

Scholarship Recipient Hanna Hughes

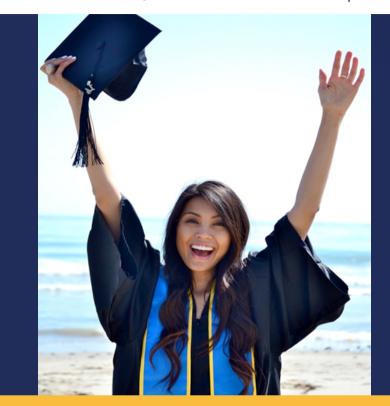
About the Scholarship

During PAF's daily interactions with patients, PAF staff often interface with patients (or their loved ones) who have experienced the impact a chronic illness or life-threatening disease has on post-secondary education. In 2000, PAF founder Nancy Davenport-Ennis established the Scholarship for Survivors program to honor these individuals by offering educational scholarships to individuals who have suffered (or are suffering) a life-threatening disease or chronic condition. These students have, despite their illness/condition, excelled academically, served the community, and desire to pursue secondary education. 421 Butler Farm Road Hampton, VA 23666

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Scholarship for Survivors Undergraduate Program



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PAF's Scholarship for Survivors

The purpose of our scholarship program is to provide support to individuals, who have been diagnosed with or treated for cancer, or other chronic, life-threatening, debilitating disease within the past five years.

Scholarship Amount and Distribution

Selected applicants will receive \$3,000 annually up to four consecutive years, as long as student adheres to the program guidelines.

The award is payable in equal amounts of \$1,500 for the Fall and Spring semesters directly to the college or university to defray costs for tuition, books and other fees.

How to Apply

Visit www.patientadvocate.org/scholarships for additional information or to download application.

Eligibility Requirements

- Applicant must be a legal resident of the United States of America under the age of 25.
- Applicant must have been diagnosed with and/or been actively treated for a chronic, life threatening or life debilitating disease within the past five years.
- Applicant must be a full-time student pursuing an Associate degree or higher.
- Applicant must complete Scholarship for Survivors application in full (Part A-F).
- Applicant must write an essay on how their diagnosis has impacted their lives and future goals (1000 word maximum).
- Applicant's treating physician must complete Diagnosis Verification Form.
- Applicant must provide two letters of recommendation from non-related persons (examples: teachers, coaches, community leaders). Recommendation letters must be submitted on business letterhead and include signatory's contact information within the letter.
- Applicant must provide an <u>OFFICIAL</u> high school or college transcript; whichever is applicable. (Screen shots will not be accepted)
- Applicant <u>must</u> submit completed financial form (Part F) that will demonstrate financial need and include a copy of the first two pages of tax return for the individual claiming student as a dependent. If a tax return was not filed, please provide an <u>official letter of non-filing</u> from the <u>IRS</u> and complete the <u>Declaration of No Income Form.</u>

An Alternate Approach

The National Financial Resource Directory

Patient Advocate Foundation helps patients know they are not alone when dealing with healthcare needs. There are national and regional resources dedicated to improve access to quality care and decrease the financial burden of medical treatment, and we can help you locate them quickly and easily. We encourage you to utilize another resource available through our organization's website.

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"I am beyond grateful to have been selected as one of the recipients of the PAF scholarship. I am currently attending a private nursing school, and this comes with a big financial burden. My dream is to help others afflicted with the hardship of cancer. This scholarship will help me lessen my student loans and allow me to be one step closer to achieving my goal of becoming a Pediatric Oncology Nurse. I am so honored and so appreciative of this generous gift."

-Sarah Hoang