

SCHOLARSHIPS

Available Scholarships

Charles Perkins Scholarships

The scholarships are named in honor of Charles Perkins who served as General Manager and President of Freedom First Credit Union.

Three \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded each year in his name. **One of the scholarships will be awarded to a high school senior that resides in Big Creek School District, McDowell County, West Virginia, Mr. Perkins' home town district.**

Fritz Kehn Scholarship

The \$1,000 Fritz Kehn scholarship is dedicated to the memory of Fritz D. Kehn. Fritz, as he was affectionately called, was one of the original charter members of the Credit Union. A former General Electric sheet metal foreman in Salem, he served as the first Credit Union President in 1956. His dedication continued as a member of the Board of Directors.

City of Salem/Frank Turk Scholarship

A \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded each year in recognition of the City of Salem Employees Credit Union. Frank Turk served as their President from 1978 to 2004 and was elected to the Freedom First Board of Directors in 2004.

Deadline for this application has been extended to 3:00 p.m. on May 24, 2012

Application

Please fill out the application portion of this document and fax it to (540) 378-8952 or mail it to our Operations Center at:

Freedom First Credit Union
Attn: Rod Nuñez
P. O. Box 1999
Salem, VA 24153

Qualifications

- High school senior or college student with a minimum of a full semester remaining until degree
- Applicant (or applicant's parents) must be a member of Freedom First Credit Union
- City of Salem/Frank Turk Scholarship applicant must have an employment relationship with the City of Salem, City of Salem School Division, or Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare.

Required Information

- A completed application form and attachments returned no later than **3:00 p.m. on April 12, 2012**
- An official transcript of high school records if you are a high school senior, or a college transcript if you are a college student
- Two (2) letters of recommendation, one of which must be from a teacher, counselor, or other administrative authority, illustrating why the candidate qualifies for this award

Judging

Applicants will be judged on academic achievement, work ethic, civic involvement, and an essay. An independent committee will review the applications. Winners will be notified by letter.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please type or print all information. Scholarship applications are accepted *only* for the academic year submitted.

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Name _____ Social Security Number _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Credit Union Account # _____ Date of Birth _____

Telephone # _____ Email Address _____

High School or College You Now Attend _____

Expected Family Contribution (EFC) from your FASFA Student Aid Report \$ _____

Schools/Colleges you have applied or been accepted to _____

School/College you expect to attend _____

Expected Tuition & Fee's \$ _____

Please include the following information on a separate piece of paper:

1. Include an official transcript of your high school records if you are a high school senior. If you are a college student, include your college transcript.
2. Include two letters of recommendation, at least one of which must be from a teacher, counselor or other school administrator.
3. What is your career goal?
4. List your participation in school activities (i.e., athletics/clubs) from 9th grade to present.
5. List any awards, honors, etc. you have received while in high school or college.
6. Attach a statement of not more than one typewritten, single-spaced page, to describe:
 - o "How Freedom First Credit Union Has Helped Me or My Family"
 - or
 - o "Why Freedom First Credit Union is Important to My Community"
 - or
 - o "Why a College Degree is Important to Me"
7. List any additional considerations you would like the Scholarship Committee to deliberate on.
8. If you are applying for the Frank Turk Scholarship, please list parent/guardian's place of employment.

Submit this application and other required information, by mail, e-mail or facsimile, before 3:00 p.m. on April 12, 2012.

- U. S. Mail: Freedom First Credit Union, Attn: Rod Nuñez, P. O. Box 1999, Salem, VA 24153
- Email: rnunez@freedomfirst.com
- Facsimile: (540) 378-8952

Signature

Date