

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## **Applicant Eligibility**

Must be seeking post- secondary education for the first time.

Must have lived, worked, or volunteered within St. Paul's West Side community (zip code 55107) at some point in their lives; or been actively involved with Neighborhood House programs.

Previous recipients are eligible to submit applications with a maximum of three awards per individual.

## **Scholarship Awards**

Scholarship awards range from \$1,000 to \$1,500. The annual number of awards are determined based on available funds. Recipients can use their scholarship for any school-related expense at their discretion.

## **Award Selection Process**

The Constance Currie Scholarship Committee will review and consider only complete applications which include all additional required documents.

All qualified applicants will be notified of the committee's final decisions in early June 2018. All finalists will be interviewed by the committee. Upon receipt of school registration verification, scholarship checks will be mailed to scholarship recipients.

## **Applications are rated on the following criteria:**

Personal statement

Personal, academic and life achievements

Community/Neighborhood House activities

Financial need

Letters of recommendation

**In order to be considered, eligible candidates must submit all required documents by the March 28, 2018 deadline.**

**Application:** Fully completed application. Applications are available both online at [www.neighb.org](http://www.neighb.org) and the Wellstone Center reception desk.

**Personal statement:** Your personal statement of one to three pages is the most important part of the application, as it gives the committee a chance to learn what is special about you. See page 7 for additional personal statement guidelines.

**Transcripts:** Current 2016-2017 school year transcript from high school or college (whichever is applicable). If you are not a current student, please provide your most recent high school or college transcript. If you are a returning adult more than five years since graduation, provide proof of graduation or proof of GED.

**Two letters of recommendation:** One letter from a current school staff member and the second from a non-relative. Returning adults should submit two letters from non-relatives.

**College Access Program:** For additional assistance or questions on college admissions process contact Esteban Rodriguez-Hefty 651.789.2541 [erodriguezhefty@neighb.org](mailto:erodriguezhefty@neighb.org) or Sari Olson, 651.789.2561 [solson@neighb.org](mailto:solson@neighb.org)

## **Application Deadline**

The application deadline is Wednesday, March 28, 2018. In order to be eligible, completed applications (including all additional required documents) must be received via email, fax or postmarked by the deadline date of March 28, 2018.

**Mail to:** Neighborhood House, Constance Currie Scholarship, 179 Robie Street East, St. Paul, MN 55107  
Fax to: 651.789.2555

## **Questions?**

Contact Scholarship Coordinator Tiffany Rivera-Prescott, [trprescott@neighb.org](mailto:trprescott@neighb.org) or by phone at 651.789.2513.