

Third-party Scholarships and Grants

Below is a list of some scholarship websites incoming and current students can explore to find additional funds to apply toward their educational expenses. This list is not comprehensive as there are many other organizations and sites which provide information on third-party scholarships. This list should be used as a tool for starting the scholarship search process. When searching for third-party scholarships, remember that you do not have to pay to find scholarships or other financial aid. If you have any questions about your application or the selection process, please reach out to the organization.

Scholarship Search Sites:

Finaid.org: https://finaid.org/scholarships/

Here you can search from over 1.5 million different scholarships worth \$3.4 billion dollars. The site is connected to Fastweb's search tool. One stand-out feature this website offers is that if you provide your email address, you can get email notifications when new scholarships have loaded that match your search.

Peterson's: <u>Scholarship Search Engine | Find Scholarships, Grant & Awards (petersons.com)</u>

Peterson's has the tools and tips you need to start your search -- and its search filters make navigation simple. Filling out a very short survey allows you to adjust the filters as you go, which gives you more control than sites that require extensive profiles to get started.

Cappex : <u>https://www.cappex.com/</u>

Cappex allows students to search both schools and scholarships, with a database of more than \$11 billion in scholarships. A proprietary calculator also allows students to gauge their chances of getting into prospective schools with user-generated data.

CollegeBoard: https://www.collegeboard.org/

The College Board's comprehensive BigFuture site helps students look up information about colleges and how to pay for school. Its scholarships search engine provides information on more than \$6 billion in scholarships, financial aid and internships.

Niche pairs students with the scholarships that match their qualifications, with studentfriendly categories like no-essay scholarships. There are two ways to utilize this website for finding the money for college: (1) browse their scholarship categories or (2) set up a profile and get matched with potential scholarship opportunities.

Scholarships.com: https://www.scholarships.com/

Whether you're a high school student, college student, nontraditional or adult-learner, complete a free profile then get matched to scholarships and grants you're qualified for from colleges, universities, organizations, foundations, corporations, government & more.

Fastweb: <u>https://www.fastweb.com/</u>

Fastweb, owned by parent company Monster.com, is a free scholarship search provider that claims to have more than 1.5 million scholarships in its database. The site will find scholarships in its database and email you matches, deadlines and newsletters.

Human Rights Campaign: Scholarship Database - HRC

The Human Rights Campaign is the largest LGBTQ advocacy group and LGBTQ political lobbying organization in the United States. They have an established LGBTQ+ student scholarship database for the undergraduate and graduate levels. You can search for scholarships in your state or just click the search arrow to see the complete list.

Scholarships for Black, African American, and Minority Students

Black Scholarships: <u>https://www.blackscholarships.org/</u>

Black Scholarships is an online directory of scholarships and financial aid opportunities for African American and other minority students. The programs listed on our web site give away millions of dollars in college funding, and are sponsored by foundations, government agencies and even corporations from all over the country.

Hispanic Scholarship Fund: https://www.hsf.net/en_US/scholarship

Every year, HSF selects approximately 10,000 outstanding students of Hispanic heritage as HSF Scholars. HSF awards more than \$30 million in scholarships annually and, depending upon available funds, HSF Scholars may also be eligible to receive a scholarship, which ranges from \$500-\$5,000 and is awarded directly to students.

Ron Brown Scholarship Program: https://ronbrown.org/apply/ron-brown-scholarship/

The Ron Brown Scholarship honors the legacy of Ronald H. Brown through a selective scholarship program that advances higher education for community-minded and intellectually gifted African Americans.

Scholarship Organizations:

NAACP Poise Foundation: <u>NAACP Scholarships — POISE Foundation</u>

POISE Foundation is proud to provide scholarship administration for the National NAACP Scholarship Program. Each year the NAACP, through generous donations, can provide scholarships to outstanding students.

CareerOne Stop: https://www.careeronestop.org/toolkit/training/find-scholarships.aspx

This is the U.S Department of Labor's free scholarship search tool. You can enter a keyword about the type of award you are looking for and use the filters to view award types, locations, level of study, and more.

Phi Mu Foundation: www.phimufoundation.org

There are a wide variety of scholarships available through the Foundation: need-based, merit-based, unrestricted, and restricted. Unrestricted scholarships are open to any eligible member who applies, while restricted scholarships are available to members from specific chapters, fields of study, states of residence or certain colleges/universities.

Scholarships for Military Families: <u>https://studentaid.gov/sites/default/files/scholarships-for-military.pdf</u>

Lists several scholarships for ROTC students, veterans, and families of veterans and military personnel.

CollegeBound Foundation: https://www.collegeboundfoundation.org/scholarship-opportunities

CollegeBound administers over 240 privately funded college scholarships in a portfolio valued at close to \$3 million. CollegeBound works exclusively in Baltimore City public schools to enable students to pursue a postsecondary education. CollegeBound manages over 220 privately funded college scholarships valued at \$3 million. Our "no scholarship management fee" policy means that 100% of each donor's contribution is applied to each scholarship. CollegeBound also awards 70 need-based last dollar grants each year to Baltimore City public school graduates attending 4-year colleges.

Baltimore Community Foundation: https://bcf.org/for-grantseekers/scholarships/

BCF uses grants, impact investing, and advocacy to address issues facing the region today, while building a civic endowment to address the needs of future generations. Their Mission is to inspire donors to achieve their charitable goals from generation to generation and to improve the quality of life in the Baltimore region through grantmaking, enlightened civic leadership and strategic investments.

The Community Foundation of Frederick County:

https://www.frederickcountygives.org/Grants-Scholarships/Scholarships

The community Foundation of Frederick County offers scholarships to Frederick County residents enrolled in post-secondary study, vocational, or technical training. Since 1986, the Community Foundation has been the leading source for post-secondary scholarship funding in Frederick County through the support provide by generous donors.

PDK Educational Foundation Scholarship Program: <u>https://pdkintl.org/scholarship-overview/</u>

Every year, the PDK Educational Foundation Scholarship Program awards scholarships across all PDK International membership categories – from high school students looking to fund their education program collegiate dreams to educators pursuing advanced degrees to take the next step in their careers – with one-time and renewable awards ranging from \$500 to \$5,000.

In-State

Kids' Chance of Maryland, Inc.: https://www.kidschance-md.org/scholarships/

The Kids' Chance of Maryland scholarship is intended to assist in obtaining a vocational or college undergraduate education for financially needy, qualified, worthy, and deserving students. The student cannot be older than 25 years of age. The student's parent or guardian must have suffered a catastrophic or fatal accidental injury or occupational disease while working for a Maryland employer. Scholarship awards vary and depend largely on the needs and educational expenses of the student. Scholarships cover tuition and books but may also include housing and meals.

Central Scholarship: <u>https://central-scholarship.org/scholarships/undergraduate-graduate-professional-scholarships/</u>

Through a variety of scholarships, Central invests in Maryland students pursuing undergraduate, graduate, and professional degrees because it leads to bright futures for themselves, their families, and the communities where they live. Whether students are preparing to enter their freshman year, are mid college career, or studying for medical school, Central offer more than 80 scholarships and interest-free loans designed to help students focus on what's important... classes.

The Howard Glen and Audrey G. Benson Trumpower Foundation Scholarship Fund:

https://www.frederickcountygives.org/Grants-Scholarships/Trumpower-Scholarship-Fund

The Community Foundation of Frederick County, located in Frederick, Maryland, administers the scholarship selection process for the Trumpower Foundation Scholarship Fund. The Harold Glen and Audrey G. Benson Trumpower Foundation Scholarship application will be available for the 2021-2022 academic year beginning March 1, 2021. The completed application with required attachments must be submitted online no later than 11:59 p.m. EST on Tuesday, March 31, 2021.

A link to the application will be posted on their webpage closer to March 1.

Workforce Shortage Student Assistance Grant Program:

https://mhec.maryland.gov/preparing/pages/financialaid/programdescriptions/prog_wssag.aspx

The Workforce Shortage Student Assistance Grant (WSSAG) program is for students who plan on working in specific career/occupational programs upon graduation. Eligible fields include childcare, human services, teaching, nursing, physical and occupational therapy, social work, and public service.

2+2 Transfer Scholarship:

https://mhec.state.md.us/preparing/Pages/FinancialAid/ProgramDescriptions/prog_2_plus_2.asp X

Established by the Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC), the 2+2 Transfer Scholarship is awarded to Maryland community college students seeking to earn a bachelor's degree. This scholarship is awarded in \$2,000 amounts for STEM or nursing students, and \$1,000 amounts for eligible students of all other types of study. Students awarded with the 2+2 transfer scholarship can renew for up to three years or six semesters of study; award recipients must maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA at a Maryland-based institution to renew.

Part-Time Grant:

https://mhec.maryland.gov/preparing/Pages/FinancialAid/ProgramDescriptions/prog_ptgrant.asp X

Who may apply: Part-time, degree-seeking undergraduates and students dually enrolled in a Maryland high school and an institution of higher education. You and your parents (if you are a dependent student) must be Maryland residents. You must enroll at a two-year or four-year Maryland college or university as a part-time (3-11 credits per semester), degree-seeking undergraduate student. You must demonstrate financial need.

Educational Assistance Grant (EA):

https://mhec.maryland.gov/preparing/Pages/FinancialAid/ProgramDescriptions/prog_ea.aspx

Who may apply: Current high school seniors and full-time, degree-seeking undergraduates. You and your parents (if you are a dependent student) must be Maryland residents. You must enroll at a two-year or four-year Maryland college or university* as a full-

time (12+ credits per semester), degree seeking, undergraduate student. Audited courses cannot be used to reach the minimum credit hours required for full-time status. You must demonstrate financial need. All applicants are ranked by Expected Family Contribution (EFC). Your EFC is based on information reported on the FAFSA or MSFAA. Students with the lowest EFC are awarded first.

Guaranteed Access Grant:

https://mhec.state.md.us/preparing/Pages/FinancialAid/ProgramDescriptions/prog_gagrant.aspx

The Howard P. Rawlings Guaranteed Access (GA) Grant is a grant that provides postsecondary financial assistance to eligible in-state students currently enrolled as high school seniors who will complete a college preparatory program or a student who has obtained a General Educational Development Diploma (GED) and is under the age of 26. The amount of the GA Grant equals 100 percent of the student's financial need, and a student may receive an award for up to \$19,400.

Teaching Fellows for Maryland Scholarship:

https://mhec.maryland.gov/preparing/Pages/TeachingFellowsMDScholarship.aspx

The Teaching Fellows for Maryland Scholarship is awarded to students who pledge to work as public school or public pre-kindergarten teachers in Maryland upon completion of their studies at schools that have at least 50% of the students in the school eligible for free or reduced-price meals (FRPM). Service obligations are provided on the webpage above.

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