

# Mid-America Transplant Foundation

## Funeral Home Studies Scholarship



The Mid-America Transplant Foundation has established a scholarship fund for students from our designated service area who are pursuing post-secondary education in the funeral home industry at an accredited, degree-granting institution. The funeral home industry plays an important role in the tissue donation process, and we share a mutual purpose: to serve families in the midst of grief. We're enthusiastic to invest in students pursuing a career in funeral home studies.

Scholarships are renewable:

- Students are eligible for up to \$1,000 per semester for 2 semesters

### **APPLICANTS REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Complete application form and essay.
2. Document community activities.
3. Confirm admission to an accredited, degree granting program in funeral home studies that prepares students for the national board exam
4. Furnish documents demonstrating proof of residency for previous 24 months in Mid-America Transplant's Designated Services area
5. Furnish 3 letters of recommendation (ideally one from a school representative; one from a funeral director, and one from the community and/or civic representative).
6. Previous scholarship recipients applying for renewal must provide transcripts for previous semester demonstrating a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher in all required courses.
7. Scholarship recipients must agree to attend one half-day workshop at Mid-America Transplant each year they receive the scholarship. The workshop will be held at Mid-America Transplant's office in St. Louis, Missouri. The purpose of the workshop is to educate future leaders in the funeral home industry on the organ and tissue recovery process and the important role funeral homes play in this life saving work.

### **ALL REQUIREMENTS MUST BE MET, OR APPLICATION WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED**

Preference will be given to applications received by August 1, 2017. Applications are considered on a rolling basis after the deadline until all funds have been committed for the upcoming academic year.

**Please note:** All scholarship awards will be paid directly to the accredited degree granting institution. Scholarship awards will not be released directly to the scholarship recipient.

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## Personal

Name:	
Address:	Cell Phone:
City/State/Zip:	Home Phone:
Email:	
Date of Birth:	Place of Birth (State):
Employer - Position/Hours Per Week:	

## Education

High School:			
Address:			
City/State/Zip:	Graduation Date:		
University/College:			
Address:			
City/State/Zip:			
Overall/Cumulative Grade Point Average (minimum 2.5): (Indicate "Academic" NOT "weighted" GPA)	Based on a GPA system of:		
Degree pursuing:			
Extracurricular Activities (school, clubs, athletics). Indicate position(s), club(s) and/or athletics in which you participated. Be sure to distinguish year (9-12) and approximate hours you participated.			
Activity	Years Participated	Hours/Week	Brief description

## Verification

Signature and Email of Counselor verifying accuracy of above information.	
Signature: _____	
Name (print): _____	Phone: _____
Email address: _____	

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

**Education Plans**

Educational Goals:	
College Major:	
College Minor:	
Career/Profession:	

**Activities/Awards**

Community Services/Volunteer Activities (church, home, etc.). Indicate community organizations you actively participated in during each grade year. Also, indicate hours of volunteer service for each activity. Note that these can be school related, but should not duplicate any responses you made in any previous section of the application.

Organization	Years Participated	Hours/Week	Brief description

Honors and Awards. Tell us about the honors you received. Indicate whether they were on a local (school, county or district), state or national level. These awards may be outside of school activities, but should not be duplicated in any other area of the applications.

**Financial (for tracking purposes)**

Provide Family/Household Income (verification of income may be required):			
Below \$20,000	\$20,000 - \$40,000	\$40,000 - \$60,000	\$60,000 - \$80,000
\$80,000 - \$100,000	\$100,000 - \$120,000	\$120,000 - \$140,000	Over \$140,000

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

**Financial (continued)**

Estimated Cost of completing program: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

How much have you saved for college? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Describe your financial need for a scholarship (important - be very specific):

Other scholarships you have applied for:

Other scholarships/grants you have been awarded (name, amount and period of time covered):

If granted this award, how do you plan to pay for the rest of your educational costs?

**Family Members in Funeral Home Industry**

Name:

Address:

City/State/Zip:

Home Phone:

Email:

Name	Relationship	Place of Employment	Job Title

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

**Essay**

Write a 200-300 word essay on the importance of organ and tissue donation in America today:

**Signature**

Applicant:	Date:

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In addition to a complete application form, the following items must be included before your application can be considered (**check boxes below to indicate items are included**):

- Three (3) Recommendation Letters
- Residency Documents: High School Transcripts and/or federal tax returns for previous two years

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Mail **COMPLETE** package only, **postmarked by January 1, 2018**, to: Mid-America Transplant Foundation  
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