PHPC Foundation Scholarship

**Application Deadline: February 16, 2018**

PHPC scholarship funds are awarded in two primary categories:  Church Leadership Scholarship Awards and College Freshman Scholarship Awards.

**I.  CHURCH LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS**

All Church Leadership Scholarship Awards (CLSA) recognize an individual’s involvement and leadership in the PHPC Youth Group, as well as other church activities, and her or his commitment to mission and service through the church and in the community.  Most have common criteria and application requirements. However, three of the scholarships have location-specific criteria, some consider financial need, and one requires a second essay. Some of the awards are potentially renewable from one year to the next; amounts awarded as Church Leadership Scholarships vary annually, the minimum award is $1,000.00.

CLSAs with common criteria

Most of the scholarships that bear a person’s name were established to honor him/her by providing financial support for higher education to a young person who has demonstrated exceptional involvement, leadership, and service, as noted above.  They are not based on financial need and can be used at any accredited institution of higher education.

CLSAs with specific criteria or additional requirements

Several funds have specific restrictions or requirements.

1. Criteria regarding educational institution -
* The Catherine Rose Scholarship is awarded to a student attending Yale University,
* The Paul M. Lander Scholarship is awarded to a student attending

TCU,

* The Global Studies Scholarship is awarded to a student attending

 either UTD, Lehigh or Austin College enrolled in the “Global

 Studies” program or equivalent.

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1. Criteria regarding documented financial need -
* Frances and Luther Ellison Scholarships
* Alan and Jeanne Dodds Scholarship
* Genesis I Scholarship
* Genesis II Scholarship
* Paul M. Lander Scholarship (TCU)
* Tuesday Men’s Breakfast Scholarship
* Global Studies Scholarship (UTD, Lehigh or Austin College Global Studies program)

Applications for these scholarships – Ellison, Dodds, Lander, Genesis I and II, Tuesday Men’s Breakfast and Global Studies – require submission of the PHPC Foundation *Confidential* Abbreviated Statement of Financial Need in addition to the Application Form, essay, and transcript. You need to submit this financial information, along with all other application materials, to the PHPC Chief Financal Officer, who is the *only* person who will see the completed financial reports.  This person will provide a very high-level summary/assessment of the financial needs of the applicants relative to one another to the Scholarship Committee.

Criteria and additional requirement for the Jonathan Roorda Scholarship

The Jonathan Roorda Scholarship is awarded to a graduating senior, an undergraduate, or a graduate student who is a top honor student with well-defined goals and who demonstrates the discipline and leadership needed to achieve these goals.  In short, the recipient will possess the same hunger and passion for learning and achievement that Jonathan had, the late son of previous PHPC associate pastor Rev. Dr. Erv and Andrea Roorda..  This scholarship is not based on need, but rather is a special recognition and reward for someone who has worked hard and succeeded.

The application process for the Roorda Scholarship requires that, in addition to the Application Form, essay, and transcript, you must write a 300-400 word essay describing what excites you about learning and what future benefits you see growing from that excitement.

**As a first-time applicant for a Church Leadership Scholarship, you will need to submit the following:**

1. The PHPC Scholarship Application Form (available on main Foundation page [www.phpc.org/foundation)](http://www.phpc.org/foundation)

2. A personal essay of at least 600 - 800 words, that “introduces” you to the Scholarship Committee and is focused on the following four areas:

* Your involvement and leadership in PHPC youth group and church (during grades 9-12);
* Your commitment to mission and service through the church and in the community;
* Ways in which the church has been important in your life and development thus far; and
* Your plans (at this point) for college and future.

3. Your most recent transcript.

4. The PHPC Foundation *Confidential* AbbreviatedStatement of Financial Need (available on main Foundation page [www.phpc.org/foundation)](http://www.phpc.org/foundation)**IF** you wish to be considered for the Ellison, Dodds, Lander, Genesis I and II, Tuesday Men’s Breakfast or Global Studies Scholarships.

5. A second essay **IF** you wish to apply for the Roorda Scholarship.

All materials must be sent to the PHPC Chief Financial Officer and received in the church office by email, regular mail or hand-delivery no later than 4 p.m. on **February 16, 2018**. Any application received after this date, or incomplete applications, will not be considered.

**Il.  COLLEGE FRESHMEN SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS**

Awarded to:

1. Individuals who apply for but are not awarded a CLSA
2. Individuals who apply directly for CFSs

These one-time awards are based *not* on financial need or extent of church involvement, but on the church’s desire to recognize and support its young people as they embark on their new educational ventures.  The amount of these awards varies annually.

**To apply for a College Freshman Scholarship, you need to submit the following:**

* The PHPC Scholarship Application Form (available on main Foundation page [www.phpc.org/foundation)](http://www.phpc.org/foundation)
* A personal essay of 400-600 words, detailing your involvement in PHPC’s Youth Group, ways in which the church has been important in your development to this point, and your plans for the future.
* No financial form or transcript is needed.

All materials are to be sent to the Church Financial Officer and must be received in the church office by email, regular mail or hand-delivery no later than 4 p.m. on **February 16, 2018**. Any application received after this date, or incomplete applications, will not be considered.

**SCHOLARSHIP RENEWALS**

The Ellison scholarship award is potentially a multi-year award. The school specific awards (Lander, Rose and Global Studies) and Genesis I & II may be renewed, however, renewal applicants will have second priority in award decisions, with preference given to entering college freshmen.

Scholarship instructions and applications are available for downloading from this website.  At this time, they cannot be completed online. **The deadline for applying for a scholarship for 2018-19 is 4pm, February 16, 2018.**