**FHC’s Community Education Foundation (CEF) now accepting**

**2025 Spring Scholarship Applications**

FHC’s Community Education Foundation is now accepting applications for the Spring 2025 academic term. Founded in 2010, the FHC Community Education Foundation was created to foster and encourage members of FHC communities to seek post-high school educational opportunities, including 2- or 4-year undergraduate degrees, vocational programs and graduate studies. Applications will be accepted from any member of FHC’s communities, including

* FHC employees and their families.
* Immediate family members of FHC customers, vendors, and industry partners.
* Residents of communities in and surrounding Bowdoin, Maine; Greenville, Pennsylvania; Valley Forge, Pennsylvania; Bucharest, Romania; Medellín, Colombia; Bozeman, Montana

The twelve awards of $500 or $1000 for the 2025 Spring will be based on academic progress and financial need, as well as content and presentation of the required short essays. Of the scholarship money, one third is awarded to applicants who are not affiliated with FHC. Funds will be awarded directly to the student, ensuring that they will be tax-free and can be excluded from calculations involving any other student scholarship awards. Funds may be used for school expenses such as books, housing, travel, etc.

In addition to the traditional CEF grant awards, the Scholarship Committee will also be selecting a recipient for the *Brian Carter Memorial Scholarship*. This $500 grant was donated by an FHCer and is intended to be presented to a deserving student pursuing post high school studies in at least one of the following areas: *photography, machine tool techniques, conservation/wildlife studies, music, or aviation*. The scholarship honors the memory and life interests of longtime FHCer, Brian Carter.

For more information on the scholarship requirements, necessary documents, and application form, please visit <https://www.fh-co.com/community-involvement> . **Applications for the 2025 Spring term are now being accepted**. **Completed Applications can be emailed to** **hr@fh-co.com** **no later than January 30th 2025.**

Before you submit your final application, check the list below to ensure all forms and essays are included. \*All areas must be complete to qualify for the Scholarship.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \*Your completed application forms.

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \*A transcript for the last year of study completed (official or unofficial) that **includes your current GPA** **or a letter indicating why this cannot be supplied***. If you are a recent high school applicant, please include your unofficial high school transcript. Your guidance counselor will be able to help you with this.*

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \*Choose ***ONE*** *of the two topics* listed below. Your short essay (less than 300 words) will be judged on content, quality, and grammar (it may be helpful to have someone proofread for you). **DO NOT INCLUDE FIRST OR LAST NAME IN ESSAY.**

**Essay A:** What’s an important issue you care about? How have you gotten involved?

**Essay B:** **Describe an accomplishment, event, or realization that sparked a period of personal growth and a new understanding of yourself or others.**

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \*A short (less than 200 words) description of the education program and institution you have selected to advance your education and why you selected that school.

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \*A short (less than 200 words) summary of approximate total semester costs of the applicant’s program as well as description of financial need, including a summary of how much both parent and student will be able to contribute. Please include a summary of other scholarships being received.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \*To be considered for the Brian Carter Memorial Scholarship, a $500 grant, please include a short (less than 200 words) summary of how you would use this grant to help pursue your interests in: photography, machine tool technique, conservation/wildlife studies, music or aviation. You may also include two (2) examples of your current work.

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \*If you have previously been awarded a FHC Community Education Foundation grant, please include a brief statement (200 words or less) explaining how the funds were used. *An applicant who received a previous award will not be considered for future awards if this statement is not included.* **If you are a first-time applicant, this document is not required.**

**Spring 2025 FHC Community Education Foundation Application Form** (please print)

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Program of Higher Education (Please circle one):

Undergraduate Graduate Post-Graduate Certificate/Other

Educational Reference

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the FHC Community Education Scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If applicable, please complete the following:

FHC Relationship (Please circle one): Employee/Family FHC Customer/Vendor Community Member No affiliation to FHC

Employee/Customer/Vendor Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

I ­­­­ agree that FHC may use such photographs of me with or without my name and for any lawful purpose, including for example such purpose as publicity, illustration, advertising, and web content. (Please include a photo of yourself.)