
History of the Robert G. Sharp Trust

Robert G. Sharp, former Wisconsin Legislator and realtor from Oconto, Wisconsin left the bulk of his estate in a perpetual charitable trust for scholarships. Following his death in May 1962 the estate now grants scholarships to deserving graduates of the secondary schools in Brown and Oconto Counties.

Awards based on scholarship, exemplary character and financial need, are granted for attendance at any University in the Wisconsin System namely Eau Claire, Green Bay, La Crosse, Madison, Milwaukee, Oshkosh, Parkside, Platteville, River Falls, Stevens Point, Stout, Superior or Whitewater; also Marquette and Lawrence universities, St. Norbert and Beloit Colleges and Bellin College of Nursing.

Scholarships consist of one thousand dollars per year for four years of undergraduate studies, provided a B average is maintained and financial need is unchanged. Selections are made by the Trustee in collaboration with the respective principals or counselors.

Scholarship Guidelines

1. Applications and financial aid forms are available from the high school guidance counselors and completed applications must be submitted to the guidance counselors.
2. The completed application form, personal statement and a copy of Part One of the Student Aid Report (S.A.R.) and complete financial aid forms, must be sent to Sharp Trust by April 1st. At the latest
3. Scholarship winners will be announced about May 1st. A \$500 award will be sent to the respective college in August and January.
4. To be eligible for continued awards, recipients are required to;
 - a. Attend a qualifying college on a full-time basis.
 - b. Report grades attained within two weeks of the end of each semester.
 - c. Notify the Trust of any changes in financial need.
 - d. Advise the Trust if you will not be attending college full time the following semester.
 - e. Notify the Trust if you are discontinuing or transferring colleges.
6. Should a recipient of the Sharp Trust Scholarship receive assistance from other sources, all or part of the aid from this Foundation may be withdrawn or discontinued, depending on the financial needs of the student at that time.

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Scholarship Information and Application

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