Service Learning Scholarships

**The Foot Locker Scholarship**
The Foot Locker Scholar Athletes program celebrates high school athletes who are committed to flexing their heart and leadership skills in their communities. **Twenty winners** of this program will each receive $20,000 in scholarship funding for college – not because they scored the most touchdowns, but because of their character. Questions? E-mail footlocker@dosomething.org. [www.dosomething.org/footlocker](http://www.dosomething.org/footlocker).

**The Gloria Barron Prize for Young Heroes (Deadline: April 30)**
The Gloria Barron Prize for Young Heroes honors outstanding young leaders who have made a significant positive difference to people and our planet. Nominees, who may range in age from 8 to 18 years old, must have been the prime mover of a service activity, and demonstrated positive spirit and high moral purpose in accomplishing their goals. Nominees must be nominated by responsible adults who have solid knowledge of the young person's heroic activities, and who are not related to the nominee. [www.barronprize.org](http://www.barronprize.org).

**ING Unsung Heroes (Deadline: April 30)**
For 15 years, and with nearly $3.5 million in awarded grants, ING Unsung Heroes has proven to be an A+ program with educators. The program’s “alumni” have inspired success in the classroom and impacted countless numbers of students. Each year, 100 educators are selected to receive $2,000 to help fund their innovative class projects. Three of those are chosen to receive the top awards of an additional $5,000, $10,000 and $25,000. [www.ing.com/us/unsungheroes](http://www.ing.com/us/unsungheroes).

**America’s Promise Alliance**
The 100 Best Communities for Young People presented by ING is an annual competition, now in its fifth cycle, that rewards and recognizes communities making extraordinary efforts to reduce dropout rates and provide outstanding services and supports to their youth. These communities, while not without their own challenges to overcome, have demonstrated a significant and lasting commitment to their youth for which they deserve to be recognized and commended. [www.americaspromise.org](http://www.americaspromise.org).

**Alliant Energy Community Service Scholarship**
The Alliant Energy Foundation is offering a new scholarship opportunity to recognize outstanding community leadership in young people and help students reach their academic goals. Up to 25 $1,000 scholarships are awarded to Midwest students annually through the new Alliant Energy Foundation Community Service Scholarship Program. Award selection is based on participation in a leadership role in community service activities and volunteer work; academic grade point average; standardized test scores; and the content of a 250-word essay submission.

To be eligible, scholarship applicants must have participated in a leadership role in community service work or volunteer activities. They must also meet the following criteria:

- Be age 24 or under;
- Be a dependent child of a current customer, or be a current customer, of one of Alliant Energy's utility subsidiaries (Interstate Power and Light or Wisconsin Power and Light);
- Have a cumulative high school grade point average between 2.50 and 4.00 on a 4.0 scale (or the equivalent) - emphasis will be placed on community service leadership activities;
- Reside within the Alliant Energy service territory at the time of application; and
- Plan to enroll in, for the first time, beginning in the fall of 2012, a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited two- or four-year college or university, or vocational-technical school located within Iowa, Wisconsin or Minnesota.

Scholarship awards are for one year only and are limited to undergraduate study. Applications will be accepted from December 23rd through February 15th.
Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship  Nomination deadline December 7, 2012
The Comcast Foundation has launched the Leaders and Achievers Scholarship Program nationwide to acknowledge exemplary youth in Comcast communities. Students must be nominated by the school principal or guidance counselor. Qualified students should demonstrate a strong commitment to community service and display leadership abilities in school activities or through work experience. Principals and home-school instructors may e-mail comcast@applyists.com to verify school eligibility status and to request program materials. Each year, 1,000 high school seniors in Comcast communities will receive $1,000 scholarship awards. For more information, visit: 
www.comcast.com/Corporate/About/InTheCommunity/Partners/LeadersAndAchievers.html.

Kohl’s Kids Who Care Program  2013 nomination period will be Feb 1- Mar 15, 2013 To be eligible, the student must meet the following criteria as of March 15, 2012: Must be between the ages of 6 and 18 and not yet a high school graduate. Actions must be described in detail and should document efforts above and beyond what is expected of a child his or her age. Volunteer efforts must have occurred in the last year. Winners are chosen based on the project, benefits and outcome. This year, more than 2,200 kids will be recognized with over $420,000 in scholarships and prizes: Store Winners will receive a $50 Kohl’s Gift Card, Regional Winners will each be awarded a $1,000 scholarship for post-secondary education and National Winners will each be awarded a total of $10,000 in scholarships for post-secondary education and Kohl’s will donate $1,000 to a non-profit organization on each winner’s behalf. 

The Tylenol Scholarship
The Tylenol Scholarship program awards ten $10,000 scholarships and 150 $1,000 scholarships to students for excellence and leadership in community service. The scholarships are intended for students pursuing a career in healthcare. The program is administered by Scholarship America, Inc., and the deadline is April 30 of each year. Go to www.tylenol.com/page.jhtml?id=tylenol/news/subptyschol.inc for more information.

Best Buy
Best Buy Children’s Foundation grants scholarships to students who have good grades and outstanding community service. Best Buy awards over $2 million in scholarships to more than 1,300 students annually. Three graduating high school seniors in each U.S. Congressional District and the District of Columbia are selected to receive a scholarship of $1,000 or $2,000. Scholarship recipients will be chosen based on community service and academic achievement and must be entering an accredited U.S. university, college or technical school in the fall immediately following their high school graduation. The application deadline is February 15. Recipients will be notified by Scholarship America, administrators of the program. Go to www.bestbuy.com and click on community relations then scholarships.

Jesse Brown Scholarship
In memory of the late Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Jesse Brown, the Disabled American Veterans has established the Jesse Brown Memorial Youth Scholarship Program. Mr. Jesse Brown enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1963. Two years later, while on patrol in the DaNang area of Vietnam, Mr. Brown sustained a serious injury due to a gunshot wound while engaged in combat. From that point and over the next 39 years, the lives of millions of veterans changed for the better. Mr. Brown devoted himself to the cause of building better lives for America’s disabled veterans. For more information, go to www.dav.org/volunteers/Scholarship.aspx

Nordstrom Scholarship
Awards $10,000 scholarships to 80 outstanding high school students and help them achieve their dreams of going to college. The Nordstrom Scholarship recognizes students across the country for their exceptional scholastic achievement and community involvement. The Nordstrom Scholarship is open to high school juniors who: Live and attend school in one of the participating 30 states where Nordstrom currently has a full-line store, Have at least a 2.7 GPA (based on a 4.0 scale) throughout high school and Volunteer or participate in community services or extracurricular activities. Check the website in early 2013 for more info: http://shop.nordstrom.com/c/nordstrom-cares-scholarship.
AXA Achievement Scholarship
One winner from each state, Puerto Rico, and Washington D.C. is selected by Scholarship America for an award of $10,000. In addition, ten of those recipients are national winners and receive an additional $15,000. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of personal qualities including:
- Ambition and drive
- Determination to set and reach goals
- Respect for self, family and community
- Ability to succeed in college


Discus Awards Scholarship
The Discus Awards Scholarship honors all-around high school students. Eligible students must demonstrate excellence in three areas, not necessarily including GPA. Scholarships are awarded monthly in the amount of $2,000. To apply, visit [www.discusawards.com/scholarship-info](http://www.discusawards.com/scholarship-info).

Stephen J. Brady STOP Hunger Scholarship
The Stephen J. Brady STOP Hunger Scholarships recognize and reward students who have made a significant impact in the fight against hunger. The scholarship recipients each receive $5,000 for their education as well as a matching grant in their name for the hunger-related charity of their choice. The Stephen J. Brady STOP Hunger Scholarship is named for the Sodexo Foundation’s founder and former president, who was an unstoppable champion in the fight to end hunger. Thanks to Steve’s efforts, which made these scholarships possible, an emerging generation of leaders will be cultivated in the fight against hunger. The 2013 application period for the Stephen J. Brady STOP Hunger Scholarships is October 5 - December 5, 2013. [www.sodexofoundation.org/hunger_us/scholarships/scholarships.asp](http://www.sodexofoundation.org/hunger_us/scholarships/scholarships.asp).

Ronald McDonald House (Deadline: January 2013)
Each year, Ronald McDonald House Charities of Chicagoland & Northwest Indiana awards scholarships to extraordinary area high school seniors who are committed to pursuing post-secondary education. Once awarded, our scholarships are renewable for four years of college, contingent upon the student maintaining a specified G.P.A. and performing community service. [www.rmhc.org/rmhc-us-scholarships](http://www.rmhc.org/rmhc-us-scholarships)

Millikin University
University Service Learning Scholars Program
Millikin provides an opportunity for students to become leaders in campus and community service, and to assist in coordinated efforts to involve other students in such activities. Two $2,000 Service Learning Scholarships are awarded annually to incoming freshmen. This scholarship is over and above the Millikin Financial Aid Award and is renewable annually for four years.

The Director of the Career Center serves as the advisor to Service Learning Scholars. Contact Pam Folger to learn more about this program - [pmfolger@millikin.edu](mailto:pmfolger@millikin.edu).

Northwestern University
Founders Scholarship
Northwestern created the Founders Scholars Program in 2007 to honor the nine individuals who founded the University in 1850. Awards are offered each year to a select group of incoming students from middle income families. While academic credentials weigh heavily in the selection process, other criteria taken into account include student essays, recommendations, leadership experience and potential and academic interests. There is no separate application to receive consideration for a Founders Scholarship, as eligibility will be determined during the normal financial aid review process. Eligibility for renewal beyond the freshmen year requires a cumulative GPA of 3.0 which is reviewed on an
annual basis. Recipients must be enrolled at least half-time to maintain eligibility. (Please note: Any reduction in tuition charges may result in a reduction of scholarship funds. Please review the Term-Pricing Policy on our Eligibility page.) Award range: $13,200 average award. These scholarships are renewable for four years so long as students make satisfactory academic progress.

**Knox College**
Social Concerns Scholarships are awarded to incoming students who are already making a difference in the world. Awards of up to $5,000 per year recognize students who have demonstrated extensive, sustained participation and leadership in community service, social action, or volunteerism.

To apply for a Social Concerns Scholarship, submit an application for admission to Knox, along with a separate written statement describing your involvements and a letter of recommendation from an adviser or school official with direct knowledge of your efforts. Materials must be submitted by November 1 for Early Action I applicants, December 1 for Early Action II applicants, or February 1 for Regular Decision applicants.

**General Scholarship Guidelines**
Scholarship candidates must be admitted to Knox and be citizens or permanent residents of the United States. Scholarship recipients often qualify for additional need-based financial assistance, including grants, work-study programs and loans. Scholarships are renewable annually as long as recipients remain in good academic standing.

**Depaul University**
Community Service Scholarship Award Amount: $8,500
The Community Service Scholarship rewards students who have an exceptional record of community service and are committed to engaging in the community while at DePaul. Recipients are required to declare the community service studies minor, which provide a framework for viewing community service from the perspectives of theory, ethics and group dynamics. Recipients also must complete 30 hours of community service each quarter, attend service-learning workshops and meet with the program coordinator for advising. Students are asked to develop an electronic portfolio highlighting their experiences.

To be considered, students must demonstrate an exceptional record of service with priority going to those exhibiting consistency in their commitments, as well as an understanding of their service as it relates to larger social issues. Submission of the FAFSA by February 1, 2012 is required for consideration. For more information, visit steans.depaul.edu.

**Leadership Scholarship** Award Amount: $8,500
The DePaul Leadership Scholarship Program is designed to prepare students to act as socially responsible leaders who are dedicated to Vincentian values such as compassion, promoting human dignity and a commitment to the common good. Recipients of this scholarship will engage in leadership development experiences, community service, meaningful reflection and interfaith dialogues. Scholars will maintain supportive relationships with one another, and with mentors in the Student Leadership Institute and University Ministry.

Candidates must have demonstrated leadership ability, community service and a commitment to promoting positive change within a high school, neighborhood, or a political or religious community. Submission of the FAFSA by February 1, 2012 is required for consideration. Visit studentaffairs.depaul.edu/sli/scholars/index.asp for more information.

**Monsignor Egan Hope Scholarship** Award Amount: $15,500
The Egan Hope Scholarship Program was initiated in 1992 to honor Monsignor John Egan on the 50th anniversary of his ordination into the priesthood. The program was developed in response to a need for initiatives that would enable inner-city students from Chicago neighborhoods to earn college degrees.
To be considered, you must prove residency within the City of Chicago, graduate from a City of Chicago high school and demonstrate need as determined by the FAFSA. The FAFSA must be filed as soon as possible after January 1, 2012, but no later than February 1, 2012. You must have an exceptional record of social activism, leadership and community service. Recipients are required to commit to social activism, serve as a community leader, fulfill community service projects and participate in events determined by supervisors in the Office of Multicultural Student Success, including sessions with staff for advising, mentoring and assessment.

**University of Illinois-Urbana**

**Robert W. Rogers Scholarships (Liberal Arts & Sciences)** Amount: $1,000

Requirements: Highly qualified first-year students majoring in math or science with exceptional scholastic achievement, high performance on either the ACT or SAT examination, and evidence of leadership in the school or community

Renewable: Yes – for the sophomore year, provided the student maintains at least a 3.5 GPA and continues in the college

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**Illinois State University**

**Illinois State University Alumni Association Scholarship**

The Illinois State University Alumni Association Scholarship was created in 2009. The scholarship addresses the accessibility of undergraduate education for students who exhibit outstanding academic achievement and leadership and who demonstrate financial need through application, interview, and/or FAFSA. Additional consideration is given to students whose immediate family members have attended or graduated from the University. Each candidate must be accepted or enrolled at Illinois State, have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.8/4.0 (college) or 3.0/4.0 (high school), and must demonstrate financial need and leadership in community or co-curricular activities. Assets of this endowment are invested in the Illinois State University Endowment Investment Pool.

Class Level: incoming freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors.

Department: Alumni Relations - VP - University Advancement.

**Michael D. Schermer Student Leader Excellence Endowment Fund**

The purpose is to fund two initiatives: an award to be presented annually to the Illinois State Outstanding Student Leader of the Year as selected by the Dean of Students Office and a scholarship recognizing an incoming freshman student for his/her student government and community service experiences in high school. The scholarship is renewable for up to three years. Michael Schermer began his career at Illinois State in 1974. He served in many positions at ISU, including associate dean of students. He is active in community service on a local and national basis, including through Sigma Tau Gamma Fraternity, and has numerous awards at ISU. He retired in 2008 but continues to work in the Division of Student Affairs. Assets of this endowment are invested in the Illinois State University Endowment Investment Pool.

Department: VP of Student Affairs - VP-Student Affairs

**Lake Forest College**

**Forester Scholarships (All students)** Students may apply for one of the Forester Scholarships, which range from $3,000 to $8,000. A separate application (listed on the right) is required. Forester Scholarships recognize a dedication to academics, the arts, sciences, and community. Because of limited funds, scholarship awards will be prioritized for those students who submit their Forester Scholarship application with their application for admission. Majoring in a particular area is not a requirement of any scholarship. Scholarships submitted after March 1, 2012 will be considered as funding is available.

**Chicago Public Schools Scholarship**

The scholarship provides academically strong students from Chicago with the financial resources to attend a four-year, highly-selective institution. The scholarship is based on both merit and financial-need. For those receiving full-tuition scholarships, the award ensures that the full cost of tuition is provided after federal and state gift aid eligibility has been applied. As a Chicago Scholar, students have the opportunity to interact more deeply with their CPS peers. In working
more intimately with faculty and staff and participating in group sessions with other Scholars, students become fully immersed in the Lake Forest College Community. This year, the Class of 2012, will mark the first graduating Chicago Scholar class from Lake Forest! [www.lakeforest.edu/admissions/finaid/scholarships/cps.php](http://www.lakeforest.edu/admissions/finaid/scholarships/cps.php).

**Gates Leadership Scholarship**
Focuses on Leadership roles in extracurricular activities. Contact Admissions at (800) 828-4751.