

UNION SCHOOL ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION (U.S.A.S.F.)

Mission Statement of the U.S.A.S.F.

The goal of the Union School Association Scholarship Foundation, as part of the Union School Association, is to help provide access to higher education for Union students. As part of this mission, the USASF raises funds for student aid distribution and distributes awards on a fair and non-discriminatory basis.

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In 1994 The Union School Association formed a scholarship fund to assist Union School graduates in furthering their education. Scholarships are awarded annually to graduating high school seniors who are pursuing post-secondary education and have participated in community service activities.

Students who apply for a scholarship must currently live in Union and have graduated from Union Elementary School. They are also required to be graduating or have graduated from a Union Board of Education approved high school.

Scholarship applications are available to eligible graduating high school seniors each spring. All eligible students who complete an application will receive a scholarship award. The U.S.A.S.F. Scholarship Committee takes into consideration student academic achievement, school activity, community involvement, student need to meet the cost of their chosen education program, and a submitted essay to determine scholarship awards. Eligible students can access the application for the Union Scholarship at <http://www.cfect.org/Scholarships/HowtoApplyforaScholarship/tabid/211/Default.aspx> .

If a graduating high school student chooses to delay their opportunity to apply for the one time U.S.A.S.F. scholarship, the student has the obligation to contact the U.S.A.S.F. within two years of their high school graduation to request permission to apply.

The U.S.A.S.F. is affiliated with The Community Foundation of Eastern Connecticut, a non-profit, charitable organization founded in 1982 by a small group of visionary community leaders. Today it is the geographically largest community foundation in Connecticut.

OUR EVENTS

Annual Giving Appeal - Since its inception in 1994 the U.S.A.S.F. has enjoyed generous support for its annual fall giving appeal from the citizens of Union, their families and friends, and past scholarship recipients. Donations can be made to one of our three funds: the General Fund, the John Geissler Memorial Fund, and the Jerry Baggish Fund. Donations can be made to the USASF, % Union Elementary School, 18 Kinney Hollow Road, Union, CT 06076.

Strides for Scholars 5K Road Race - Beginning in 2014 the U.S.A.S.F. has held its annual 5K road race. Runners and walkers are invited to participate in this fun, exciting event, which is currently held in April each year. For further information go to <https://runsignup.com/Race/CT/Union/StridesForScholars>.

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

1995 - Jed Upson

1996 - Catherine Bocciarelli

1997 - Kristin Bauer
Alisha Mihaliak
Lisa Shemansky

1999 - Amber D'Amico
Jamie Rizner
Laurie Shemansky

2000 - James Bouffard
Carly Gustafson
Derek Leffingwell

2001 - Sara Emhoff
Diana Graves
Abbey Mihaliak
Nicholas Murdock
William Shemansky

2002 - Laura Friedrich

2003 - Rachael Burkey
Allison Emhoff
Melanie Mihaliak

2004 - Thomas Bradrick
Scott Friedrich

2005 - Zandra Bogar
Laura Bradrick
Jesse Trinque

2006 - Kristin Geissler
Kirstie McQuaid

2007 - Trisha Bogar
Charlotte Holberry

2008 - Alyssa Geissler
Ashley Jellen

2009 - Ray Shearer
Stephanie Shearer

2010 - Jennifer Artruc
Stephanie Jellen

2012 - Jacqueline Jolin

2013 - Jonathan Robertson

2014 - Mallory Pellerin
Dylan Seekins

2015 - Shannon Huda
Calvin Wentworth
Jennifer Zeiger

2016 - Joshua Lambert
Mikayla Jones

2017 - Alexandra Matthews

2018 - Caroline Eaton
Connor Huda
Abigail Lefemine

2019 - Ethan Adams
Mackenzie Eaton
Zachary Lambert
Chloe Nolin
Jessica Vennart

2020 - Avery Jones
Kansas Sienna

2021 - Alexia Adams
Andrew Johnson
Ciara MacKinnon
Olivia Ott
Maria Santucci

2022 - Alison Bessette
Nathan Gaug
Summer Ko-Szych
Jordan Sienna

2023 - Elizabeth Morgis.

2024 - Cade Jones

For more information on the U.S.A.S.F., please contact the Union Elementary School at 860-684-3146.