First Congregational Church, Sheboygan

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Statement of Operating Policy

1. PURPOSE: The primary purpose of the Scholarship Committee is to administer the Scholarship Fund established to extend financial aid to members of this church and their families who wish to pursue their education. The Scholarship Committee also administers any additional scholarship funds established from gifts or bequests intended to be used for scholarship grants for members of our church. Gifts or bequests (designated for scholarship use) if not otherwise specified, would be placed in the Scholarship Fund.
2. AWARDS:
	1. Each year the Scholarship Committee, using available scholarship funds, shall award grants to applicants based on the following criteria:

Financial resources Christian character

Academic achievement Educational aims

Service to church and community Tuition and costs

* 1. Awards will be made twice a year.
	2. Names of the recipients and amounts of the awards to each applicant will not be announced publicly, but records of the numbers of awards and amounts shall be printed in FCC’s Annual Report.
1. THE FUND:

The Scholarship awards will be granted from the Scholarship Fund. All of the funds received (from memorials and contributions) will be put into the Scholarship Fund unless a named scholarship fund is established. The Investment Committee will designate a percentage of the total amount in the Scholarship Fund to be disbursed annually. The Scholarship Committee will grant awards semi-annually based on the amount of money available and the number of applications.

1. APPLICANTS:
	1. Applicants must be an active member or be a child (age 22 or younger) of an active member of First Congregational Church, Sheboygan.
	2. Applicants may request aid toward their education beyond the high school or undergraduate level. There shall be no restriction as to age, gender, or ethnic origin.
	3. Applicants may apply for Scholarship Funds semi-annually for up to and including ten scholarship awards.

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Annual Schedule for Disbursement of Scholarship Funds

Application Deadline: Fall Semester: July 31st Spring Semester: Dec. 31st

Committee Reviews Applications: First week of Aug. First week of Jan.

Grants Given: By August 15th By January 15th

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