

Pay It Forward Scholarship

Description

The Pay It Forward Scholarship is funded by the generosity of former scholarship recipients and their families who want to “give back” to the Fort Atkinson community that helped them finance their college education. As an added incentive, all gifts to the Pay It Forward Scholarship fund are matched with a contribution from the Community Foundation’s General Fund.

Full payment of the scholarship is made in one year; the scholarship is not renewable but recipients may apply again in subsequent years.

Eligibility

Eligible students are college undergraduates who:

- Will have at least junior standing at the time the scholarship is to be paid, at a four-year college or university.
- Are graduates of Fort Atkinson High School or residents of the Fort Atkinson area.
- Have a grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 point scale and are in good academic standing in their undergraduate program.

Selection

All applications will be reviewed by a selection committee consisting of a representative of the Fort Atkinson Community Foundation, the Superintendent of the Fort Atkinson School District (or his/her designee), one or two members of the community recruited by the Community Foundation, and a former recipient of the scholarship, if available.

The applicants’ financial need is a serious consideration. Extra-curricular activities, work experience, and community involvement will be considered but will not be the determining factor.