



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Vocational, Trade School or College/University Study

All young people dream about their futures, but for those whose parents have been injured or killed on the job it's harder to make those dreams come true. Kids' Chance of West Virginia helps them achieve their goals by ensuring they have the financial support they need to continue their education.

Kids' Chance of West Virginia scholarships are available to West Virginia students between the ages of 15 - 23 whose parent or legal guardian was seriously, catastrophically or fatally injured in a documented, work-related accident. The scholarship may be used to pursue a degree, diploma or certificate from an accredited vocational or trade school, college or university in any field of study.

Scholarship recipients are selected based upon their academic performance, evaluation of need for financial assistance, personal leadership and their demonstrated and potential contributions to their schools and communities.

Each scholarship provides a minimum of \$1,000 which may be used for tuition, room and board, books or other expenses. Scholarships are awarded for the academic year, but may be considered for renewal up to five years. To be eligible for ongoing support, the individual must be a full-time student in good standing, with a minimum 2.5 grade point average and ongoing need for financial assistance.

Application Process

Kids' Chance of West Virginia scholarships are administered by the Greater Kanawha Valley Foundation. Scholarships are for one year only; a renewal application must be filed for subsequent years. To apply, complete the foundation's online scholarship application at www.tgkvf.org/scholar.htm. In addition to the application, students must submit the foundation's financial form, the first page of the most recent federal income tax return for their family, grade transcript and letters of recommendation. The application deadline is February 12, 2025. The foundation processes the applications for review and approval by the scholarship selection committee. Recipients will be notified by May 15. For more information about the application and selection process, contact Susan Hoover, the Greater Kanawha Valley Foundation, at (304)346-3620 or shoover@tgkvf.org.

Kids' Chance of West Virginia, Inc.

Kids' Chance of West Virginia is a nonprofit organization that provides scholarships to the sons and daughters of West Virginia residents who have been seriously, catastrophically or fatally injured in a work-related accident. Too often these children lack the financial resources to attend an accredited trade school, vocational school, college or university. Kids' Chance provides scholarships that allow them to pursue a degree or certificate in any field of study at both in-state and out-of-state schools, colleges and universities. Funding for Kids' Chance is provided through tax-deductible donations from individuals, companies, foundations and other organizations as well as through annual fundraising events. Kids' Chance of West Virginia was established in December 1998 through the work of Gov. Cecil H. Underwood and others appointed to the Kids' Chance Task Force.

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