



**Amazing Grace Sulak Scholarship Fund
2019-20 Guidelines**

Scholarship Information

The Amazing Grace Sulak Scholarship Fund was established at the Community Foundation in 2017 in memory of Grace Sulak by her family. The mission of the scholarship fund is to provide annual scholarship awards to assist qualified students who are pursuing a post-secondary education. Applicants must meet the following criteria for consideration.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Applicant must be a high school senior graduating from Bluffton High School located in Bluffton, South Carolina or May River High School located in Bluffton, South Carolina.
- Applicant must show evidence they have been accepted and will be attending an accredited college, university or technical school.
- Applicant must show evidence of outstanding academic and personal achievement, *have participated in high school athletics* and been involved in extra-curricular/community activities.
- Applicants should have a minimum cumulative weighted GPA of 3.0 on a 6.0 scale or the equivalent on an alternate scale.

Application Requirements:

- A completed [online scholarship application](#).
- A typed Essay (minimum 500 words) describing **one** of the following options:
 - Describe a time or situation in your life when you acted in a manner which shows the characteristics Grace Sulak demonstrated in living her life, i.e. kind, compassionate, loyal, generous, scholarly, honest, fun-loving, humble and hard-working.
 - Describe something or a situation in your school that you would change to make it a better place for everyone.
- An official copy of the applicant’s most recent transcript(s) showing grades for at least two years uploaded into the application via third party email from the student’s counselor or teacher.
- One letter of recommendation from a teacher, coach or mentor explaining why you should be selected to receive this scholarship uploaded into the application via third party email from the reference.
- Selected finalists may be asked to participate in a phone or personal interview with the Amazing Grace Sulak Scholarship Advisory Committee.

Scholarship Type	Undergraduate/Post Secondary	How to Apply	www.cf-lowcountry.org/scholarships
Award	Up to \$1,500	Deadline	April 4, 2019

Selection of Recipients

The Scholarship Advisory Committee shall select recipients (subject to approval by the Community Foundation of the Lowcountry Board of Directors). Scholarship funds will be awarded to cover educational costs for: tuition/fees, room and board, and books. Specific costs to be covered will be at the discretion of the Scholarship Advisory Committee. Scholarships are awarded without regard to race, sex, religion, age, or national origin.

Announcement of Scholarship Awards

The Community Foundation of the Lowcountry will send an official award letter and related information to each recipient. A public announcement of scholarship recipients may be arranged by the Community Foundation of the Lowcountry. Recipients may be further recognized through Awards Day programs at their schools.

Distribution of Scholarship Funds

The Community Foundation will advise all scholarship recipients of the distribution method of scholarship awards and review the students’ responsibilities to the Scholarship Program they have been selected for. These responsibilities may include providing notification of all address changes or changes in student status or enrollment. In accordance with the Community Foundation’s policy, scholarship funds will be paid in the form of a check made payable to the college/school of the scholarship recipient. Checks will be mailed to the college/school. Notification of payment will be sent to the scholarship recipient.