

2019-2020 PHF/KEDA CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Portage Health Foundation (PHF) / Keweenaw Economic Development Alliance (KEDA) have a scholarship program for students graduating from the below-listed high schools in Baraga, Houghton, Keweenaw, and Ontonagon counties. <u>PHF will award one (1) \$1,000 scholarship to a graduating senior from each school</u>. The scholarship is a one-time award. PHF's intention is that recipients use the scholarship to help pay for education costs at a post-secondary school of their choosing. The successful recipient will meet the below-referenced criteria and submit their application to PHF who will anonymously review the finalist applications to make an award decision. The names of the applicants will be redacted prior to being presented to the PHF Grants Management Committee for review and award selections. Please note that this scholarship award is separate from the PHF "Making a Difference Scholarship" program administered by Michigan Tech University.

Eligible High Schools:

- Baraga
- L'Anse
- Calumet
- Chassell
- Dollar Bay-Tamarack City
- Hancock Central

- Horizons
- Houghton
- Jeffers
- Lake Linden-Hubbell
- Ewen-Trout Creek
- Ontonagon

Eligibility Criteria:

- The student must graduate during the 2019-2020 academic year;
- The student must have at least a 2.0 GPA;
- The student must be accepted for admission to a post-secondary institution (proof of acceptance must be shown – however, if the student has not received notification of acceptance, they must attach evidence that they have applied to a school and indicate when they anticipate receiving notification from that school);
- The student must be intending to seek a post-secondary degree or certification in a skilled trades or career technical education program;
- The student must be intending to be enrolled in a certificated program or, if a two- or four-year program for at least 12 credits;
- The student must demonstrate engagement in school and/or community activities; and
- The student must write a cover letter and accompanying essay in support of their application.

Important Dates:

• The student must submit a completed application to the Portage Health Foundation by 3:00 p.m. on March 20, 2020. <u>All required documentation must be included at the time of application submission, incomplete applications will not be considered</u>. Materials should be sent to:

PHFoundation ATTN: Scholarships 400 Quincy St. – PO Box 299 Hancock, MI 49930 info@phfgive.org

• PHF will mail award letters on or before May 1, 2020.



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A form-fillable application may be downloaded at www.phfgive.org/request-grants.php Date: Applicant Name: Home/Mailing Address: Telephone: ______ High School: Cumulative GPA: _____ (Please include high school transcript) Name of community college, trade school or certified training program you are registered or enrolled in (must include proof of acceptance - if you have not received a notification of acceptance, please submit proof that you have applied to a school and indicate when you anticipate hearing from that school): Intended Area of Study: Intended Degree/Certification: Please list any related coursework you have studied with corresponding dates: Please list any volunteer work you have participated in with corresponding dates: Please list your extracurricular activities (within and/or outside of school) with corresponding dates:



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Students, please prepare a one-page cover letter that addresses the following questions:

- Why do you want to continue your education;
- What do you hope to accomplish academically while continuing your education;
- How do you hope to use your education once you have completed your training; and
- How does your ongoing education relate to the Portage Health Foundation's mission?

"To positively influence a healthier community through enhanced philanthropy and collaboration."

In addition to the cover letter, please prepare a one-page essay that answers the following question:

• Why is this scholarship important to you?

Students must submit completed applications to the Portage Health Foundation no later than 3:00 p.m. on **March 20, 2020**. <u>Incomplete applications will not be considered</u>.

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR STUDENTS

I hereby affirm that all the above information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that if chosen as a scholarship winner, my picture may be taken and used to promote the scholarship program.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to PHF scholarship policy, it is my responsibility to remit to PHF the appropriate information for my scholarship to be <u>paid directly to my</u> <u>educational institution or program</u>.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, I must be present at the awards ceremony on the second Wednesday in May (May 13th) to receive my scholarship award.

I hereby understand I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

Signature of scholarship applicant: ______ Date: _____ Date: _____

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT BY GUIDANCE COUNSELOR OR PRINCIPAL

I hereby affirm that this application meets the criteria set forth by this scholarship program and that I support this application for submission to the PHF/KEDA scholarship program.

High School: _____

Signature of Guidance Counselor or Principal: _____

Printed Name/Contact Information:



STUDENT APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- \Box Fill out application (page 2)
- □ Attach your cover letter and essay
- □ Attach high school transcript
- Attach proof of your acceptance to a post-secondary institution (if you have not received notification of your acceptance, please submit proof that you have applied to a school and indicate when you anticipate hearing from that school)
- Submit completed application to the Portage Health Foundation by 3:00 p.m. on March 20, 2020

If awarded, the student will be sent a Letter of Acceptance with additional information to complete and return. The scholarship award will be paid directly to the educational institution or program.

If awarded, student must attend the Keweenaw Alliance meeting at 7:30 a.m. on May 13, 2020 at the Finnish American Heritage Center accompanied by the Principal or other designated school official.