

# *The Winnie Green Higher Education Scholarship Fund*

## First Presbyterian Church Applicant Guidelines - 2020

The Winnifred Zimmerman Green Scholarship was made possible by a generous gift from the estate of long time member Winnie Green to aid “worthy students of high academic achievement” with their college expenses. Grants from this Scholarship will be made to active members, as they are determined to be eligible pursuant to these guidelines approved by the Session of First Presbyterian Church. The amount of funds available each year will be determined by the Endowment Ministry Team and may vary depending upon the investment income received that previous year. A scholarship sub-committee of the Endowment Ministry Team will be responsible for soliciting and receiving applications, reviewing applications, and determining the recipients of the scholarship grants. Ordinarily, grants will be made in equal amounts per successful applicant. The scholarship committee will have the discretion to deviate from equal grants in extraordinary circumstances.

### Eligibility

- 1) Applicants must be a member of First Presbyterian Church for at least one year.
- 2) Grants are to be awarded for undergraduate studies. Only graduate studies leading to a degree in Christian Education or Ordained Ministry will also be considered for an award. Other graduate studies are not eligible.

### Criteria for Selection

Grants will be awarded each year on the basis of church activity, need, scholarship, and intended course of study.

### Renewal

Students receiving scholarships shall not be guaranteed renewal of scholarships. Students must re-apply for a new grant each year. Students may receive up to four grants from the scholarship fund for undergraduate studies and up to three grants for graduate studies leading to a degree in Christian Education or the ordained ministry. Amounts of grants are not guaranteed to remain the same from year to year but will be determined by the amount of funds available and the number of eligible students applying.

### Payments

Ordinarily payments will be made to the student's account at the school of study. In the event that an applicant receives a full or partial scholarship, which would be reduced by any amount received by the Winnie Green Scholarship Fund, it is at the full discretion of the Endowment Ministry Team to use Winnie Green Scholarship proceeds to offset other college expenses for the applicant. In this case, funds that would normally be paid directly to the student's account at the school of study, can be re-directed to a parent or other custodian of the student in order to pay for such expenses. The parent or custodian would provide the church any accounting related to these expenses as proof that the funds are used appropriately if requested.

### General Information

- 1) The grant may be used to assist with costs relating to tuition, fees, books, equipment, or living expenses.
- 2) The application deadline will normally be May 1st of each year.
- 3) Grants will be awarded by July 31st of each year.
- 4) Grants are not to be repaid.

### Final and Complete Discretion

The scholarship sub-committee of the Endowment Ministry team will have full and final discretion and authority to determine who shall receive scholarship grants and the amounts of such grants. Compliance with eligibility requirements does not guarantee designation as a scholarship recipient.