

Scholarship Description

There is up to \$1,000 available for a scholarship(s) to a Howard County High School student currently in their senior year, which has shown potential in or is accomplished in engineering and the applied sciences.

About Bob Kittleman



The son of a self-taught lawyer and judge, Bob Kittleman was instilled with the American values of self-sufficiency, hard work and fairness. Bob volunteered to serve in the Navy in World War II, where, at the age of 17, he developed a passion for submarine engineering. Thanks to the G.I. Bill and hard work, he earned a degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Oklahoma. After the war, he began working for Westinghouse Corporation. During his 35 year tenure at Westinghouse, he was awarded multiple patents and headed a team that developed the most advanced torpedo systems ever deployed. Some of his designs are still in use today.

While still at Westinghouse, Bob became a leader in the battle to integrate the Howard County school system. He was the first white member of the Howard County Chapter of the NAACP, and eventually became that chapter's president. It was during this time that his love of politics took hold. In 1982, he became the first Republican elected to the Maryland House of Delegates from Howard County in over 60 years. He served in the House of Delegates for 19 years, 8 of those as Minority Leader, followed by 3 years in the Maryland State Senate.

Bob Kittleman had a lifetime love of learning. He was truly a modern day renaissance man. He frequently shared his knowledge on just about every subject, from trees and flowers to constellations, politics and the free market system. He loved to talk about subjects ranging from philosophy and morality to the logic behind competition, supply and demand. The discipline and application of science, and the unfaltering logic of the scientific method, were always at the core of his personality.

Eligibility Criteria

Candidates for the **Bob Kittleman Scholarship** must:

1. Attend High School in Howard County, Maryland;
2. Show potential in or be accomplished in engineering and the applied sciences;
3. Plan to attend a two- or four-year college/university or trade school; and,
4. Have an unweighted 3.4 cumulative average through Grade 11. In addition, an unweighted grade point average of 3.4 must be maintained through the first semester of Grade 12.

Application Materials

Applications for the **Bob Kittleman Scholarship** must include:

1. A complete and signed application form;
2. A response to the following questions/Comments:
 - a. Describe your educational plans,
 - b. Describe your career goals,
 - c. Describe why you want to be an engineer or scientist,
 - d. Describe how you see the United States and its role in the global economy being affected by our continued excellence in the sciences, and
 - e. Provide a statement of financial need;
3. A resume that outlines the candidates job history from Grade 9 through 12, academic achievements, special honors/award, and community service;
4. One confidential personal letter of recommendation from an academic teacher or employment supervisor; 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 eligibility criteria
2. Student essay
3. Student resume
4. Confidential letter of recommendation
5. Strength of student's transcript
6. Financial need will be considered in the case of a tie

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 about 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.