

# LANDMARKS SCHOLARSHIP AWARD APPLICATION: 2024

*Building relationships with capable young people who care deeply about the Pittsburgh region*

- *Tell us about a place in Allegheny County that is important to you. Briefly explain the significance of the history, architecture, and/or landscape design of that place. Then, focus on how that place has affected you personally.*

If you can answer this question in an essay of between 500 and 1,500 words and meet the eligibility criteria below, then you may apply for this scholarship to help pay your tuition and book expenses at a college/university of your choice.

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AND CRITERIA

The recipient of the award will receive \$1,500 for his/her first year of undergraduate study to help pay tuition and book expenses. The scholarship award will be renewed each year, with a maximum grant of \$6,000, if the student maintains good academic standing and demonstrates involvement in campus activities. If, for any reason, the recipient leaves school, the remainder of the award will be forfeited.

The prerequisites necessary to apply for the award are as follows:

1. The applicant must live in and attend school in Allegheny County.
2. The applicant must be a high school senior **who has been accepted** to a college or university.
3. The applicant's cumulative Grade Point Average at the end of the first semester senior year must be 3.25 or greater (although exceptions may apply).
4. The award is based on a student's academic achievement; community service/work experience; financial need; and interest in the history, architecture, and/or landscape design of Allegheny County.
5. The applicant must not be related to Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation board members, nor to board members of any of its affiliates, nor to any employees of any of those entities.
6. The applicant must complete this application, submit an essay on the theme stated above, and provide an official high school transcript, a copy of his/her college/university acceptance letter, and two letters of recommendation (including one from a community service representative). These materials must be e-mailed or postmarked by Tuesday, April 16, 2024, to the address given below.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2024**

**E-MAIL:** [marie@phlf.org](mailto:marie@phlf.org)

**MAILING ADDRESS:** Marie Miller, Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation  
100 West Station Square Drive, Suite 450, Pittsburgh, PA 15219-1134

**PLEASE NOTE:** In order for your application to be considered, we must receive all materials by Tuesday, April 16: this completed application (3 pages); your essay; two letters of recommendation (including one from a community service representative); your official high school transcript; and a copy of your college/university acceptance letter.

**QUESTIONS?** E-mail: [marie@phlf.org](mailto:marie@phlf.org)

## F A C T S

- The Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation (PHLF) has awarded college/university scholarships to 88 students from Allegheny County since 1999.
- 37 of those winners graduated from Pittsburgh Public Schools, and 51 graduated from other schools within Allegheny County.
- PHLF's scholarship program is funded by the Brashear Family Named Fund and the Landmarks Scholarship Fund, including donations to the 2008 and 2014 Scholarship Celebrations, and from the Russell W. Coe Preservation Fund at PHLF.



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PLEASE PRINT

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First M.I. Gender

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street and/or P.O. Box  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code

Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of  Parent or  Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First M.I.

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Parent or  Guardian Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street and/or P.O. Box  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code

High School Currently Attending: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Address  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code Phone

Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA): \_\_\_\_\_  
End of 1st semester, senior year

SAT Scores: Total: \_\_\_\_\_ (Verbal: \_\_\_\_\_ Math: \_\_\_\_\_ Writing: \_\_\_\_\_)

Alternative Test Scores (ACT, HBCU, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Class Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ in a class of \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name E-mail Phone

Middle School/Jr. High School Attended: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name City

Elementary School Attended: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name City

Based on your family heritage, if you wish to be identified with a particular ethnic group or groups, please indicate the group name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

*Please submit an official high school transcript including first semester senior year.*

List any **scholarships** that you will be receiving and **awards** and **recognition** (including academic honors) that you have received:

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List clubs, extracurricular activities, sports, etc. (*note your degree of involvement*):

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List community service:

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List work experience:

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College/University you will be attending in the fall of 2024 (submit your letter of acceptance):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Intended Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Educational Goals:

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**ESSAY:** PHLF’s Scholarship Committee would like to know you better. Tell us about a place in Allegheny County that is important to you. Briefly explain the significance of the history, architecture, and/or landscape design of that place. Then, focus on how that place has affected you personally.

Type your essay of 500 to 1,500 words on separate paper, with a heading that includes your name, date, and an essay title, and submit it with this completed application.

**PORTFOLIO** (not required): If you wish, you may submit a portfolio showing original work: art, photography, or architectural drawings. (Please do not send copies of awards, newspaper articles, or additional essays.)

**REFERENCES:** Please submit two letters of recommendation (no more, no less). One must be from a neighborhood or community service representative who is not related to you. The second letter of recommendation must be from a teacher or guidance counselor.

Please list the names and contact information of the people who wrote letters on your behalf:

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**FINANCIAL NEED:** Note any special financial situation that affects your ability to attend the college/university of your choice. Examples include multiple siblings attending college/university at the same time, special medical expenses, loss of income, etc.:

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**CERTIFICATION:** I certify the accuracy of this information:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant’s signature and date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent’s/guardian’s signature and date

From time to time, we include excerpts from applicants’ essays in our printed publications and on our website. This helps promote interest in our scholarship program and features some of the excellent insights about Pittsburgh that our applicants have. **May we have your permission to reprint excerpts from your essay?**  Yes  No

**SCHOLARSHIP NEWS:**

*The award recipient will be notified by letter on or before Friday, May 24, 2024, and will be invited to attend a scholarship reception in the summer. Letters will be mailed to all who applied with news of the decision. The scholarship award will be paid directly to the college or university in August 2024. Thank you for taking the time to apply.*

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Founded in 1964 and recognized as one of the nation’s most innovative and effective non-profit historic preservation organizations, the Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation (PHLF) works to: identify and save historically significant places; revitalize historic neighborhoods, towns, and urban areas; preserve historic farms and historic designed landscapes; and educate people about the Pittsburgh region’s rich architectural heritage. PHLF welcomes your membership support.