

MAINE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
Annette M. Brown Scholarship

The Annette M. Brown Scholarship Fund provides support to residents of Androscoggin County pursuing a post-secondary degree at a two- or four-year college. Eligible applicants must demonstrate a level of academic achievement suitable for predicting success in college, strong character and family values, and a Federal Expected Family Contribution (EFC) of \$5,000 or less. Preference will be given to applicants who will be in the first generation of their family to attend college in the United States. There is a strong preference for students attending accredited colleges in, first, Androscoggin County and, second, Maine. Students attending schools outside of Maine will be given lowest priority.

Recipients are invited to apply for renewal consideration. Preference will be given to students in their second, third and fourth year of post-secondary school who might not have access to high school scholarship awards available to first year students. The number of awards will be determined by the funds available for distribution each year and the number of qualified applicants.

All applications and required information sent separately must be postmarked by June 1. Incomplete applications or those postmarked after this date will not be processed.

Name: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____

Resident of Androscoggin County since: _____

Mailing address at home:

Street address or P.O. number _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____ E-mail: _____

Are you a first-generation college student? _____ Yes _____ No

Post-secondary school for which aid is requested: _____

Anticipated major: _____ Degree program: _____

Upcoming year in school (circle): Undergraduate 1 2 3 4

Enrolled: Part-time: _____ Full-time: _____

Date of High School Graduation, GED or Adult Diploma: _____

High School: _____ **City:** _____

Please complete the following sections in the spaces provided even if you are including your resume. Please print clearly.

Please tell us why you have decided to attend the college of your choice and how what you hope to accomplish there will affect your future plans (attach an extra sheet if needed).

Highlights of your School & Community Activities in the past three years:

Activity	Your Role	# of Years

Do you work during the academic year?

___ Yes (# of hours/week ___ Employer _____) No ___

Does your employer offer a tuition reimbursement program? ___ Yes ___ No

If so, how much reimbursement are you anticipating? _____

Employment History (full or part-time)

Position	Employer	Period of Employment	Hours/week
_____	_____	_____ to _____	_____
_____	_____	_____ to _____	_____
_____	_____	_____ to _____	_____

Personal Statement: The Annette Brown Scholarship Selection Committee wants to get to know you through this application process. Please write them a letter about yourself, about your goals and how you plan to achieve them, plus anything else you want to share. In your essay, please answer the question: What did you do with your time outside of school? There is no required minimum word count, but your letter must be typed, and should not exceed two pages double-spaced. Explain any special circumstances on a separate sheet.

Letter of Recommendation: Please submit a letter of recommendation from a current guidance counselor (high school student) or faculty member (college student) or employer/friend (entering adult learner). The letter must be current (dated after January 1, 2012), on official letterhead, contain your first and last name, and be signed by the writer, who must identify his/her relationship to you (not a family member). Email letters are not acceptable.

Required Information: (do not staple, please)

Please submit the information requested below printed on one side only (not front and back).

- This completed Application Form
- Personal Statement
- A letter of recommendation as outlined above
- Copy of your most recent high school or college transcript. A printout from the Internet is not acceptable. We prefer that you include your transcript with this application.
- Copy of your complete Federal Student Aid Report (SAR), which must include your expected family contribution (EFC) and your family's adjusted gross income (AGI). Do not send the FAFSA.
- A copy of your college financial aid offer (if it is available).

It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that all of the required items are submitted on or before the application deadline. Incomplete applications or those postmarked after June 1 will not be processed. All information received from applicants will be held in confidence.

I certify that I am a legal resident of Maine and that all information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I give my permission for any person listed on this application to be contacted for more information. I understand that I may be asked to provide proof of information stated on this form, including a copy of my parents' and/or my prior year's U.S. Income Tax return. In addition, I hereby authorize the college I will attend in the 20__ - __ school year to release information on financial aid awarded to me by the college and other sources to the Maine Community Foundation.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent: _____

Family Information

Parent's current marital status: single married separated divorced widowed

Who is responsible for your support? mother father both other _____

Who do you live with? mother father both other _____

Number in household, including parents: _____

Total number of family members who will be attending college during the next academic year: _____

Funds available for your next year of college	
Family Contribution	\$ _____
Personal Savings/Earnings	\$ _____
Scholarships Awarded	\$ _____
Current-year Loans	\$ _____
Other (please explain)	\$ _____
TOTAL	\$ _____
Outstanding student loans to date: No. _____ Total \$ _____	

Please submit a copy of your college financial aid offer with this application.

College Budget (Cost of Attendance)

Please complete the cost of attendance at your first choice college below. This information is available in college publications, on the web or from the financial aid office. Please provide current-year numbers.

College Budget for _____ (first choice college)	
Tuition and Fees	\$ _____
Room and Board	\$ _____
Books and Materials	\$ _____
Transportation	\$ _____
Personal and other Expenses	\$ _____
TOTAL COST OF ATTENDANCE	\$ _____
Unusual Expenses (i.e. childcare/medical)	\$ _____

All applications and required information sent separately must be postmarked by June 1 and sent to:

Annette M. Brown Scholarship Fund
 Maine Community Foundation
 245 Main Street
 Ellsworth, ME 04605
phone: (207) 667-9735 ~ toll free 877-700-6800

FINANCIAL INFORMATION RELEASE FORM

**** PLEASE FILL OUT AND MAIL THIS FORM TO YOUR **
COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY FINANCIAL AID OFFICE,
NOT TO MAINE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**

ATTENTION: Financial Aid Officer

The student named below is applying to the Maine Community Foundation for a scholarship and requires your assistance in providing need-based information. Please keep this signed statement in the student's file for reference if you receive an inquiry from our Scholarship Coordinator regarding the student's financial aid award.

TO THE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT:

I authorize release of financial aid award information to:

**Maine Community Foundation
Scholarship Coordinator
245 Main Street
Ellsworth, ME 04605-1613
Tel: 207-667-9735 or toll free 877-700-6800
Fax: 207-667-0447
E-mail: info@mainecf.org Web: www.mainecf.org**

College/University _____

Name of Student: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Student's Signature: _____

Date: _____

REMINDER: DO NOT MAIL THIS FORM TO MAINE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION.