The Fresh Start Scholarship Foundation

The Fresh Start Scholarship Foundation awards scholarships and mentoring to women seeking to earn a college degree based on need, academic record and motivation to succeed.

Find out more and apply for the Fresh Start Scholarship!

Fresh Start Scholarship Application

Candidates must:

- · Be female.
- · Be a U.S. citizen or Permanent Resident.
- Be a resident of Delaware OR be currently employed in Delaware for at least the past 12 months.
- · Be at least 20 years of age and have a high school diploma or G.E.D.
- Submit an official college transcript that shows at minimum a 2.0 average GPA if currently enrolled in college or if you have attended college in the past.
- *NOTE: If NOT currently enrolled in college you will need to submit an official copy of your transcript from past college attendance (if applicable), from high school or your official copy of your GED program to be considered.
- Have had at least a two year break in education either after completing high school or during post-secondary (college) studies.
- *NOTE: Students who have previously earned a bachelor's degree are not eligible to apply.
- Be admitted to an accredited Delaware college in a two or four year degree program at the undergraduate level.
- *NOTE: You will be asked to confirm acceptance into designated college.
- Submit one (1) letter of recommendation from a college representative, a nonprofit/government agency or an employer.
- *NOTE: Letter must be on official letterhead or use provided Recommendation Form.
- Identify two (2) persons (NON-family members) to be called as a reference.

- · Certify financial need. All information submitted will be kept confidential.
- Submit a completed application including financial data, a personal statement and letter of recommendation.
- *NOTE: You may submit your application and letter of recommendation separately. However, it is your responsibility to follow up and ensure all parts of your application are received.
- · Be available for a brief telephone interview if selected as a scholarship finalist.
- If approved as a Fresh Start Scholar award winner, you must attend (1) scholar orientation session in August/ September.
- All applications need to be completely filled out to be eligible for review. Any incomplete applications will not be considered.

Scholarship Awards

The number and amount of the awards will be determined annually prior to the fall semester but will in no event exceed the costs of tuition, fees, books and other direct educational expenses. Awards will be paid to the college prior to the beginning of each semester.

Award Notification: All applicants will be notified on or before July 31 yearly.

How to Apply

Questions may be directed to:

302-397-3440 or FSSF@freshstartscholarship.org

You can either:

<u>Download the application</u> to your computer, save it and email back to us at

FSSF@freshstartscholarship.org

OR

Download the application, print it, fill it out and mail it back to us at P.O. Box 7784

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