

Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Program Guidelines for Hendricks County Community Foundation in Hendricks County

The Hendricks County Community Foundation is proud to partner with Lilly Endowment, Inc. to select **two** Hendricks County high school seniors as nominees for the 2008 Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Program. Independent Colleges of Indiana on behalf of Lilly Endowment, Inc. will make final scholarship selections and notify the Hendricks County Community Foundation of their decision by **March 31, 2008**. The Community Foundation will announce the recipients of the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship at the Annual Dinner held on **Thursday, April 24, 2008**. The Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Program is designed to raise the level of educational attainment in Indiana and leverage further the ability of Indiana's community foundations to improve the quality of life of the state's residents.

Funding: The scholarship provides **FULL TUITION, required fees, and an \$800** stipend per year for required books and equipment for four years of undergraduate study on a full-time basis leading to a baccalaureate degree at any **Indiana public or private college or university** accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

Criteria: To be eligible, student *must*:

- Be a **Hendricks County resident**
- Be **ranked in the top 15% (GPA)** of his/her class
- Be involved in **significant community service activities** throughout his/her high school career
- **Be involved in extracurricular activities.**
- Graduate by the end of June 2008 from an accredited Indiana high school
- Be accepted to pursue a full-time baccalaureate course of study beginning in the fall of 2008 at an accredited public or private college or university in Indiana.

Priority will be given to community service, leadership and academics. Community service activities may be done as an individual or in a group. The activities may benefit an individual, community organization, school, church, etc.

Disqualified Persons: Family members (including spouse, brothers and sisters by whole or half blood, ancestors, children, step-children, grandchildren, great grandchildren) of a person who is currently serving as a member of the Hendricks County Community Foundation Scholarship Committee, Board of Directors, or Staff are **NOT eligible** for the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship.

Interviews: The Community Foundation's Scholarship Committee will hold interviews on **Saturday, February 23, 2008**. If you are selected for an interview, you will be notified by **February 11, 2008**. **The interview date is firm and very important. Please mark your calendar now!**

Application: Applications will be available from the guidance director at each Hendricks County high school, the Community Foundation office or downloaded online from www.hendrickscountycf.org. Completed applications must be sent to:

**Hendricks County Community Foundation
5055 E. Main Street - Suite A
Avon, IN 46123
Phone: 718-1200
E-Mail: susan@hendrickscountycf.org**

Applications must be postmarked by **January 4, 2008**. Each scholarship recipient must decide where he/she will attend college and notify the Community Foundation of the decision by **May 2, 2008**.

Commitment: Each scholarship recipient *must commit to*:

- Pursue four years of undergraduate study on a full-time basis leading to a baccalaureate degree at an Indiana college or university.
- Understand that the total amount of the scholarship is calculated on the basis of the chosen college's tuition and required fees beginning with the 2008-2009 school year.
- Assist with the processing of my scholarship payments each semester or quarter, by forwarding immediately to the Hendricks County Community Foundation all invoices received for tuition and any eligible fees that may be covered by the scholarship.
- Account for and return to Independent Colleges of Indiana any amount of the special allocation for required books and required equipment remaining at the end of each school year.
- Agree to notify Independent Colleges of Indiana of any scholarship awards you may receive for tuition or required fees from a source other than the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship.
- Keep the Hendricks County Community Foundation apprised annually by June 1st of your enrollment and academic status during college, by completing and returning any surveys or forms as may be provided by the Community Foundation.
- Upon graduation, keep the Hendricks County Community Foundation apprised annually by June 1st of your education and/or employment status for at least ten years after graduation, by completing and returning an alumni survey or other forms as may be provided by the Community Foundation.