



LA CRESCENT
COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION

Strengthening roots in our community

January 2023

Scholarship Announcement and Application Information

The La Crescent Community Foundation will again offer two **different and unique scholarships**. One scholarship will be awarded to a prospective four-year college or university student and another will be awarded to a prospective two-year school student. **The successful applicants may not necessarily have a high GPA nor be involved in extracurricular school activities but will demonstrate a commitment to authentic contributions to one's community. Applicants who have overcome life's challenges are especially encouraged to apply.**

The scholarship for the four-year school is **\$5,000**.

The scholarship for the two-year school is **\$3,500**.

To apply for either of these scholarships you *must indicate which one you are applying for* and submit the following:

1. **A cover letter** that addresses the following:

- Please describe your life experiences including any obstacles that you have overcome to achieve your goals
- How have your experiences influenced your plans for the future?
- Everyone has their own definition of 'success.' Explain what that term means to you.
- Describe any volunteer activities that have been especially meaningful to you. What impact have they had on the community?
- What is one way in which you hope to make a difference in your family, school, and/or community?
- Please describe any special circumstances that we should consider, including employment while going to school and whatever you think is significant.

2. **Two letters of recommendation on your behalf:**

- Letters to be from non-related teachers, employers or other adults that know you from a non-social relationship.
- Letters should give evidence of your character, motivation, attitude and integrity.
- Letters may be included with your application or the writers may send them directly to us.

Applications are to be received by **4:30 PM, Monday, April 3, 2023** at the following address:

**Scholarship Committee
La Crescent Community Foundation Inc.
PO Box 170
La Crescent, MN 55947**

The scholarship will be distributed after the successful completion of one semester of higher education.

Eligibility Requirements:

Spring 2023 or mid-year 2022-2023 graduates of La Crescent/Hokah High School or La Crescent/Hokah District Home Schooled residents or those who attend another High School.