newhavenscholarshipfund.org

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FIRST YEAR & MULTI-YEAR SCHOLARSHIPS OUR STORY

The original mission of our founder, Hillhouse High School math teacher Jean Lovell, was to enable low income, New Haven students with academic potential, to begin the pursuit of a college or technical school degree. She saw first hand, former students unable to go to college and contemplating dropping out, for purely financial reasons. So the idea of providing scholarships was born. One of our current Board Members, James Barber, was one of the earliest recipients of Jean Lovell's helping hand at a crucial time when he would not have been able to continue college. With her award, he was able to complete his college degree, which enabled him to become a respected Southern CT State University administrator and New Haven community leader.

Several years ago, a former Board Member proposed that we offer continuing awards for students beyond the first year. Money was put aside and a very limited number of students were able to apply for a scholarship for the their next college year. So began our multi-year awards. The New Haven Scholarship Fund Board has made it their mission to continue to raise funds for first year

and continuing scholarships. Students applying for these scholarships do so on their own initiative at the end of their current college year for the next academic year. Last year, in addition to the 208 first year awards, we were able to give 87 awards to continuing students!

College costs have risen dramatically since our founding in 1959. The number of students applying for our scholarships has increased and the need for continued financial assistance is apparent. The New Haven Scholarship Fund provides crucial funding toward the success of our New Haven high school graduates. The NHSF gives scholarships to students who choose to go to colleges in Connecticut, out of state and to technical and trade schools.

Your donations make a difference in supporting the goals of our recipients!



THANK YOU FROM OUR RECIPIENTS



Dear Donors,

I am honored to be one of the recipients of the NHSF. Thanks to your generous support I am able to further my education as a nontraditional student. Being an independent, first -generation student while enduring housing insecurity has presented me with financial and academic challenges in the

past year. There were many times in which I questioned whether or not to continue pursuing higher education. However, when I think of all the individuals supporting me, I know that I have made the right choice. Your fund has helped me to realize the true value of education. I thank you for that.

Two years ago, I could not have predicted that I would be conducting activism on campus, running a volunteer organization to support homeless students, serving as a mentor for my fellow UConn Huskies, and excelling in my studies. And, although times are uncertain, I am sure of one thing: I am right where I need to be...

Dear NHSF Family,

Thank You! Thank You! Thank you! I am here today because you gave me a chance to achieve my dream of attending college. You've been supporting me since the beginning of my college career. How can I not be thankful? I am indebted to you and future scholars like myself.

In Burundi (East Africa), I gave up on education because my parent could not afford to pay for it. I was too young to think about earning money to pay for my education because I did want to learn.

At the age of 14, I moved to Connecticut with a dream to go back to school without worrying about how I should pay for it. I was glad to learn that I did not have to pay Wilbur Cross High school to attend there and complete my high school education. Sooner or later, I realized that to continue with higher education, I had to pay. At the same time, I was thankful that I didn't have to pay for college with cash from my pocket. Your existence made me grow confident to study hard. I promise to pay it forward, no matter how long it will take me.

Thank you very much for paving a bright future for me.



YOU'RE INVITED:

BE A PART OF NHSF'S DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION

You've surely felt the pressure we have all experienced to become more tech savvy in this time of unprecedented technological growth. At the New Haven Scholarship Fund, we have shifted our way of working! With the support of funding from the Community Foundation for Greater New Haven and the experts at Carnelian, we are investing in our ability to conduct business over the internet so that we can be more resilient and responsive to you and our community.

What is Digital Transformation? It's a process of developing an organization through technology. At NHSF, we know that serving more students with more scholarships throughout their time in college is critical to the strength and well-being of our community. We're building an infrastructure for the future of our work and your children.

What role do you play in this transformation? Our consultants, Carnelian, are helping us not only with embracing, adopting, and upgrading to the right technology, but also with tapping into you – our community – for your knowledge, your insights, and your expertise to inform a new NHSF infrastructure that reflects and serves you and your experiences. From this work you'll see changes in our website, in our application process, and in our ability to listen to your needs, concerns, and visions of the future.

Contact us at info@carnelianforchange.com to learn more about our digital transformation initiative, to get involved, and to learn how you can support NHSF in achieving more scholarships for more students.



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"Be the change you wish to see in the world" \sim Mahatma Ghandi

Think that only the wealthy can leave money to charity? In fact, most bequests are made by ordinary, hardworking people who want to make a difference in their community. Including a charitable bequest to the New Haven Scholarship Fund in your will is a way to support "the change that you want to see in the world".

You have already committed to the students of New Haven Public Schools year after year through your annual donations. A bequest can continue your legacy with us, and in turn continue to make a difference in the lives of so many New Haven students. It is a great way to ensure that the vital work provided by the NHSF continues for generations into the future.

You can bequeath any amount.

- •A gift of \$1,000 will allow you to name an award in honor of someone for that year.
- •A gift of \$10,000 or more will establish an endowed, lifetime, named award.
- •Transfers of securities are always welcomed.

Create your legacy today and make a positive impact in the lives of New Haven students and the world. Visit our website at newhavenscholarshipfund.org or email us at newhavenscholarship@yahoo.com.

Wishing you peace, love, and joy this holiday season and throughout 2022

