



Scholarship Program 2012

*Serving traditional and nontraditional New River Valley
students pursuing higher education*

**Application Deadline:
Applications must be received by
February 6, 2012**

The Community Foundation of the New River Valley
P.O. Box 6009
Christiansburg, VA 24068
540-381-8999

The Community Foundation of the New River Valley
Keeping Charitable Dollars at Home for the Permanent Benefit the New River Valley



Mission

The mission of the Community Foundation of the New River Valley is to enrich the community by providing professional management services to donors for their charitable causes, awarding visionary grants and scholarships, and nurturing collaborations in the community.

About the Community Foundation:

Total Assets

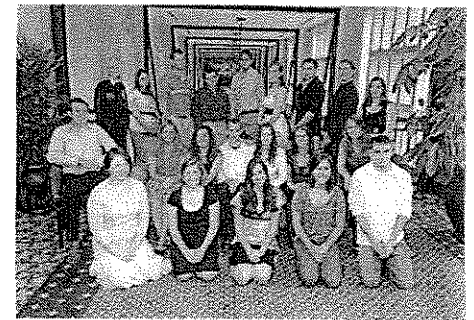
\$6.2 million

Number of Component Funds

125

Board of Directors

- 21 volunteer members from throughout the New River Valley
- 33 former directors and community advisors



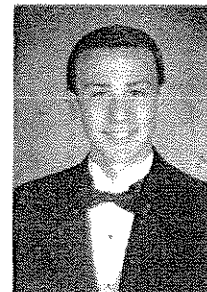
Grants to New River Valley Non-Profits

- Awarded more than \$1.5 million in the last decade to more than 367 different non-profits

About the Scholarship Program of the Community Foundation:

Scholarships

- Awarded first scholarship in 2002
- Assets of \$550,000 invested
- Awarded more than \$141,000 in scholarships
- In May 2011, 27 New River Valley students received scholarships totaling over \$33,000.00



Areas Served

- City of Galax
- City of Radford
- Floyd County
- Giles County
- Grayson County
- Montgomery County
- Pulaski County



The Community Foundation Scholarship Program

The Community Foundation strives to enhance the quality of life in the New River Valley by administering endowed funds established by donors and by making grants from these funds. The Foundation is also becoming increasingly active in developing scholarship funds to support New River Valley applicants interested in attending an accredited two- or four-year college, university, or post-high school vocational institution. Generous donors have established scholarship funds with the Foundation over the last several years. Details on each of these scholarships are included in this booklet, along with a general application.

The Community Foundation encourages high school students and applicants with diverse backgrounds to apply. Nontraditional students, as defined below, are strongly encouraged to apply also.

Interested applicants should review the eligibility requirements for each of the scholarships and carefully follow the application procedure. For more information, contact your high school guidance counselor or call the Community Foundation of the New River Valley at (540) 381-8999. Applications can be downloaded from the website <http://www.cfnrv.org/>.

The Community Foundation publicizes all scholarship awards through regional newspapers and the Community Foundation website, newsletter, Annual Meeting, and other events.

Finally, members of the Community Foundation Scholarship Committee are available to answer questions and offer guidance to all scholarship recipients throughout their academic careers. Committee members are dedicated to helping all recipients make the most of their experiences while in college.

Glossary of Student Status:

Independent Student:

- Be 24 years of age or older by December 31 of the award year
- Be an orphan (both parents deceased), ward of the court, or was a ward of the court until the age of 18
- Be a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States
- Be a married individual
- Have legal dependents other than a spouse
- Be a student for whom a financial aid administrator makes a documented determination of independence by reason of other unusual circumstances

Nontraditional Student:

- Those who have attended alternative education programs
- Those who have earned a GED
- Adults interested in returning to undergraduate school after time spent in the work force
- Home-schooled students
- Delays enrollment (does not enter post-secondary education in the same calendar year that he or she finished high school)
- Attends an educational institution part time for at least part of the academic year
- Works full time (35 hours or more per week) while enrolled
- Is considered financially independent for purposes of determining eligibility for financial aid
- Has dependents other than a spouse (usually children, but sometimes others)
- Is a single parent (either not married or married but separated and has dependents)

How to Apply for a Scholarship

- **STEP 1 : All Students MUST complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).**

All students applying for federal or state financial aid and/or for private aid such as the Community Foundation scholarships listed here **MUST** complete the FAFSA.

** Instructions on how to complete the FAFSA and the documents required are available online at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

Online Application: Use FAFSA online to complete and submit the financial aid application electronically at www.fafsa.ed.gov. If W-2 form is not available, **tax information can be estimated!!**

- **STEP 2 : Send a complete copy of the Student Aid Report (SAR) to the Community Foundation as soon as it is received from FAFSA.**

Students who do not file a financial aid form with FAFSA and send a copy of the SAR to the Community Foundation **will not be considered for a scholarship.

- **STEP 3 : Fill out the Community Foundation scholarship application form and indicate only the scholarship(s) for which you are ELIGIBLE. The completed application is due by February 6, 2012.**

High School Students: Please turn in your application to your guidance counselor by February 6, 2012.

*Guidance counselors must have packets to CFNRV office by Monday, February 13, 2012.

All other applicants should mail their applications to the Community Foundation at the address below. Applications must be **received by** February 6, 2012, not postmarked by then.

Be sure to fill out the form completely and include any attachments such as recommendation letters. **Incomplete applications or late applications will not be considered.** Please contact the Community Foundation to make sure your application has been received.

Mail the application to the Community Foundation at the address below:

<p>Community Foundation of the New River Valley P.O. Box 6009 Christiansburg, Virginia 24068-6009</p>

Frequently Asked Questions

How much does it cost to apply for a scholarship?

There is no charge to apply.

Can I apply to more than one scholarship?

Yes; you may apply to all the funds **for which you are eligible** and may be selected as a recipient of more than one scholarship. You may also apply for scholarships from other sources. Check with your school guidance counselor for other possibilities.

Do I need to pay scholarship money back?

Unlike student loans, these scholarships do not need to be repaid.

If I am awarded a scholarship, do I receive the check?

No; checks are sent directly to your college, university, or post-secondary vocational school after July 1st.

****If I receive a scholarship one year, will I automatically receive the award the following year?**

Scholarships are not automatically renewed. You must reapply each year by submitting a new application, with a current, official transcript and all other required documents.

When will I be notified if I am selected for a scholarship?

Scholarship recipients will be notified in May and scholarship awards are presented at the Foundation Annual Meeting in May.

What do scholarship funds typically cover?

Scholarship funds can be used for tuition, books, fees, and other appropriate educational expenses.

Does the Community Foundation fund graduate students?

No; not at this time.

If I want to send a thank you note, where do I send it?

The Foundation strongly encourages all scholarship recipients to extend their gratitude to donors who generously provide higher education scholarship assistance. Address a thank you note to "Scholarship Committee," name of the scholarship you received, and mail it to:

Community Foundation of the New River Valley
PO Box 6009
Christiansburg, VA 24068-6009

The Community Foundation of the New River Valley Scholarship Funds



* Review the eligibility and application requirements for each scholarship fund carefully before completing this application.

Auxiliary of Radford Community Hospital/CNRVMC Scholarship Fund:

Eligibility:

- Applicants pursuing a career in nursing or a related health profession (excluding those who intend to become physicians)
- Applicants from the counties of Floyd, Giles, Montgomery, and Pulaski, and the City of Radford
- High school graduates or students with a GED

Evaluation Criteria:

- Financial need
- Average or above average academic ability

Additional Information:

- This scholarship is renewable

Typical Scholarship Award: \$1,000

Skip Bishop Scholarship Fund:

Eligibility:

- Applicants from **Floyd County High School** only
- Applicants pursuing post-secondary education at any college (2 or 4 year) or any university

Evaluation Criteria:

- Documented financial need
- Minimum grade point average of 3.0 on 4.0 scale
- Documented participation as a student athlete in any high school sport

Typical Scholarship Award: \$500

T. Scott Eaton Scholarship Fund:

Eligibility:

- Applicants pursuing a post-secondary degree in theater or fine arts
- Applicants from the counties of Floyd, Giles, Montgomery, and Pulaski, and the City of Radford

Evaluation Criteria:

- Financial need

- Minimum grade point average of 2.0 on 4.0 scale

Typical Scholarship Award: \$500

Epperly Family Fund:

Eligibility:

- **Eastern Montgomery High School students only**
- Applicants pursuing education at a college, university, or post-secondary vocational school

Evaluation Criteria:

- Financial need
- Average academic ability (grade point average should not exceed 3.2 on 4.0 scale)
- Preference is given to students employed while in high school

Additional Information:

- This scholarship is renewable

Typical Scholarship Award: \$500

Jim Gwazdauskas Memorial Scholarship Fund:

Eligibility:

- Applicant must have been a member of the **Blacksburg High School men's soccer team**
- Applicants pursuing post-secondary education at any trade or technical school, college (2 or 4 year), or any university

Evaluation Criteria:

- Demonstrated ability and strong commitment to better oneself by continuing one's education
- Academic achievement is required but **WILL NOT** be a key determining factor
- Financial need- demonstrating that a scholarship might be a positive determining factor in whether or not recipient pursues a post-secondary education

Additional Information:

- Recipient may receive scholarship from this fund for a second year if he/she maintains passing grades and is matriculated at any trade or technical school, college (2 or 4 year), or any university

Typical Scholarship Award: \$500

Juanita Shelor Hall Memorial Scholarship Fund:

Eligibility:

- **Auburn High School students only**
- Applicants pursuing an undergraduate degree in **Business or Education**

Evaluation Criteria:

- Financial need

- Academic achievement considered

Additional Information:

- This scholarship is renewable

Typical Scholarship Award: \$1,000

Warren Lloyd Holtzman Freedom Scholarship Fund:

Eligibility:

- Applicants pursuing education at a college, university, or post-secondary vocational school

Evaluation Criteria:

- Financial need
- Minimum grade point average of 2.5 on 4.0 scale
- **Note: Applicants must submit an additional essay about the benefits to society of personal freedom, initiative, calculated risk-taking, and a free enterprise system. The essay should be no less than 500 words and no more than 2,000 words.**

Additional Information:

- The purpose of this fund is to support disadvantaged people regardless of race, religion, or sexual orientation

Typical Scholarship Award:

- \$ 900 for a two-year institution
- \$1,800 for a four-year institution

Diana Love Legacy Instrumental Music Scholarship Fund:

Eligibility:

- Students in the Blacksburg High School Band pursuing a career in instrumental music

Evaluation Criteria:

- Financial need
- Demonstrated dedication to high school symphonic and marching bands and musicianship

Typical Scholarship Award: \$1,000

Allen Mandelstamm Scholarship Fund:

Eligibility:

- High school graduates or students with a GED
- Applicants from the counties of Floyd, Giles, Montgomery, and Pulaski, and the City of Radford

- Applicants pursuing a post-secondary degree at a college/university or post- high school college prep institution

Evaluation Criteria:

- Financial need
- Minimum grade point average of a 2.5 on 4.0 scale

Additional Information:

- The purpose of this fund is to support disadvantaged people regardless of race, religion, or sexual orientation

Additional Information:

- This scholarship is renewable

Typical Scholarship Award: \$1,000

Marie Mandelstamm Scholarship Fund:

Eligibility:

- Applicants pursuing post-secondary degree in the **sciences to include math, engineering, biology, and computers**
- Applicants from **Blacksburg, Christiansburg, Eastern Montgomery, and Radford High Schools**

Evaluation Criteria:

- Financial need
- Minimum grade point average of 3.0 on 4.0 scale, especially in the sciences

Additional Information:

- The purpose of this fund is to support disadvantaged people regardless of race, religion, or sexual orientation
- This scholarship is renewable

Typical Scholarship Award: \$1,000 - \$2,000

A. Phillip Meadows Leadership Scholarship:

Eligibility:

- Applicants pursuing a post-secondary degree at **Virginia Tech**
- Applicants from the counties of **Floyd, Giles, Montgomery, and Pulaski, and the City of Radford and Hinton, WV**

Evaluation Criteria:

- Financial need
- Strong academic achievement
- Demonstrated leadership qualities and strong potential for continued growth and development

- Active involvement and participation in school, church, and/or community service
- Additional Information:**
- This scholarship is renewable

Typical Scholarship Award: \$500

Mary Ann King Peters Memorial Scholarship Fund:

Eligibility:

- Applicants from **Floyd County High School only**
- Applicant must be a member of the **Floyd County girls basketball team**

Evaluation Criteria

- Demonstrated integrity of character, initiative, leadership, and good sportsmanship
- Financial need
- Demonstrated an ability to better herself and a commitment to do so by continuing her education
- Demonstrated academic achievement sufficient to enable her to gain admission into any trade or technical school, college, or university

Typical Scholarship Award: \$1,000

Plummer Family Scholarship:

Eligibility:

- Applicants must be from **Grayson County High School or Galax High School**
- Applicants pursuing a post-secondary degree at a college, technical school, art school, community college, or any university located in Virginia, North Carolina, or Tennessee

Evaluation Criteria:

- Financial need
- Minimum grade point average of 3.0 on 4.0 point scale
- Good moral character
- Participation in extracurricular activities
- **Note: Applicants must submit an additional essay on “What positive contribution do you plan to make to humanity?”**

Additional Information:

- Recipient may receive scholarship from this fund for a second and a third year if he/she maintains a grade point average of 3.0 on 4.0 scale where 4.0 is a grade of A and is matriculated at any trade or technical school, college (2 or 4 year), or any university in Virginia, North Carolina, or Tennessee

Typical Scholarship Award: \$2,000

Adrienne Marie Rhudy Memorial Scholarship Fund:

Eligibility:

- Applicants from the counties of Floyd, Giles, Montgomery, Pulaski, and Grayson and the City of Radford
- Applicants pursuing a post-secondary degree at a 2- or 4-year college or university

Evaluation Criteria:

- **Demonstrated ability to overcome adversity**
- Minimum grade point average of 2.5 on 4.0 scale
- **Note: Applicants must submit an additional essay demonstrating his/her ability to overcome adversity and to be strengthened thereby. Please title and mention the name of this scholarship in your essay.**

Additional Information:

- This scholarship is renewable

Typical Scholarship Award: \$1,700

Evelyn Rutrough Memorial Scholarship

Eligibility:

- Applicants must be from **Floyd County High School** only
- Applicants pursuing post-secondary degree in the **teacher education or nursing**

Evaluation Criteria:

- Financial need
- Strength of character
- Minimum grade point average of 2.5 on 4 point scale

Additional Information:

- Recipient may receive scholarships from this fund for a second year if he/she maintains passing grades and is matriculated at any trade or technical school, college (2 or 4 year), or any university

Typical Scholarship Award: \$2,000

Eric E. Sutphin Memorial Scholarship Fund:

Eligibility:

- Applicants must have parent or legal guardian who is a law enforcement officer serving in New River Valley

- Applicants pursuing post-secondary education at any college (2 or 4 year),any university, or any accredited vocational or technical program

Evaluation Criteria:

- Documented financial need
- Minimum grade point average of 2.5 on 4.0 scale or equivalent academic achievement

Typical Scholarship Award: \$500

Woodrow and Elma Turman Scholarship Fund:

Eligibility:

- Applicants from Floyd County High School only
- Applicants pursuing post-secondary education at any trade or technical school, college (2 or 4 year), or any university

Evaluation Criteria:

- Demonstrated ability and strong commitment to better oneself by continuing one's education
- Academic achievement is required but **WILL NOT** be a key determining factor
- Financial need - demonstrating that a scholarship might be a positive determining factor in whether or not recipient pursues a post-secondary education

Additional Information:

- Recipient may receive scholarship from this fund for a second year if he/she maintains passing grades and is matriculated at any trade or technical school, college (2 or 4 year), or any university

Typical Scholarship Award: \$500

Wings Fund:

Eligibility:

- Applicants from the counties of Floyd, Giles, Montgomery, and Pulaski, and the City of Radford
- Applicants pursuing education at a college (2 or 4 year), university, or post-secondary vocational school
- **Older and nontraditional students are encouraged to apply**

Evaluation Criteria:

- Financial need

Additional Information:

- This scholarship is renewable

Typical Scholarship Award: \$1,000

Required Documentation for Both New and Renewal Applicants

Please check to confirm that your application is complete. Incomplete applications will not be considered. You may consider having another person review your completed application before submitting it to the Foundation.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Foundation application
<input type="checkbox"/> Financial Statement pg. 17
<input type="checkbox"/> Parent/Student Affirmation pg. 18
<input type="checkbox"/> FAFSA must be completed and SAR attached

<input type="checkbox"/> For current high school students, send official high school transcript

<input type="checkbox"/> For current college students, send official, current college transcript | <input type="checkbox"/> If nontraditional student, send resume

<input type="checkbox"/> Two (2) letters of recommendation are enclosed

<input type="checkbox"/> Student essay is enclosed

<input type="checkbox"/> Additional essays required for each of these funds: Holtzman, Plummer, and Rhudy funds |
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The Community Foundation of the New River Valley Scholarship Application Form Application Deadline: February 6, 2012



Name: _____

School currently attending: _____

Last 4 Digits of SS# _____

Student's Full Name:			**Required: Last 4 digits of Applicant's Social Security Number:		
Street Address:			Apt. No:		
City:	State	Zip	Home Phone:	Cell Phone:	

Email Address:		Applicant's Date of Birth	
U.S. Citizen? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Race:
Applicant's Current School		Graduation Date	Grade Point Average:
Intended College		Major:	
Are you the first one in family to attend college? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			

The Community Foundation of the New River Valley Scholarship Application Form, cont.

Review the eligibility and application requirements for each scholarship fund carefully before completing the scholarship application. After reviewing the eligibility requirements, place an **X** in the box to the left of the scholarship(s) for which you are eligible. You may apply for more than one scholarship.

	Auxiliary of Radford Community Hospital/CNRVMC Scholarship Fund	Marie Mandelstamm Scholarship Fund
	Skip Bishop Scholarship Fund	A. Phillip Meadows Leadership Scholarship
	T. Scott Eaton Scholarship Fund	Mary Ann King Peters Memorial Scholarship Fund
	Epperly Family Fund	Plummer Family Scholarship **Additional essay required, see page 10
	Jim Gwazdauskas Memorial Scholarship Fund	Adrienne Marie Rhudy Memorial Scholarship Fund ** Additional essay required, see page 11
	Juanita Shelor Hall Memorial Scholarship Fund	Evelyn Rutrough Memorial Scholarship
	Warren Lloyd Holtzman Freedom Scholarship Fund ** Additional essay required, see p. 8	Eric. E. Sutphin Memorial Scholarship Fund
	Diana Love Legacy Instrumental Music Scholarship Fund	Woodrow and Elma Turman Scholarship Fund
	Allen Mandelstamm Scholarship Fund	Wings Fund

OTHER COLLEGES YOU HAVE APPLIED TO:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____

**The Community Foundation of the New River Valley
Scholarship Application Form, cont.**

HONORS AND AWARDS YOU HAVE RECEIVED, INCLUDING OFFICES HELD

1. _____ DATE _____
2. _____ DATE _____
3. _____ DATE _____
4. _____ DATE _____
5. _____ DATE _____
6. _____ DATE _____

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

1. _____ DATE _____
2. _____ DATE _____
3. _____ DATE _____
4. _____ DATE _____
5. _____ DATE _____
6. _____ DATE _____

EMPLOYMENT

1. _____ DATE _____
2. _____ DATE _____
3. _____ DATE _____
4. _____ DATE _____
5. _____ DATE _____

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

A. All applicants must complete and include the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

In addition to the FAFSA, please complete the following required information. Please check with the glossary on page 2 for Student Status.

B. TO BE COMPLETED BY PARENT OR GUARDIAN (Parts B & C)

- If applicant is a dependent student, parents fill out sections B1-B3 and Part C.
- If applicant is independent student, fill out sections B4 and B5 and Part C on self and spouse, if appropriate.

1. PARENTS: Married Divorced Separated Widowed

a. Father/Stepfather _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

Occupation: _____

Annual Income: _____

b. Mother/Stepmother: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

Occupation: _____

Annual Income: _____

c. Guardian: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

Occupation: _____

Annual Income: _____

2. Total Number of Dependent Children in Household: _____

Ages: _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____

3. Number of Foster Children Living in Household _____

4. **Independent student** _____ Age: _____

Occupation: _____

Annual Income: _____

5. **Spouse** _____ Age: _____

Occupation: _____

Annual Income: _____

C. **PARENTS OR INDEPENDENT STUDENTS**

Please list any assets you may have and any liability associated with it

Assets – what you own	Liabilities - what you owe
<u>Example:</u> House:	<u>Example:</u> House Payment/ Rent:
Car(s):	Car Payment(s):

***APPLICANT AND/OR PARENT AFFIRMATION**

Both student and parent or guardian must read the following statement and sign as indicated:

I/We affirm that the information provided on this application is accurate to the best of my/our knowledge. I/We understand that misrepresentation may constitute fraud, which may result in the loss of eligibility for this scholarship or have other legal consequences. I/We give permission to the Scholarship Committee of the Community Foundation to review student transcripts, test scores, and other pertinent information.

Signature of Student

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian (if under 18)

Date

*** If you are a high school student, submit your application to the guidance counselor's office by no later than 3 pm on Monday, February 6, 2012!!**

***If you are a college student, mail your application to the Community Foundation.**

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*****You are responsible for making sure your application has been received.**