requirements in No. 2 above.

Selection

Applications for the Charlottesville Community Scholarship Fund and supporting documents must be postmarked by **March 1**. In evaluating applications, the committee will consider past academic performance, employment history, life experiences, and any special circumstances noted by the Applicant or persons serving as references.

Factors that are taken into account in determining financial eligibility and the amount of scholarship assistance to be offered include annual income and assets, as well as other resources available to the student and/or to the person claiming the student as a dependent; the tuition and expenses associated with attendance; and the total financial aid package offered by the applicant's college or technical school.

Scholarship Conditions

Distribution of scholarship awards will be contingent upon proof of enrollment. Recipients will also be expected to participate in an appropriate mentoring program as required by the CCSF Board of Directors and to make satisfactory progress in their studies. While students may use the scholarship to attend colleges and technical schools outside the Charlottesville area, they must continue to hold such ties to the city of Charlottesville as to make it their permanent residence.

Send completed applications to: Charlottesville Community Scholarship Program
P. O. Box 1221
Charlottesville VA 22902

