

## Auxiliary Scholarship Program

OSF HealthCare St. Mary Medical Center Auxiliary is pleased to be able to provide scholarships to mission partners, mission partners' family members, and students who plan to undertake or to continue studies leading to a degree in a health field. Applicants who best fulfill scholarship requirements and employability at OSF HealthCare St. Mary Medical Center will be priority candidates. Other applicants will be considered if funds are available.

### **Guidelines:**

1. Scholarships shall be made for one year. If a student makes satisfactory progress, he or she may apply for a second year, a third and a fourth to the total amount of \$8,000.00.
2. Amounts of yearly scholarships vary according to the needs of the hospital and monies available. Monies are made payable directly to the educational institution which the student will be or is attending.
3. In the event a recipient, for any reason, does not continue his or her course of study in healthcare, the institution attended will be requested to refund the unused portion of the scholarship to the Auxiliary and the recipient will be requested to make arrangements to re-pay amount expended.
4. Scholarship funds apply to tuition only.
5. If a position at OSF HealthCare St. Mary Medical Center is offered, the scholarship recipient is expected to take the position or return the scholarship funds to the Auxiliary.
6. Application deadline is **April 1<sup>st</sup>** of each year with scholarship made for the fall semester. All applicants will be notified by May 31<sup>st</sup> of same year. The scholarships are made to the institution at the fall opening of school. The institution is requested to pay a portion of the scholarship each term.
7. All information about the applicant received by the Auxiliary shall be considered confidential.

### **Requirements For Granting Awards:**

1. Be a resident of the geographic area served by OSF HealthCare St. Mary Medical Center.
2. A transcript of grades from the last school attended.
3. Applicant must submit two letters of recommendation from teachers and/or counselors and/or supervisors. If there has been a lapse of time (3 years or more) from education, information from individuals familiar with applicant's work must be submitted with the application.
4. Signed and witnessed Auxiliary Scholarship Agreement (See application).
5. Essay of 300 words or less explaining your current need for this scholarship.

**NOTE: Applications will be rejected if the above requirements are not met.**

### **CONSIDERATIONS for CHOICE:**

Completed application

Grade point average

Hospital/medical service or experience

Need: applicant and/or hospital

Current letters of recommendation

OSF mission partner or mission partner family member