



Ann Theodore Foundation Scholarship Program

PROGRAM GUIDELINES

Applications must be submitted online by Friday February 17, 2023 by 5:00 pm

The **Ann Theodore Foundation Scholarship Program** opens the door to post-secondary education opportunities for youth and adults. This program is designed to help residents from Roosevelt and North Babylon, New York as well as Manchester, New Hampshire attend and graduate from post-secondary institutions, including two-year schools, trade schools, and four-year colleges. Students attending graduate school are not eligible for scholarship support through this program. The program serves low-income high school seniors and adults who have a desire to attain a college degree. The program provides financial support, along with mentoring and guidance to help students achieve their dream of attaining a college degree.

If accepted into the program, students receive scholarships of up to \$25,000 annually, for up to four years, plus mentoring and funding for enrichment opportunities. The program is funded by the Ann Theodore Foundation and administered by The Philanthropic Initiative (TPI). This program is dedicated to making college affordable for low-income students regardless of age and helping students reach their full potential. The Ann Theodore Foundation believes in a world where all children and families have access to opportunities to achieve their goals, regardless of race or socioeconomic status.

Program Components

- **Scholarship:** The program provides last-dollar scholarships of up to \$25,000 per year to the college the student plans to attend. Scholarships are renewable for up to four years provided the student remains in good academic standing with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5. Scholarship amounts are determined based on the financial aid package and other scholarships the student receives, along with the expectation that awardees will contribute toward the cost of attendance, and graduate from college with about \$10,000 in loans (approximately \$2,500 in subsidized loans per year).
- **Laptop:** Each student who is accepted into the program receives a laptop.
- **Mentoring:** Each student is paired with an adult mentor to provide advice and assistance with navigating the college experience.
- **Flexible funds:** Additional funds are available to students to support enriching experiences that help students achieve their academic and career goals.

Applicant Criteria

- High school senior or adult resident of either Roosevelt (NY), North Babylon (NY), or Manchester (NH), or graduate of a high school in the three towns listed previously who is applying to attend or currently attending a two-year school, trade school, or four-year college (part-time or full-time) in 2023-2024
- Significant financial need. Priority will be given to applicants with Expected Family Contributions (EFC) of \$10,000 or less
- Substantial unmet financial need (at least \$5,000) beyond what is being offered in college financial aid and other scholarships, as determined by college financial aid award letter
- Applicants must be US Citizens, US Permanent Residents (aka green card holders), or DACA or TPS recipients. All applicants must be eligible to apply for Federal Student aid in order to receive a scholarship.
- Ability to clearly articulate how this scholarship will impact applicant's life and goals, and a drive to meet these goals through further education
- Applicants must exhibit good citizenship and a commitment to building and investing in their community

Selection Criteria: Selection will be based on financial need, articulation of impact of scholarship, commitment to community, work ethic, and academics.

Application Process

For all scholarship information and application instructions, please visit <https://tpi.org/scholarships-college-success/>

Interested applicants will complete an online application:

<https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=anntheodore>

Through the online application portal, applicants will submit the following materials:

- High school transcript
- College transcript for students who are already in college
- Essays – Essay questions are located within the online or sample application
- FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR) – This document will be approximately five pages long. You must submit the entire SAR document.
- Financial aid award letter (if available)

Timeline

Scholarship applications due	February 17, 2023 by 5:00 pm
Interviews with finalists	March
Scholarships announced	End of April
Scholarship checks sent to colleges	Late July to early August

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