



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION of Southeastern Massachusetts

Matthew "Matty" Ryan Oliveira Scholarship Fund

Kathleen and Matthew Oliveira established the Matthew "Matty" Ryan Oliveira Scholarship Fund at the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts in 2003 in honor of their son Matty. The fund awards several \$500.00 scholarships to Fairhaven High School Students attending a two or four-year college or university. Preference will be given to students who emulate "Matty's" spirit. They must demonstrate strong community service, leadership qualities, and athleticism. For applications, please see your guidance counselor, contact Gabrielle Simmons, Program Officer at the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts or visit our website: www.cfsema.org

Application must be in the Community Foundation's office by April 5, 2010



"Matty" Oliveira, a Fairhaven resident, died four days after falling off a go-cart and sustaining a severe head injury. His fight for life during those four days truly demonstrated the heart and determination of this 13 year-old boy.

He was a happy-go-lucky child from the day he was born. Matty had a very unique personality. He inspired people to strive for more and challenge themselves. Matthew was kind and loyal and when you met him, you became a friend for life. With his contagious spirit, he managed to touch thousands of hearts in his short stay here on earth.

Matty enjoyed all sports, football being his favorite. His strong physique and desire to compete allowed him many accomplishments. School was very important to Matty. His photographic memory and high intellect was challenged only by his sense of humor.

Students who most demonstrate their love for life and the people in it, along with their willingness to challenge themselves to go beyond their capabilities in both athletics and academics are encouraged to apply for this scholarship." (Written by his parents)

**MATTHEW "MATTY" RYAN OLIVEIRA SCHOLARSHIP FUND
2010 APPLICATION**

1. Name _____ Tel # _____
2. Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
3. Parent's/Guardian's Name _____
4. Parent's/Guardian's Name _____
5. Number of dependents your parents/guardians support (include yourself) _____ List age(s) _____
7. To which college(s) have you been accepted? _____
8. Which college do you expect to attend this coming year? _____
Major (Engineering, Mathematics, English, etc.): _____
9. What are your short-term goals while attending college? _____

10. What are your long-term goals upon graduating from college? _____

11. What sports did you play while attending Fairhaven High School? _____

12. What sports and/or activities do you expect to participate in while attending college? _____

12. What hobbies are you interested in, excluding school or sport activities? _____

IMPORTANT – THIS FORM MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY:

- 1) A personal letter stating how you exemplify the criteria
- 2) A list of extracurricular activities in which you have participated and any honors you have received that are school related (please include the name of your guidance counselor)
- 3) A list of activities and/or volunteer work you have participated in outside of school along with contact names and telephone numbers (examples: Walk for Life, Legion Ball, Recreation volunteer etc.)
- 4) An OFFICIAL copy of your transcript of grades from the past year

SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION WITH ATTACHMENTS TO:

Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts; Attn.: Oliveira Scholarship
63 Union Street, New Bedford, MA 02740

**Application must in the Community Foundation's office before 5:00 p.m., April 5, 2010
Late applications will not be considered.**

I agree that my child's name can be used in announcements made by the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts regarding the particular scholarship for which s/he has been awarded. YES _____ NO _____
I certify that all information submitted on this form is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and agree to provide proof of information upon request.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ **Date:** _____

Signature of Applicant: _____ **Date:** _____