



Scholarship Funds

Give Students the Opportunity for a Brighter Future

When you establish a scholarship fund through The Dayton Foundation, you open the door for others to pursue their educational dreams while achieving your charitable goals.

One woman's dream was to help African-American youth pursue an education, free of the difficulties she had faced trying to make her own way.



Why Establish a Scholarship Fund?

With a Dayton Foundation scholarship fund, you can help students – from elementary to postgraduate – achieve their educational goals and set them on a path for future success. You may tailor the award to fit your individual preferences, such as supporting students who are graduating from a specific high school, attending a particular college or university, or pursuing a specific field of study.

Each year, more than 1,200 students receive scholarships totaling more than \$1.7 million from 170 scholarship funds at The Dayton Foundation and through the Dayton-Montgomery County Scholarship Program, a fund of the Foundation. For Dayton Foundation scholarships, we make the application process easy for students through ScholarshipCONNECT, an online scholarship management system that includes biographical information about each fund's founder.

Consider a Scholarship Fund if You:

- Want an easy, personalized way to help others pursue their educational dreams.
- Want to support specific educational opportunities, an educational institution or a course of study.

- Wish to memorialize a loved one or honor a special achievement.
- Want to express your company or organization's values by assisting employees or their dependents.

Getting Started Is Easy

Name your fund to recognize you, your family, a friend or an organization. Or, if you prefer, you may choose a name that ensures your anonymity. Our staff will work with you to determine your scholarship guidelines, including eligibility criteria and award use, as well as identify a diverse scholarship selection committee. You may serve on the selection committee, however you must have a minority vote with respect to the selection of award recipients per IRS regulations. We will issue scholarship awards directly to the academic institution the recipient attends.

Once the scholarship is awarded, our staff will track students' performance to ensure that they continue to meet the terms for scholarship support. If your scholarship is renewable, you may

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**Pearl A. Dale and
Audrey Parker
Scholarship Fund**



Born in 1915, Pearl A. Dale understood the importance of getting an education. She also was no stranger to the barriers African-Americans faced in the early 20th century.

After Pearl's parents managed to send her and her two siblings to Kentucky State College, Pearl and her sister, Audrey, moved to Dayton to begin teaching in the Dayton Public Schools and later earned their masters degrees. They enjoyed long careers in education, inspiring others through their teaching. Although they have since passed away, they continue to help students through the Pearl A. Dale and Audrey Parker Scholarship Fund of the African-American Community Fund, a component of The Dayton Foundation.

"Not many people are born into families with money, including me," said Terrell, a scholarship recipient. "Thanks to this scholarship, I am achieving my goal of going to college. I know I will become a successful adult."

review updated information on the progress of the recipient. There also are opportunities to meet your scholarship's recipients, and many schools allow donors to present their scholarships to the students as part of award recognition ceremonies.

Fund Minimum and Fees

A minimum gift of \$25,000 is recommended, which can be made during your lifetime or through your estate plan, such as a bequest in your will or a designation of qualified retirement assets or life insurance policies. We will work with you and your financial or estate-planning advisor to customize a plan for you.

Your donations can grow based on how your fund is invested, so potentially you could have more money for scholarships as time goes by. If you wish to preserve your charitable gifts and intent in perpetuity through a permanent fund, The Dayton Foundation will safeguard your fund's principle.

The Dayton Foundation handles all of the administrative details, including providing you with statements of activity. Fees for scholarship funds vary, so we recommend that you speak with a member of the Foundation's Development staff for more information. 📞

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