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Scholarships Available for Fairhaven High School Seniors

The George Earl and Katherine Hartley Church Scholarship Fund provides several scholarships of at least \$1,000 annually for tuition assistance to students pursuing an LPN, RN or BSN Nursing Degree while attending a two- or four-year accredited college or university. Applicants must be **residents of Acushnet, Rochester, Marion and Mattapoissett who are graduating from either Fairhaven, New Bedford, Bishop Stang, Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical or Old Rochester Regional high schools** or a graduating senior from **Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School**. The criterion for selection will be weighted 75% on financial need and 25% on academics. **The application deadline is April 10.**

The Freitas-Rebello Fund awards a minimum of a \$1,000 scholarship for tuition assistance to students of Portuguese descent attending an accredited college. Applicants must be residents of the Greater New Bedford area and enrolled seniors at either **Bishop Stang High School, Dartmouth High School, Fairhaven High School, Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School** or **New Bedford High School**. **The application deadline is April 10.**

The Matthew "Matty" Ryan Oliveira Scholarship Fund was established by Kathleen and Matthew Oliveira to honor the memory of their late son, Matthew "Matty" Ryan Oliveira. Several \$500 scholarships are awarded annually to seniors attending **Fairhaven High School**. Preference will be given to students who demonstrate strong community service, leadership qualities, and athleticism. **The application deadline is April 10.**

The **Fairhaven High School Centurion Scholarship Fund** provides one four-year scholarship of at least \$250 each year to a graduating **Fairhaven High School** senior, beginning in 2006, the school's 100th anniversary. The criterion for selection will be weighted 75% on financial need, 25% on academics. **The application deadline is April 10.**

The Thomas S. Hathaway Scholarship is awarded to students residing in Acushnet, Dartmouth, Fairhaven, New Bedford, Mattapoissett, Marion, Rochester, Wareham, or Westport, who have been accepted or are currently enrolled at **Harvard University**. Scholarships are based on financial need and academic excellence. Awards can range from \$350 to \$4,300. The scholarship is granted for one year only, although recipients in good standing at Harvard University are encouraged to reapply annually. Harvard students should contact the financial aid office or download an application form. **The application deadline is July 3.**

The **Charles J. Lewin Interfaith Scholarship Fund** was established to provide scholarships to returning students and graduating high school seniors of **Barnstable, Bristol, Dukes and Plymouth counties**. The Fund provides several scholarships ranging from \$700 to \$3,800. Scholarships are granted for one year only, although recipients may reapply annually. The criterion for selection will be weighted 50% on **financial need, 30% on academics and 20% on personal circumstances**. **This is an online application process only, due on April 10.**

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