

On February 26, 1968, the Sussex County 4-H Foundation Fund, Inc., a non-profit organization incorporated under the laws of the state, was formed for the purpose of furthering the entire county 4-H movement.

The creation of a scholarship fund was one of the major goals of the Foundation. This goal has been realized and now has become a source for youth involved in 4-H to seek financial assistance to pursue the process of learning beyond the secondary level of education.

Funding for the grants given are made possible by contributions from a number of continuing donors.

These include:

- ✿ Sussex County 4-H Teen Council;
- ✿ NJ State Fair/Sussex County Farm & Horse Show;
- ✿ 4-H clubs county-wide through an annual fund-raising project; and,
- ✿ Many individuals throughout Sussex County.

Sussex County **4-H** *Foundation*



Administered by:
The
Sussex County
4-H Foundation
Fund, Inc.

SCHOLARSHIP
PROGRAM

Purpose

To assist youth involved in 4-H, who are qualified high school graduates, to pursue a level of higher education of their choice.

Eligible Applicants

Must be a former or present Sussex County 4-H club member who has graduated or is graduating from a high school and is an active Sussex County 4-H club member for at least five (5) years, three (3) of which must be while attending high school, and a minimum of three (3) years club work.

Application Forms

Forms may be obtained from high school guidance counselors or from the Sussex County 4-H Office, 129 Morris Turnpike, Newton, NJ, 07860. The telephone number is (973) 948-3040.

Time for Application

Applications are distributed to schools mid-winter. The completed application forms **must be post-marked no later than May 1** of the current year. Announcements of recipients will be made in the spring and checks will be forwarded in mid-August.

Application Requirements

Grants will be awarded on the basis of 4-H achievement, 4-H leadership, and scholastic standing in relation to the following requirements. In order to be eligible for a scholarship, the following criteria needs to be met:

1. Must be an active 4-Her for at least five (5) years, three (3) of which must be while in high school, and a minimum of three (3) years club work.
2. Completed application forms must be submitted to the 4-H office no later than May 1. An application form is **not** considered complete unless a written recommendation from a teacher, academic counselor, or administrator is included in the packet. You must also include a copy of your transcript.
3. A current head and shoulder picture would be welcome. It will be used for newspaper purposes and will be returned upon request.

If necessary, applicants may be asked to be interviewed.



Students who have completed previous application form(s) may reapply by updating the application form(s) and by rewriting your essay to reflect the continued involvement in 4-H such as, but not limited to, an advisor capacity, leadership role, or collegiate involvement. In addition, you must add a current transcript, as well as a new letter of recommendation from an academic counselor, a professor, or an administrator from the institution you are now attending.

Scholarships will only be given to students who are involved in undergraduate studies. A student can only be a recipient of a scholarship twice.

Final Selection

The selection of scholarship recipients will be made by the Scholarship Committee of Sussex County 4-H Foundation, Inc. All incomplete applications with reference to the above requirements will be disqualified.

For more information about the 4-H Foundation Scholarship program, contact the 4-H office of Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Sussex County. Again, the telephone number is (973) 948-3040.