



2026 Foundation Scholarship Opportunities

South Eddy County residents are invited to apply for scholarships for which they qualify at the following online address: www.carlsbadfoundation.org/scholarships. These scholarships are specifically for continuing or returning college/vocational school students. The Foundation reserves the right to not award any of these scholarships due to lack of qualified applicants, availability of funds or any other reason. **Only apply for scholarships for which you meet the minimum requirements listed.** Failure to do so may result in disqualification of your application for all Foundation scholarships.

Application period: June 1, 2026 to June 30, 2026 **Deadline:** June 30, 2026

Key: Scholarship name, (Minimum requirements to apply, such as Minimum GPA, field of study, school to attend, etc.), Summary
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Sidney & LaVerne Bernard Memorial Scholarship, (3.5, *Advanced nursing*), This scholarship is designated to assist residents planning careers in the advanced practice of nursing (BSN or higher).

Carlsbad Business Women's Scholarship, (2.5, *Business-related, female, 20+ years old*), Established when the Business and Professional Women's Association closed after many years of service to the community.

Carlsbad Contract Bridge League Scholarship, (2.5, *Preference for Education major, Full time student if undergraduate*), Established by the Carlsbad Contract Bridge League to support students, preferably in Education.

Carlsbad Humane Society, Inc. Scholarship Fund, (3.5, *Veterinary School, intention to return to Carlsbad*), Awarded to a student enrolled in a veterinary school.

CCDC Construction and Industrial Vocational Training Scholarship, (*Construction and Industrial Vocational Training related field of study. SENMC preferred. Other NM schools may be considered*), This scholarship was established in 2023 by the Carlsbad Community Development Corporation to support construction and industrial vocational fields of study.

DeVaney/SECAER Memorial Scholarship, (2.5, *Education, SENMC*), Established by the South Eddy County Association of Educational Retirees in memory of Carlsbad educator Dr. F. Elena DeVaney and other deceased members of the association. Preference may be given to those planning to use their skills in the community upon completion.

Beryl Durham AIA Memorial Scholarship, (2.0, *Preference for architecture, engineering, vocational field, or other related field, Full time*), This scholarship is awarded in memory of local architect, Beryl Durham.

Eddy County Contractors, (*Vocational-related degree, including construction, plumbing, electrical, welding or other vocational field*), Established by the Eddy County Contractors Association to promote construction-related studies.

Elizabeth (Betsy) A. Feezer Memorial Scholarship, (3.25 GPA to apply (2.5 to maintain), *full time at NMSU in Las Cruces, Involvement in school or community activities, full-time*), Established in memory of Betsy Feezer, who was a student at NMSU.

Sherry Griffin Memorial Scholarship, (3.25, *Finance or related field, full-time preferred*), Established in memory of Sherry Griffin.

Helenn-Olive Fine Arts Scholarship, (2.5, *Advanced study in Fine Art*), Established through the will of Helen Olive Rumpel, this scholarship is for the advanced study of fine arts.

Lucille Heimer Henning Memorial Scholarship, (3.25, *Full time program leading to a Bachelors in Elementary Education, 3rd or 4th year student*), Established by Rocky & Linda Aycock in memory of Linda's sister, Lucille Heimer Henning, who was a specialist in early childhood education.

Edwin & Nettie Hilbert Memorial Scholarship, (*Physics*), Edwin Hilbert established this scholarship in his Will to provide support to a student who graduated from CHS or attended SENMC and is majoring in Physics.

Paul Johnson Memorial Scholarship, (*3.0, Graduate of Carlsbad school system, must be approved for admission into the Nursing Program, SENMC*), Established in memory of Paul Johnson by his wife, Olive Johnson.

John M. Kanto Memorial Nursing Scholarship, (*3.0, Advanced Nursing (BSN or higher), Good standing with school*), Established in loving memory of John through the estate of his mother, Florene Kanto.

Don & Sarrah Kidd NMSU Scholarship, (*3.2, Transfer student from NMSU-C/SENMC to NMSU (Minimum two years with at least 48 credit hours at NMSU-C/SENMC), full-time*), This unique scholarship fund picks up students as they transfer enrollment from NMSU Carlsbad (now SENMC) to the main campus of New Mexico State University in Las Cruces.

Marie Leone Memorial Nursing Scholarship, (*3.0, Nursing*), Established in memory of Marie Leone to support nursing students.

Agnes Gaetjens Lieberwirth Memorial Scholarship Fund, (*2.5, Completed first year of nursing studies, NMSU-C or studying to be Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant at another university*), Established by Roseanna Gaetjens, relatives and friends in memory of Agnes Gaetjens Lieberwirth. Preference may be given to those who will work in the area or those involved in school/community activities.

Lualyn Educational Scholarship, (*2.5, however minimum GPA will be waived if student has a learning disability, must be a graduate of any high school in Carlsbad or Loving school districts*), Established by an anonymous donor in 2018.

Eva Rasman Lunsford Memorial Nursing Scholarship, (*3.0, Advanced Nursing (BSN or higher), Good standing with school*), Established in loving memory of Eva Rasman Lunsford through the estate of her daughter, Florene Kanto.

Donna Umstead Markle Nurse Scholarship, (*2.5, Must be accepted into the Nursing Program, Preference SENMC*), Established by George B. Markle, M.D. in memory of his wife, Donna, to support students seeking an Associate's Degree in Nursing at NMSU Carlsbad (now SENMC) or other regional school.

NMSU-C Memorial Trust Scholarship, (*2.5, Preference for those with no other scholarship, SENMC*), Established in 1980 by a group of anonymous donors, the fund was transferred to the Foundation in 1983. The scholarship is in memory of the regents, school board members, administrators, instructors, staff and others who gave so much of themselves in developing NMSU-Carlsbad from 1950 – 1974. The institution became Southeast New Mexico College in 2022.

Dr. Lisa Perozynski Memorial Scholarship, (*3.25, Full time, preference to social service or education majors, SENMC*), Established in memory of Dr. Lisa Perozynski.

Judge David Redford Memorial Scholarship, (*3.0, Preference for Criminal Justice or related field, Full time, SENMC*), Friends of Judge Redford established this scholarship in his memory. In addition to serving as a Municipal Judge for 12 years, he was also an assistant professor of Criminal Justice at NMSU Carlsbad. He was also a U.S. Air Force veteran.

Nancy Jean Reid Nursing Scholarship, (*2.5, Nursing*), This scholarship was established in memory of Nancy Jean Reid to provide assistance to nursing students.

Dean "Doc" Reynolds Scholarship, (*Prefer already accepted into program, Veterinary School*), The family and friends of Dr. Reynolds established this fund in his memory. Dr. Reynolds graduated from Washington State University School of Veterinary Medicine in 1965. He moved to Carlsbad in 1966 and started a veterinary practice, which he had until his death.

Dorothy M. Schultz Memorial Scholarship, (*3.0, Education, SENMC*), This scholarship is used for a student at Southeast New Mexico College pursuing studies in elementary or secondary education.

Jeanette Wertheim Sparks Memorial Nursing Scholarship, (*2.5, Nursing, Preference for SENMC, full-time*), This fund was established in memory of Jeanette Wertheim Sparks.

The Spring Scholarship, (*2.5, Nursing, SENMC, full-time*), This fund was established when Southeastern United Family Services closed.

Shona St. John Scholarship, (*3.0, Citizenship, second year student or beyond, intent to be a Physical Therapy Assistant or Physical Therapist, need may be considered*), Established by the late Virginia Overbay Harding in memory of her granddaughter.

Michael Tottenhoff Memorial Scholarship, (2.5, Nursing at SENMC (must have completed 1 year of nursing) or be accepted to an advanced nursing program at another accredited university), This scholarship is available to students pursuing nursing at SENMC or students pursuing a degree as a Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant.

Lynnette Walker Memorial Nursing Scholarship, (2.5, Nursing, Preference for SENMC), This scholarship was established in memory of Lynnette Walker. She received her degree in nursing from NMSU Carlsbad and later served as the Director of Nursing at Lakeview Christian Home.

Jack H. White, Jr. Memorial Scholarship, (3.0, Hotel Restaurant and Tourism Management Program at NMSU (Sophomore year must be completed), preference to graduate of NMSU-C/SENMC, NMSU), Mrs. Frankie White established this scholarship in memory of her son, Jack White Jr. The scholarship is awarded to a NMSU junior, from Carlsbad, in the Hospitality and Tourism program. Jack Jr. was instrumental in starting the program at NMSU.

R.E. & Juanita Rose Willis Scholarship, (Must have 30 credit hrs at NMSU-C/SENMC), This scholarship was originally established in memory of R.E., the first full-time professor at NMSU-Carlsbad (now SENMC). Candidates must have completed a minimum of 30 credit hours at NMSU-C/SENMC and plan to transfer to a four-year institution.

Neal H. Wills Memorial Scholarship, (2.5, GPA, ACT or SAT scores, any college grades and need will be considered), This fund was established in memory of Carlsbad pioneer and philanthropist Neil Wills.

Leslie Messer Wilson Memorial Scholarship, (2.5, Nursing (Must have completed 1st year of nursing), SENMC), The Messer family and friends established this fund in memory of their daughter Leslie.