

## Scholarship Description

A \$1,000 scholarship is available to a Howard County High School senior that has participated in the Howard County Youth Program.

## About Karen R. and Howard T. Carolan, Jr.

This scholarship is offered in loving memory of Howard T. Carolan Jr. and Karen R. Carolan, longtime residents of Howard County. Mr. and Mrs. Carolan are survived by their children Howard T. Carolan III, and Chelsea Carolan, both graduates of Centennial High School. Mr. Carolan worked for 24 years as Senior Counsel for the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and Mrs. Carolan served the community as an attorney through her own private practice.

For nearly 15 years, Mr. Carolan worked tirelessly in the Howard County Youth Program (HCYP). He served as baseball and basketball coach, baseball league commissioner, and president of HCYP, INC. Through his many HCYP activities, he was able to combine his commitment to children with his love for sports. He was dedicated to teaching good sportsmanship and team play to the youth of Howard County. Many children have benefited from his dedication to youth sports and his contributions and volunteer efforts to HCYP. Mrs. Carolan extolled the principles of friendship, kindness, fairness, and democracy throughout her personal and professional life. She was an integral part of her tennis team, her community, and her family.

Both Howard and Karen believed education was an essential virtue for an individual and a society, and it is in that spirit that this scholarship is offered.

## Eligibility Criteria

Candidates for the ***Karen and Howard Carolan Scholarship*** must:

1. Attend High School in Howard County, Maryland;
2. Have participated in the Howard County Youth Program; and,
3. Plan to attend a two- or four-year college/university or trade school.

## Application Criteria

Applications for the ***Karen and Howard Carolan Scholarship*** must include:

1. A complete and signed application form;
2. A response to the following statements/questions:
  - a. Describe your participation in the HCYP, including what sport(s) you played and your coach(es) names.
  - b. Describe your educational plans.
  - c. Describe your career goals.
  - d. Describe a person who has influenced your life.

- e. Describe how you reflect the goals and values this scholarship is seeking to recognize?
3. One confidential Letter of Recommendation from an HCYP Coach;
4. One confidential Letter of Recommendation from an academic teacher; and,
5. An unofficial high school transcript through Grade 11; and,
6. An unofficial copy of the first semester Grade 12 report card.

Students are responsible for ensuring that all components of the application are submitted by the due date.

## Evaluation Criteria

The Community Foundation of Howard County will evaluate all applications based on the following criteria:

1. Compliance with the eligibility criteria
2. Student Essay
3. Confidential letter of recommendation from an academic teacher
4. Confidential HCYP Coach letter of recommendation
5. Strength of student's transcript

## Award Notification and Acceptance

The Foundation will provide applicants with updates and award decisions via the online application system.

The selected applicant will receive a certificate at the schools Senior Awards Ceremony and, upon receipt by the Foundation of the required materials, the scholarship will be sent to the accredited institution.

If the selected applicant receives a full scholarship subsequent to this Award, this scholarship will be re-awarded to the runner-up.

## Questions

The Community Foundation of Howard County can address questions on this scholarship program.

### About the Community Foundation of Howard County

Founded in 1969 as The Columbia Foundation, the Community Foundation of Howard County has awarded more than \$17 million in grants to Howard County nonprofit organizations delivering human service, arts and cultural, educational and civic programs. Money for the grant programs comes primarily from income generated by the Foundation's endowment supported by more than 300 funds established by Howard County businesses, families and individuals.