

The Edna A. Lauterbach Scholarship Fund Application

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This scholarship was established in memory of Edna Lauterbach, RN, former President of Competent Care, Inc. and American Care, Inc. of Newburgh, New York. The fund is sponsored by Community Health Care Services Foundation, Inc. (CHC), an affiliate of the New York State Association of Health Care Providers, Inc. (HCP).

Ms. Lauterbach was involved in home care for over 25 years and was a founding board member of CHC and former Chair of HCP.

A graduate of St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing in Brooklyn, Ms. Lauterbach understood the critical role caregivers play in people's lives. While a young mother, she left her position as a hospital nurse to form her own nursing registry. She expanded her business to include a licensed home care services agency, a certified home health agency, and a long term home health care program. Later, under her leadership as Chair of the Board, HCP established a visible presence in the State capital and became a significant, respected policy-making voice for the industry. Memorable in character and remarkable in integrity, she was mourned after her death in 1998 in a New York State Senate resolution for her "sincere dedication and substantial contribution to health care throughout New York State."

Ms. Lauterbach believed nurses were critical to home care and she encouraged young people to pursue a career in home care through the nursing profession. She also believed her limited formal business education created career challenges for which she was unprepared. She frequently aided other entrepreneurial-minded individuals who faced similar frustrations in pursuing their dreams.

In that spirit, her colleagues created the Edna A. Lauterbach Scholarship Fund, open to all New York nurses seeking to enhance their nursing or business management skills through education.

The Community Foundation

The Community Foundation for the Capital Region is an independent, non-profit, publicly-supported, tax-exempt organization that meets the needs of Capital Region educational, health, cultural, civic, and charitable organizations. The Foundation's purpose is to improve the overall quality of life in the Capital Region.

The Foundation administers several charitable funds. Recognizing the importance of scholarships, especially with decreasing education dollars at the federal level and increasing costs for students, the Foundation is pleased to administer the Edna A. Lauterbach Scholarship Fund.

Candidate Eligibility Requirements (all requirements below must be met for consideration):

1. Applicant must be a NYS Registered Nurse or Licensed Practical Nurse.
2. Applicant must reside in New York State.
3. Applicant must be planning or engaged in an entrepreneurial home care or community based venture that would benefit from advanced nursing training, education or support; or from support for other home care or community based services/products.
4. Applicant must show that proposed class/training will improve candidate's ability to manage their organization or venture.
5. Applicant must demonstrate financial need.
6. Applicant must submit a 200-700 word original essay including educational history, background information and reason why this scholarship would be important to their future success. (Not to exceed one page, typed and double-spaced, if possible.)

Selection Process:

1. Applications must be complete or they will not be reviewed by reviewing committee.
2. The Community Foundation shares applications with an HCP committee, which reviews applications and selects recipients, based on qualification requirements, financial need and a well-written essay of 200 – 700 words.
3. Award winners will be notified in late August in time for the fall semester and publicly announced at HCP's Annual Management Conference & Exhibition Meeting in the fall.

Scholarship Fund Disbursement:

1. Number and size of scholarships vary based on applications submitted.
2. Recipient is required to submit a letter to The Community Foundation for the Capital Region at the end of the funded program describing the effect the class/training had on the recipient's business or career in home care or community-based service.
3. Payments are made directly to the college or university in which recipient is enrolled. If recipient attends another type of institution (i.e., computer training company), recipient will be reimbursed the scholarship amount after submitting a paid receipt.

Application Procedures:

- Scholarship will be publicized through publications, special meetings, Chapters of the New York State Association of Health Care Providers, Community Health Care Services Foundation, Inc. (CHC), and other affiliated organizations.
- Completed applications must be received by June 1.**

Applications should be submitted to: **The Edna A. Lauterbach Scholarship Fund, c/o The Community Foundation for the Capital Region, Six Tower Place, Albany, New York 12203, (518) 446-9638**

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Application

Part I: Biographical Information

Type or print legibly in black ink.

Name _____

Company _____

Address _____

Email _____

Phone _____

License

License	Location	Year

Education

College or University	City, State	Degree Earned	Year

Part II: Scholarship Request

Answer the following questions as completely as possible. Answers must be in the form of essay.

- Describe in 200-700 original words your entrepreneurial or professional dream. In your essay, please address the following questions.
 - What is the goal of your proposed venture or career?
 - How will it benefit the community or your clients?
 - How will this training give you the ability to manage your organization?
 - What steps have you taken to fulfill this dream, so far?
 - Tell of challenges you have faced pursuing your dream.
 - Tell why you are requesting scholarship assistance.
 - Who is providing the class/training?
 - What dollar amount are you requesting?