



## List of Scholarship Program Funds

The following component funds support the **Manistee County Community Foundation Scholarship Program**. This list may change from time to time through the generosity of our donors and at the discretion of the Community Foundation Board of Directors. Contact [scholarships@manisteefoundation.org](mailto:scholarships@manisteefoundation.org) or call (231) 723-7269 with any questions.

### Robert J. Carlon Scholarship Fund

The Robert J. Carlon Scholarship was established at the Manistee County Community Foundation through the efforts of the Carlon family and Bear Lake Schools to assist students of Bear Lake Schools with furthering their education after high school. The scholarship honors Robert J. Carlon who worked for Bear Lake Schools for more than 24 years as a teacher and administrator, including as Elementary School Principal and Director of Community Education, from 1976 until his retirement in 1998.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria: Applicant must be a graduating senior at Bear Lake High School. Selection is based on academic achievement, leadership qualities in the classroom and in extracurricular activities, and financial need. Applicants may be planning to attend any accredited college, university, or vocational (trade or technical) school.

### CASMAN Academy Scholarship Fund

The CASMAN Academy Scholarship has been made possible through the generosity of CASMAN Academy who established the scholarship fund at the Manistee County Community Foundation to assist students of CASMAN Academy with furthering their education after high school.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria: Graduating seniors at CASMAN Academy who are planning to attend any accredited college, university, or vocational (trade or technical) school are eligible for an award. Academic achievement is not considered. **No scholarship application is used and all students who meet the above criteria shall be considered.**

### Culbert Family Scholarship Fund

The Culbert Family Scholarship Fund was established through the generosity of Thomas and Lois Culbert and assists Manistee High School students with continuing their education after high school. Mr. Culbert served as superintendent for Manistee Area Public Schools for 21 years, from 1965-1986. The Culbert family places a high value on education and encourages students to pursue the field of education or a supporting field. Preference may be given to students who are pursuing study in the field of education or a supporting field including, but not limited to: social work, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, or special education. However, awards will not be limited to these fields. Today the scholarship also serves as a lasting memorial to Thomas and Lois Culbert.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria: Applicants must be graduates or graduating seniors of Manistee High School. Selection is based on financial need, academic achievement (GPA between 2.5 - 3.8), and demonstration of leadership and involvement in serving youth or community. Applicants may be planning to attend any accredited college, university, or vocational (trade or technical) school.

### **Disabled American Veterans Salt City Chapter #43 Scholarship Fund**

This scholarship has been made possible by the generosity of the Disabled American Veterans Salt City Chapter #43 who established the Disabled American Veterans Salt City Chapter #43 Scholarship Fund of the Manistee County Community Foundation. In recognition of the sacrifices made by our military members, the scholarship supports the continuing education of U.S. military veterans, their children, and grandchildren.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria: Applicants must be a veteran, or the descendant of a veteran, and one of the following:

- Graduating senior attending one of the following eligible high schools: Bear Lake High School, Brethren High School, CASMAN Academy, Manistee High School, or Onekama High School
- Student graduating from Early Middle College who originated from an eligible high school or who resides in Manistee County
- Manistee County resident who earned a high school equivalency diploma (GED) or is a graduating senior at a home school, high school located outside of Manistee County, or virtual school
- Current college student or non-traditional student who resides in Manistee County or graduated from an eligible high school

Applicants may be planning to attend any accredited college, university, or vocational (trade or technical) school. Academic achievement and financial need are considered. Priority will be given to applicants who have a service connected disability, or who have a parent, grandparent or great-grandparent who has a service-connected disability. Preference may also be given to children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of veterans who are members of a veterans' organization (e.g., Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion).

### **Cynthia Eble Memorial Scholarship Fund**

The Cynthia Eble Memorial Scholarship Fund was established through the generosity of James Eble in memory of his wife Cindy Eble. Cindy enjoyed a meaningful career as a Dental Assistant for over 30 years and the scholarship encourages others to pursue a career in Dental Assisting.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria: Applicants must be pursuing a degree or certification in Dental Assisting at an accredited program within the State of Michigan and one of the following:

- Graduating senior attending one of the following eligible high schools: Bear Lake High School, Brethren High School, CASMAN Academy, Manistee High School, or Onekama High School
- Student graduating from Early Middle College who originated from an eligible high school or who resides in Manistee County
- Manistee County resident who earned a high school equivalency diploma (GED) or is a graduating senior at a home school, high school located outside of Manistee County, or virtual school
- Current college student or non-traditional student who resides in Manistee County or graduated from an eligible high school

Applicants must have a high school GPA of 2.0 or higher, demonstrate financial need, and plan to enroll in a Dental Assisting degree or certificate program at an accredited college, university, or vocational (trade or technical) school within the State of Michigan. Selection will be based on meeting the above criteria and community involvement.

### **Dr. Robert E. Fitch & Beverly J. Fitch Memorial Scholarship Fund**

In memory of Dr. Robert E. Fitch & Beverly J. Fitch, the scholarship promotes the importance of education in opening doors for the future of Manistee County's youth and recognizes an Onekama High School student for outstanding athletic and academic achievement.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria: Applicant must be a graduating senior at Onekama High School and planning to attend an accredited college, university, or vocational (trade or technical) school within the State of Michigan. Applicants must have earned a GPA of 3.0 or higher and lettered in at least one varsity sport. Selections are based on the above criteria and demonstration of financial need.

### **Gamache Scholarship Fund**

The Gamache Scholarship Fund was established through the generosity of Donna Gamache to help support and encourage area students with furthering their education.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria: Applicants must be one of the following:

- Graduating senior attending one of the following eligible high schools: Bear Lake High School, Brethren High School, CASMAN Academy, Manistee High School, or Onekama High School
- Student graduating from Early Middle College who originated from an eligible high school or who resides in Manistee County
- Manistee County resident who earned a high school equivalency diploma (GED) or is a graduating senior at a home school, high school located outside of Manistee County, or virtual school
- Current college students and non-traditional students who reside in Manistee County or graduated from an eligible high school may also be considered

Applicants must demonstrate financial need and preference will be given to those who demonstrate greatest need. Academic achievements, including but not limited to GPA and standardized test scores, will not be considered. Applicants may be planning to attend any accredited college, university, or vocational (trade or technical) school.

### **Gleason Memorial Scholarship Fund**

William D. Gleason recognized the benefits of continuing one's education after high school and wanted to help more Manistee area students afford the opportunity.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria: Applicant must be a graduating senior at Manistee High School or CASMAN Academy and planning to attend any accredited college, university, or vocational (trade or technical) school. The student must demonstrate financial need. Academic achievement and leadership experience are also taken into consideration.

### Karl and Irene Herrmann Family Scholarship Fund

The Karl and Irene Herrmann Family Scholarship Fund was established by the children of Karl and Irene Herrmann as a way to honor their parents and give back to the community.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria: Applicants must be Manistee County residents and graduating seniors of Bear Lake High School, Brethren High School, CASMAN Academy, Manistee High School, or Onekama High School. Applicants must also demonstrate financial need, have a GPA of 3.0 or higher, demonstrate leadership ability and/or community involvement, and plan to attend any accredited college, university, or vocational (trade or technical) school within the State of Michigan.

### Howard L. Hughes and Patricia A. Hughes Memorial Scholarship Fund

The Howard L. Hughes and Patricia A. Hughes Memorial Scholarship Fund was established in loving memory of Howard and Patricia Hughes who were both professional educators before they retired and moved to Onekama, Michigan.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria: Applicants must be a graduating senior at Onekama High School, have a GPA of 2.5 or higher (preference given to 3.0 or higher), and plan to attend any accredited college, university, or vocational (trade or technical) school. Preference will be given to students pursuing a degree in the field of education but awards will not be limited to this field of study. Financial need is not a consideration.

### Kaleva Community & Finnish Heritage Scholarship Fund

The Kaleva Community & Finnish Heritage Scholarship Fund was established through the generosity of Melvin and Beverly Fennell and encourages graduates of the Kaleva Norman Dickson school district to continue their education after high school. The support Mr. Fennell received from the Kaleva community as a young man and the contributions he sees students making today inspired him to give back to the community himself. The scholarship also seeks to encourage students of the Kaleva Norman School District to be active in serving their community.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria: Applicant must be a graduating senior in the Kaleva Norman School District (Brethren High School) and must have completed their junior and senior years in the district, have a GPA of 2.5 or higher, and plan to attend any accredited college, university, or vocational (trade or technical) school. **Applicants must also submit a one-page essay to the Brethren High School guidance counselor by the March 1st application deadline that describes how they have been actively involved in their community including through volunteering.** Selections are based on financial need, community involvement and volunteering, academic achievement, and leadership.

### Lidtke Scholarship Fund

The Lidtke Scholarship Fund was established through the generosity of Carol Lidtke.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria: Applicants must be graduating seniors or graduates from Bear Lake High School, Brethren High School, CASMAN Academy, Manistee High School or Onekama High School, or have earned a General Education Development (GED) test and reside in Manistee County, or be home-schooled and reside in Manistee County. Applicants must be planning to

enroll in an occupational preparation for employment certificate or degree program at West Shore Community College, or to continue their education following the completion of an occupational certificate or degree program at WSCC, and demonstrate financial need. Preference will be given to those who demonstrate greatest need.

### **Minger Family Endowment Scholarship Fund**

The Minger Family Endowment Scholarship Fund was established through the generosity of Forest R. Minger, Jr, who left a gift through his estate to help support and encourage the pursuit of postsecondary education by area students.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria: Applicants must be one of the following:

- Graduating senior attending one of the following eligible high schools: Bear Lake High School, Brethren High School, CASMAN Academy, Manistee High School, or Onekama High School
- Student graduating from Early Middle College who originated from an eligible high school or who reside in Manistee County
- Manistee County resident who earned a high school equivalency diploma (GED) or is a graduating senior at a home school, high school located outside of Manistee County, or virtual school
- In certain cases, current college students and non-traditional students who reside in Manistee County or graduated from an eligible high school may also be considered

Applicants must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher (preference given to students having a GPA of 3.0 or higher), demonstrate financial need, and plan to enroll at any accredited college or university. Preference will be given to students who are pursuing fields of study including engineering, science, medical, or computer science, but awards will not be limited to these fields of study.

### **Ogilvie Memorial Scholarship Fund**

The Ogilvie Memorial Scholarship Fund was established in fond memory of Doris Ogilvie, former freshman English teacher at Manistee High School for more than twenty years. The scholarship also honors the memory of Doris's husband Gordon and their sons Scott and Gordie.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria: Applicant must be a graduating senior at Manistee High School, have a GPA of 3.0 or higher, and plan to attend any accredited college, university, or vocational (trade or technical) school. Preference will be given to students demonstrating financial need.

### **Doug Schlaff Memorial Scholarship Fund**

The Doug Schlaff Memorial Scholarship was established in loving memory of Doug Schlaff, former guidance counselor, teacher, and coach at Manistee High School.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria: The scholarship recognizes Manistee High School students who demonstrate personal growth over the course of their high school career based on academic performance, maturity, and positive decision making. Students may be planning to attend any accredited college, university, or vocational (trade or technical) school. **No scholarship application is used and all students who meet the above criteria shall be considered.**

## **Elroy and Carol Urbanus Scholarship Fund**

The Elroy Urbanus Scholarship Fund was established to honor the memory of Elroy Urbanus, a 45-year employee of Bear Lake Schools and dedicated member of the Bear Lake community. The fund also honors Carol Urbanus who graduated from Bear Lake Schools and was a teacher there for more than 30 years.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria: Applicants must be graduating seniors at Bear Lake High School, planning to attend any accredited college, university, or vocational (trade or technical) school, planning to enroll in a full-time course of study (12-15 credit hours or the equivalent), and have a GPA of 2.5 or higher. Selections will be based on the above criteria, community involvement, and demonstration of financial need.

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