



SISTERS of CHARITY HEALTH SYSTEM

The Caritas Nursing Scholarship

Mission of the Sisters of Charity Health System:

The Corporation serves to ensure that the charism, philosophy and values of the Congregation are being enhanced and implemented in its sponsored facilities, organizations, and programs. The Sisters of Charity Health System serves to develop and coordinate the delivery of Catholic health and human services through the promotion, collaboration and cooperation, and sharing of resources among organizations. The Corporation encourages the development of new programs and services in response to unmet health and human service needs.

Goals of the Caritas Nursing Scholarship:

The Caritas Nursing Scholarship was established in recognition of Sr. Mary Patricia Barrett, CSA, for her role in leading the development of the Sisters of Charity Health System. The purpose of the scholarship is to enable employees and family members of the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine (CSA) sponsored entities the opportunity to become licensed nurses. For 157 years of its health care ministry, the CSA Congregation has valued and encouraged nursing excellence. The goal of this scholarship program is to encourage persons familiar with the mission and philosophy of Catholic health care to enter or continue in the profession of nursing. The award is granted to four individuals in the amount of \$2,500, one from the Canton, Ohio and Columbia, South Carolina as well as two for the greater Cleveland, Ohio community. *Please note that the funds are to be used for tuition purposes only.*

Application Criteria:

The Caritas Nursing Scholarship is given to applicants who meet the following criteria:

- ❑ Nursing student **must** be accepted/enrolled at an accredited undergraduate college or accredited nursing program
- ❑ A student in accelerated program will be application, if the student is still completing coursework.
- ❑ Applicant must be an employee (or child of employee) who works for an organization sponsored by the Sisters of Charity Health System
- ❑ Demonstrated financial need of the applicant
- ❑ Demonstrated leadership of the applicant in communities where they live or work through academic achievement (GPA of 3.0 or above), volunteerism, and/or community building.

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Application Process:**To apply, the following items MUST be provided:**

- ❑ A completed application cover sheet (attached)
- ❑ Financial statement and a detailed list of monthly expenses, demonstrating financial need for the scholarship
- ❑ Form W-2s and/or 1099s from your most recent income tax return Two short essays on the following topics: *(Please limit each essay to 250 words.)*
 1. Why you would like to become a nurse
 2. In what ways is the mission of the faith-based Sisters of Charity Health System, which focuses on unmet needs of the community, compatible with your own personal belief system
- ❑ Describe your educational and work experiences & community service/volunteerism *(Please limit to 300 words.)*
- ❑ Two letters of recommendation from people who are not family members but who are familiar with your ability to serve in the community and be a dedicated student. (At least one of these recommendations should be from a teacher or supervisor.)
- ❑ Include a copy of the acceptance letter to the school of nursing.
- ❑ Any other information that demonstrates merit related to this scholarship.
- ❑ College transcripts or grade reports, high schools transcripts, SAT, or ACT scores (whichever is applicable, but must show academic achievements.)

Applications must be received by Monday, June 1, 2009. A decision and notification will be made by June 30, 2009. The scholarship could be renewed for a second year, but applicant must re-apply.

All incomplete applications will be rejected immediately.



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Application Cover Sheet

Name: _____
Last First Middle Maiden

Home Address: _____
Street/Box Number City State Zip

Temporary Address: _____
Street/Box Number City State Zip

Home Phone: (____) _____ Work/Cell Phone: (____) _____ Fax: (____) _____

Email Address: _____

Organization(s) sponsored by the Sisters of Charity Health System in which you or your family member is employed:

Accredited Nursing program/Undergraduate School accepted and or enrolled at:

Please provide proof (acceptance letter or transcript) of acceptance or enrollment at an accredited nursing program.

Is this an accelerated nursing program? (please check) Yes No

If yes, please describe timeframe of participation in this program: _____

Please see the attached overview form for a checklist of attachments:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please submit all application materials to:

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Telephone (216) 875-4615



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Caritas Nursing Scholarship Financial Information Worksheet

Name: _____
Last First Middle Maiden

Date of Birth: _____

Marital status:

- Single
- Married
- Divorced/Separated
- Widowed

How many dependent children live in your household?

(Please include yourself if applicable): _____

Are you claimed as anyone's dependent? ____ Yes ____ No

Financial Information:

- Applicant's gross monthly income _____
 - Please provide form W-2s and/or 1099s from your most recent income tax return
- Spouse's gross monthly income (if applicable) _____
- Or _____
- Parent's gross monthly income (if considered a dependent) _____
- Applicant's monthly expenses:
 - Rent or Mortgage _____
 - Car Payment--Make/Model/Year _____
 - Utilities _____
 - Other _____
- TOTAL _____
- Net Monthly Income _____
- Total cash assets including bank accounts and investments _____

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Please describe any other extraordinary expenses or commitments:

Other scholarships and/or financial aid expected:

Please describe why you feel you are in need of financial assistance: *(Please use the back of this sheet if needed)*

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