



**Ascension  
St. Mary's  
Foundation**

**Ascension St. Mary's Foundation  
2024 Scholarship Program**

Ascension St. Mary's Foundation is offering the following **2024 Scholarship Awards\***:

**CFWA Advancement Scholarship**

- Awarded to an Ascension St. Mary's Hospital, Ascension Standish Hospital or Ascension St. Joseph Hospital associate who is enrolled or has been accepted for enrollment in an academic program leading to a degree or certificate in nursing, health care administration or an allied health care field.
- May also be used for specialty certification and/or training.
- Associate must have worked 1,000 or more hours in the last 12 months.
- Non-renewable \$1,000 award to one qualified scholarship applicant per year.

**CFWA Health Care Scholarship**

- Restricted to a high school senior with at least one parent who is an associate of Ascension St. Mary's Hospital, Ascension Standish Hospital or Ascension St. Joseph Hospital at the time of application and who remains an associate at the time of the initial grant.
- Must have scored a 21 or higher on the ACT or 1090 or higher on the SAT.
- Awarded to one individual enrolled or accepted for enrollment in a full-time academic program that leads to a degree in nursing or an allied health care field.
- One non-renewable \$1,000 award.

**James T. Keves, M.D. Memorial Healthcare Scholarship**

- Restricted to an Ascension St. Mary's Hospital associate or child of an Ascension St. Mary's Hospital associate who is enrolled or has been accepted for enrollment in an academic program leading to a degree or certificate in nursing or an allied healthcare field.
- \$1,000 non-renewable scholarship award.

**Rick Ohle Professional Development Scholarship**

- Scholarship of up to \$500. May be awarded to up to two Ascension St. Mary's Hospital associates.
- Awarded to Ascension St. Mary's Hospital associate(s) pursuing additional work-specific training, accreditation, certification or other professional development which would not be reimbursable by the health system.

**Beverly Kremin Memorial HealthCare Scholarship**

- Restricted to high school seniors with at least one parent who is an associate of Ascension St. Mary's at the time of application and who remains an associate at the time of the initial grant.
- Score 1200 on the SAT or 25 on the ACT
- Awarded to individuals enrolled or accepted for enrollment in a full-time academic program, which leads to a degree, or certificate in nursing or an allied health care field. Up to two recipients per year.
- Initial award of \$3,000. Four subsequent awards of \$2,500 may be made on an annual basis if the student affirms continuing pursuit of a career in a healthcare-related field and maintains a 3.0-grade point average.



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**Med Staff Nursing Scholarship**

- Restricted to those who are enrolled or accepted for enrollment in an academic program that leads to an Associate's Degree in Nursing (ADN or Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) nursing degree. Nursing Graduate or Undergraduate only.
- Up to two scholarships of at least \$500 awarded annually.
- Recipients are obligated to commit to employment with Ascension St. Mary's Hospital at a minimum of 30 hours per week for one year from the date of licensure or after orientation completion, whichever is later.
- Associate must have worked 1,000 or more hours in the last 12 months.

**Doris M. Jacques Volunteer Alliance HealthCare Advancement Scholarship**

- Up to two non-renewable \$1,000 awards may be made to qualified scholarship applicants per year.
- Must be presently employed as an Ascension St. Mary's associate in good standing working a minimum of 30 hours per week.
- One non-renewable \$1,000 award may be made to qualified scholarship applicants per year.
- Child of an Ascension St. Mary's Hospital associate in good standing working a minimum of 30 hours per week.

**Allyson Wilson Memorial Scholarship**

- Scholarship in the amount of \$1,500
- Awarded to an Ascension Mid-Michigan healthcare associate, child of an Ascension Mid-Michigan associate or a student enrolled in or accepted for enrollment in an undergraduate clinical laboratory or medical laboratory academic program.

\*Scholarship offerings are subject to change.



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**'Program Guidelines & Priorities:**

\* Please review all information prior to completing the scholarship application. **No handwritten applications will be accepted.**

\* All applicants must complete a one-page essay with no more than 500 words. The essay must be typed and in 11-point font. This essay should contain:

- Description of extra-curricular activities, hobbies, school, and community service activities.
- If applicable, description of your most valuable contributions and/or strengths as a health care associate. How will the scholarship award assist you in your goals?
- Describe your commitment to the healthcare field and your future goals.

\* All applicants must submit the following to be considered for a scholarship award:

- Signed Scholarship Agreement
- Two current letters of recommendation (within the past six months of this application date) from a supervisor, counselor, instructor, administrator or from a community leader. **The letter must be typed, signed, and dated. Handwritten or unsigned letters will not be accepted.**

\* Color photo.

\* Current college transcript (non-official is acceptable) or acceptance letter. If you are a graduating senior, a copy of your high school transcripts and a copy of your ACT or SAT results are required.

\* Proof of GPA

\* Scholarship funds will be paid **directly to the college**, not the student. **The scholarship funds will be issued to the college or university upon receiving a copy of your bill or proof of enrollment for the fall semester, which includes the Student ID number and Financial Aid Office address.**

\* Applications must be received by Ascension St. Mary's Foundation **no later than 3:00 p.m. March 15, 2024**. Late applications will not be accepted.

All application materials must be submitted electronically with the completed application, **in one document**, to Ascension St. Mary's Foundation at [Karen.Stiffler@ascension.org](mailto:Karen.Stiffler@ascension.org).

Please submit any questions to: [Karen.Stiffler@ascension.org](mailto:Karen.Stiffler@ascension.org) or 989-907-8300.



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## **Scholarship Agreement**

Application deadlines are final. Incomplete or late applications are not accepted. Any submission lacking any of the required materials will not be considered.

Award payments will be paid directly to your education/training institution once you submit a copy of your tuition statement and transcript. Any remaining scholarship funds not used will be reimbursed directly to Ascension St. Mary's Foundation. The scholarship award is valid until June 30, 2025.

Selection of all candidates is based on information contained in the application. The scholarship committee may choose to interview candidates for additional insight into their future. All award recipients will be notified via mail. If a scholarship has been awarded, the recipient will need to return a letter of agreement within 10 days, to be eligible for the award.

All scholarship recipients agree to the use of their image/photo for promotional purposes by Ascension St. Mary's Hospital and Ascension St. Mary's Foundation. I acknowledge all the facts set forth in my scholarship application are true and complete. I authorize my references to provide information concerning me to the scholarship committee.

Further, I release all such persons providing character reference from liability or damages incurred because of furnishing the above information. I understand that false statements or omission of relevant information should be considered cause to reject this application.

If I am awarded the scholarship, I will use it toward tuition for the named academic program, professional development and/or accreditation program. I also agree to repay the full amount of the scholarship if I fail, for any reason, to complete the course or semester in which the scholarship is applied. Payment is due at the time of unsuccessful completion of the program. Proof of completion is required within one month of the end of the semester or course.

By completing this form, you agree your electronic signature is the legal equivalent of your manual signature on this Agreement.

**Applicant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



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**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2024**

Please **type** your answers. *Use an additional piece of paper if necessary*

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Last Name First Name, Middle Initial

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Street Address

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City State Zip Code

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Daytime Phone Email Address

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College Name and Mailing Address Student ID # Current Grade Point Average  
(for scholarship payments) (GPA) (on a 4.0 scale)

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Degree/certificate pursuing Expected Completion Date

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Gender

First Time Applicant  Prior award recipient Year of award: \_\_\_\_\_

**Ascension Associates**

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Current Position Department

Number of hours worked in the past 12 months  1000 or more  
(check all that apply)  Budgeted position of 30 hours bi-weekly

**Non-Ascension Associates**

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Name of parent who is employed by an Ascension Hospital Department Number of years  
employed at an  
Ascension Hospital



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**List the scholarships that you are applying for:**

**List other health care positions held, organization, and number of service years:**

On a separate paper, please write an essay (no more than 500 words) addressing the following:

Describe your extra-curricular, school and community service activities. Describe your commitment to the healthcare field and your future goals. How will this scholarship award assist you in your goals? Finally, discuss any challenges you have dealt with and overcome and how this will help you succeed in college and beyond.

**Checklist:**

- Complete application form
- Essay on a separate sheet of paper
- Signed scholarship agreement
- Letter of acceptance to college/university and/or proof of enrollment
- Proof of GPA
- Transcripts (high school or college)
- Two current letters of recommendation
- Color photo

**ELECTRONICALLY SUBMIT APPLICATION MATERIALS IN ONE DOCUMENT TO  
ASCENSION ST. MARY'S FOUNDATION AT:**

**Karen.Stiffler@ascension.org**

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