

The Muscatine County Soil and Water Conservation Districts'
Ralph L. Kirchner Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund

Community Foundation
of Greater Muscatine

The Muscatine County Soil and Water Conservation District (the District) has established this scholarship program through the Community Foundation of Greater Muscatine for graduating Muscatine County students. One \$1,000 scholarship is available this year and up to five scholarships may be awarded thereafter.

To be eligible, a student must be a graduating senior, a Muscatine County resident, have a 2.5 cumulative GPA, and intend to pursue a career in conservation or agriculture. Preference will be given first, to those students enrolling at accredited educational institutions in conservation or agricultural programs, and secondly, those students demonstrating unmet financial need.

**Unmet financial need can include those who do not qualify for needs-based grants or scholarships, and do not have sufficient means to finance a post-secondary education.*

Students should apply through their school's regular scholarship application process. High school scholarship awarding committees will screen applications and forward applications to the Community Foundation for review and selection. The recipient's high school will be notified upon selection. Applications should be faxed to the Community Foundation at 563-264-3383 or emailed to jholdorf@givinggreater.org. Submissions will receive acknowledgement of receipt. The Community Foundation Selection Committee will determine recipients.

Scholarship awards will be paid to the post-secondary educational institution upon proof of enrollment verification from that institution. Qualifying costs include tuition, fees, books, materials and tools payable to the post-secondary educational institution.