



2024-2025 Scholarship Program Guidelines and Instructions

Thank you for your interest in the Northwest CT Community Foundation (NCCF) 2024-2025 Scholarship Program. This year, NCCF will administer more than 30 scholarship funds.

Applications are available online at www.yournccf.org/scholarships and must be submitted by April 1, 2024. Additional required information: Student Aid Report (only for those scholarships with a need-based component.) Graduating high school seniors and those applying for a scholarship for their first semester of college are also required to submit a signed transcript release form and SAT and/or ACT scores. We strongly encourage applicants to upload all materials through the secure online scholarship form, or email them to scholarships@yournccf.org. If this is not possible, documents can be submitted to NCCF in hard-copy format and must be postmarked by April 1, 2024.

For high school students, NCCF will obtain your transcript and class rank directly from your school guidance office only when your application and all other material, including your SAR (for scholarships that have a need-based component), SAT and/or ACT scores and the transcript release form have been submitted and determined to be complete. Applicants who are currently attending college will request transcripts be sent through their college or university.

The selection process is competitive, and **many (but not all) awards are based on financial need and academic merit.** To be considered for a scholarship, applicants must exhibit good citizenship, exemplary character and academic merit and for those scholarships with a financial-need component, demonstrate financial need according to the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), and meet all other eligibility requirements (see Application Checklist).

Students should **read the application carefully and answer all pertinent questions** in each of the following sections: applicant/family information, academic history, activities, work experience, and essays. Prior to selecting the scholarships for which you wish to apply, **carefully review all scholarship descriptions to ensure that you meet specific eligibility requirements.** Please provide all required information (see Application Checklist) by the application deadline. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

Students must reapply each year. Receipt of an award for one academic year does not guarantee that an award will be granted in a subsequent year; conversely, students who are

denied an award should not be discouraged from reapplying in another year. Selection of scholarship awards is based on specific criteria established by the fundholder/donor. Each fund may have unique and/or specific selection requirements. Most awards are based on financial need, academic achievement, extracurricular activities, work experience and community involvement. While there is no minimum GPA requirement for consideration, most past recipients have had a GPA of at least 3.0.

A volunteer review committee consisting of community, academic and civic leaders will review the applications and make award recommendations. Applicants will be notified via postal mail of any awards they have received. Scholarship award checks, unless otherwise noted, are made payable to both the school and the student, thus ensuring that the funds will be used for academic expenses only. All award checks must be cashed by the student's college or university by December 1, 2024.

Application Checklist

The following must be completed, verified or included in your application packet in order for you to be considered for a scholarship. Please refer to this checklist to ensure that all necessary application materials have been included in your application packet.

Are you ...

a U.S. citizen (or in possession of an alien registration card) with permanent residency in NCCF's *20-town service area for 12 months prior to your application? (for town-based scholarships only)

Did you ...

apply for enrollment (or matriculate) at an accredited college or university in pursuit of a baccalaureate or advanced degree?

review the eligibility requirements specific to each of the scholarships for which you are applying to ensure that you are a qualified candidate?

answer all pertinent questions contained in the online scholarship application, including both essays representing your own writing ability, truthfully and to the best of your knowledge?

submit your online application?

upload via the online scholarship application a Student Aid Report (SAR), including an Expected Family Contribution (EFC)? (for scholarships with a need-based component only)

For college students, request your official academic transcripts?

For high school students, upload via the online scholarship application your SAT and/or ACT scores.

For high school students, upload via the online scholarship application a completed NCCF transcript release form.

Submit all required information by April 1, 2024. (Note: If mailing forms, SAR, SAT and/or ACT scores and academic transcripts must be postmarked by April 1, 2024.)

We encourage applicants to upload all materials through the secure online Scholarship Application, or email them to scholarships@yournccf.org. If this is not possible, mail to: Northwest CT Community Foundation, Attn: Scholarships, P.O. Box 1144, Torrington, CT 06790. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

2013-2014

Electronic Student Aid Report (SAR)

The SAR summarizes the information you submitted on your 2013-2014 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Application Receipt Date:	02/11/2013	XXX-XX-XXX
Processed Date:	03/13/2013	EFC: XXXXX
		DRN: XXX

Your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) is used to determine your federal student aid eligibility and financial aid award. It is required to complete your scholarship application.

Comments About Your Information

Learn about [federal tax benefits for education](#), including the *American Opportunity Tax Credit* (AOTC).

Based on the information we have on record for you, your EFC is **XXXXX**. You are not eligible for a Federal Pell Grant but you may be eligible for other aid. Your school will use your EFC to determine your financial aid eligibility for other federal grants, loans, and work-study, and possible funding from your state and school.

WHAT YOU MUST DO NOW (Use the checklist below to make sure that all of your issues are resolved.)

If you need to make corrections to your information, click 'Make FAFSA Corrections' on the 'My FAFSA' page. You must use your Federal Student Aid PIN to access your record online. If you need additional help with your SAR, contact your school's financial aid office or click the 'Help' icon on the FAFSA home page. If your mailing address or e-mail address changes, you can make the correction online.

Torrington High School

You may apply for the following scholarships with the Northwest CT Community Foundation (NCCF) online scholarship application. Eligibility requirements set by the donors are listed for each scholarship.

Additionally, (unless otherwise noted) NCCF also considers the following: *financial need, academic excellence, extracurricular accomplishments, work experience and essay score.*

Elizabeth Long Anderson Scholarship

Academic Focus: Unspecified

Requirement: graduating seniors who plan to matriculate at a Connecticut State College or University or a Connecticut State Community College

Award Average: TBD

For Torrington High School graduating seniors who plan to matriculate at a Connecticut State College or University or a Connecticut State Community College. Previously awarded recipients are eligible to re-apply should they continue to attend a Connecticut State College or University or a Connecticut State Community College.

Betsy L. Bertoli Scholarship

Academic Focus: Accounting or business administration/management

Requirement: One semester of high school accounting

Award Average: \$250

For Torrington High School graduating seniors who plan to pursue a career in accounting or business administration/management at the university level and have had at least one successful high school semester of accounting.

Russell F. Bruno Scholarship

Academic Focus: English, literature, journalism or related field

Award Average: \$400

For Torrington High School graduating seniors who have excelled in the study of English and are planning to major in writing, literature, journalism or a related field.

Jack and Ruth Calder Scholarship

Academic Focus: Unspecified

Award Average: \$300

For graduating seniors from Burlington, Litchfield, Torrington or Winsted high schools who are residents of Barkhamsted, Colebrook, Goshen, Hartland, Harwinton, Litchfield, New Hartford, Norfolk, Torrington or Winsted with preference given to those who volunteer and are involved in their community or who have received recognition and/or awards.

Mae Casali Bonvicini Scholarship

Academic Focus: Unspecified

Awards Range: \$400 to \$1,500

For Torrington High School graduating seniors.

Tim Considine Memorial Scholarship

Academic Focus: Unspecified

Requirement: High school athletes involved in faith-based activities/organized religion

Award: Two \$1,250 scholarships

The Fund shall be used to provide scholarship support to Torrington (only) residents currently enrolled as seniors in a high school or vocational technical school who are seeking admission to an accredited university. The following criteria is utilized to select scholarship recipients:

Preference will be given to students who participate in school and/or organized sports while demonstrating academic achievement, exhibit a commitment to organized religion while engaging in institutional faith-based activities, and display exemplary character through either extracurricular accomplishments or community service.

Please Note: This scholarship is not financially need-based. *(No FAFSA required)*

Frances H. Ducci Scholarship

Academic Focus: Unspecified

Award Range: \$500 to \$2,500

For graduating seniors of a public high school in NCCF's *20-town service area who also live in NCCF's *20-town service area.

Marion Wm. Edwards Scholarship

Academic Focus: Literature, journalism, or Italian studies

Award Average: \$250

For Torrington High School graduating seniors who are planning to continue in Italian studies, planning to teach or planning to study literature or journalism.

Michele Farley Pittler Scholarship

Academic Focus: Unspecified

Award Average: \$1,000

For Torrington High School graduating seniors.

Charles and Pierina Fossati Scholarship

Academic Focus: Unspecified

Award Average: \$750

Established by Eleanor Fossati in memory of her parents, this scholarship is awarded to Torrington High School graduates who demonstrate financial need, exemplary character.

Helen and Mario Garbin Scholarship

Academic Focus: Unspecified

Award Average: \$500

For students who live in NCCF's *20-town service area and are entering any year of undergraduate or graduate school.

Italian-American Republican Club Scholarship

Academic Focus: Unspecified

Award Average: \$2,000

For graduating seniors of The Gilbert School, Northwestern Regional High School, Oliver Wolcott Technical High School, Torrington Christian Academy, Torrington High School or Wamogo Regional High School with a preference given for past graduates of St. Peter/St. Francis School.

Donald F. and Norma K. Mougenot Scholarship

Academic Focus: Unspecified

Award Average: \$2,000

For graduating seniors of The Gilbert School, Northwestern Regional High School, Oliver Wolcott Technical High School, Torrington Christian Academy, Torrington High School or Wamogo Regional High School with a preference given for past graduates of St. Peter/St. Francis School.

Shepard Family Scholarship

Academic Focus: Unspecified

Award Range: \$300 to \$1,500

For students who live in NCCF's *20-town service area and are entering any year of undergraduate or graduate school. The scholarship is also open to individuals attending or planning to attend a non-degree program, adult education or continuing education program and/or primary and secondary school students attending a private primary or secondary institution. Preference is given to graduating seniors at Wamogo Regional High School.

Southwest School Scholarship (in Memory of Marion Wm. Edwards)

Academic Focus: Unspecified

Requirement: Graduate of Southwest School

Award Average: \$250

For Torrington High School graduating seniors who have attended and graduated from Southwest Elementary School.

Apolonia Stanulis Scholarship

Academic Focus: Unspecified

Award Range: \$300 to \$1,500

For students who live in NCCF's *20-town service area and are entering any year of undergraduate or graduate school.

Albert C. and Rose Turri Scholarship

Academic Focus: Students pursuing a 2- or 4-year degree in electronics or electrical engineering

Award: Two \$1,000 scholarships

Established in memory of Albert C. and Rose Turri, for students living in NCCF's *20-town service area who are pursuing a two- or four-year degree in electrical engineering or electronics.

United Nations Association of Connecticut Scholarship

Academic Focus: Unspecified

Award Range: \$2,000 to \$3,000

This fund awards scholarships to current high school students who will enroll in an accredited two or four year undergraduate institution and who demonstrate academic excellence, a clear commitment to engagement in international issues, participate in Model UN or similar program and study a foreign language. Scholarships will be awarded to students whose primary residence is within the state of Connecticut, excluding those whose primary residence is in Hartford County.

William and Sally Vaun Scholarship

Academic Focus: Students pursuing a degree in medicine, both human and veterinary, or environmental studies, with an emphasis on ecology and conservation sciences

Award Average: \$1,500

This scholarship is awarded to students who live in NCCF's *20-town service area and are pursuing a degree in medicine, both human or veterinary, or environmental studies, with an emphasis on ecology and conservation sciences.

The following scholarships have separate applications and differing requirements:

Russell Anderson, Carmen Brooks Anderson and Henry Vail Brooks Scholarship

Academic Focus: Students who have been accepted into a pre-medical program pursuant to a Doctor of Medicine; students who have been accepted into an industrial arts education program; or students accepted into a nursing program

Application: Graduating seniors must submit the THS application to the THS Guidance Office; first-year college students who received this scholarship as a high school senior and are reapplying must submit an application through NCCF's online application

Award: \$2,300 (\$24,000 awarded in previous academic year)

For Torrington High School graduating seniors and first-year college students who received this scholarship as a high school senior. Preference is given to students who have been accepted into a pre-medical program pursuant to a Doctor of Medicine; students who have been accepted into an industrial arts education program; or students accepted into a nursing program. Selection is based on financial need, academic excellence, character and citizenship.

Friends of John Ponte Memorial Scholarship

Academic Focus: Unspecified

Application: Contact THS Guidance Office or www.yournccf.org/scholarships for application

Requirement: High school participation in baseball and/or football

Award: Two \$500 scholarships (financial need not a factor)

For graduating seniors from Lewis S. Mills High School and Torrington High School who exemplify, through their participation in athletics, the qualities and interests of the late John Ponte, including leadership skills and exemplary character. Torrington High School applicants must demonstrate participation in baseball and/or football. This scholarship requires the Friends of John Ponte Memorial Scholarship application available from your high school guidance office or via the Foundation's website, www.yournccf.org/scholarships. This scholarship is not need-based. No FAFSA required

Torrington UNICO Scholarships

Academic Focus: See UNICO scholarship descriptions

Application: Contact THS Guidance Office, or visit www.yournccf.org/scholarships

Multiple scholarships with varying eligibility criteria are available for graduating seniors and college-level students who reside in northwest Connecticut. These scholarships require a Torrington UNICO application available from your high school guidance office; via the Foundation's website, www.yournccf.org/scholarships; or by writing to: Torrington UNICO, P.O. Box 175, Torrington, CT 06790.

*Barkhamsted, Bethlehem, Canaan (Falls Village), Colebrook, Cornwall, Goshen, Hartland, Harwinton, Kent, Litchfield, Morris, New Hartford, Norfolk, North Canaan, Salisbury, Sharon, Torrington, Warren, Washington, and Winsted.

Award averages and ranges are approximations. Actual awards may vary.



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Attention: Torrington High School Seniors

Planning to major in accounting? Have you taken at least one accounting course?

Apply for the

Betsy L. Bertoli Scholarship

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Russell F. Bruno Scholarship and/or the
Marion Wm. Edwards Scholarship

Planning to study Italian?

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Visit www.yournccf.org/scholarships for more information and to complete an online application.

Most scholarships have specific eligibility requirements. Please review all scholarship descriptions to ensure that you are a qualified candidate.

You can upload additional required information (SAR with Expected Family Contribution, and *signed* transcript release form) and optional information (SAT and/or ACT scores) through the online application or email them to scholarships@yournccf.org. If this is not possible, mail to: Northwest CT Community Foundation, Attn: Scholarships, P.O. Box 1144, Torrington, CT 06790

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Do you participate in school and/or organized sports, demonstrate academic achievement, and exhibit a commitment to organized religion?

Do you engage in institutional faith-based activities and display exemplary character through either extracurricular accomplishments or community service?

Apply for the
Tim Considine Memorial Scholarship

This is not a need-based scholarship. A Student Aid Report (SAR) is not required to apply for this scholarship.

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New this year

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Are you an athlete who excels academically?

Apply for the
Friends of John Ponte Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship requires the Friends of John Ponte Memorial application.

Please see your guidance counselor or visit www.yournccf.org/scholarships for application materials.

Applications must be received by April 1, 2024

Please review the scholarship description at www.yournccf.org/scholarships to ensure that you are a qualified candidate, and submit all required information, including letters of recommendation and official academic transcript (with SAT scores) to the Torrington High School Guidance Office.



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Do you participate in your school's *Model UN*?
Plan to continue *foreign language studies* in college?
Enjoy *volunteering* and contributing to the welfare of your community?

Apply for the
United Nations Association of Connecticut Scholarship

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Torrington UNICO Foundation Scholarships

award college-bound seniors who demonstrate academic excellence, good citizenship and financial need.

Are you involved in extracurricular activities and community service with a strong academic background?
Apply for the

- **Founders' Scholarship**
- **Andrew J. Oneglia Scholarship**
- **John Sullo Founders Scholarship**

Pursuing a degree in fine arts or business at any of the University of Connecticut campuses?
Apply for the

Rt. Reverend Monsignor William Botticelli Scholarship

These scholarships require the Torrington UNICO application.

Please see your guidance counselor or visit www.yournccf.org/scholarships for application materials.

Please review application instructions and scholarship descriptions carefully to ensure that you are a qualified candidate, and submit all required information, including your official academic transcript (with SAT scores) to the **Torrington High School Guidance Office by April 1, 2024.**



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Northwest CT Community Foundation

Transcript Release Form

Northwest CT Community Foundation Scholarship Application

Please print all information clearly and completely.

Student's Name (Last, First, MI): _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Student ID# (if known): _____

If student has ever attended High School under other names, please indicate them here:

Student's current home address:

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Authorization:

I hereby authorize the _____
name of high school

to release the official transcripts of the student named on this form.

Parent or legal guardian name: (printed) _____

Date: ____/____/____ Parent or legal guardian signature: _____

Transcript Recipient: *(All scholarship material is considered highly confidential)*

Attn: Scholarship Committee
Northwest CT Community Foundation
P.O. Box 1144, Torrington, CT 06790
scholarships@yournccf.org