

## **MONSIGNOR MILANO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND GUIDELINES**

**Purpose:** To provide financial assistance to members of St. Vincent de Paul Parish, who wish to pursue their post-secondary education at Western New Mexico University.

**Qualifications:** Any currently registered member of St. Vincent de Paul parish is eligible. Applicants are expected to be active participants of the parish and involved in community/civic activities. A high school or college level GPA of 3.0 or better is required. To be eligible for this scholarship, applicants must be enrolling at Western New Mexico University no later than the Fall Semester 2017.

. To be eligible for this scholarship you must hold a high school diploma or a GED certificate prior to the start of the fall school term or be currently working towards a post-secondary degree. Applicants must show proof of enrollment at Western New Mexico University before funds will be disbursed.

### **Requirements:**

- Submit a word-processed or typed scholarship application (available at St. Vincent Church Office)
- Must be active or make arrangements to become active in one of St. Vincent's ministries
- Have **three** letters of reference sent directly to:  
**St. Vincent de Paul Church**  
**Scholarship Committee**  
**P.O. Box 1189**  
**Silver City, New Mexico 88062**  
One of the letters must be from a parishioner who is head of a ministry. The list of ministries is on the front of Sunday's bulletin.
- Send to same address a current official transcript of high school work (for those who graduated this May), a GED certificate, or an official transcript of the applicant's college-level.
- Church office will sign the application to verify the applicant's current membership in the parish.
- Submit all scholarship materials to the above address or drop by the St. Vincent de Paul parish office not later than September 5.
- Scholarship recipients must show proof of enrollment at Western New Mexico University and maintain a 3.0 GPA in the current fall semester to receive the scholarship the following

spring semester. Verification of grades will be required prior to disbursement of any funds.

**Determination:**

The Parish Scholarship Committee will determine the recipient and notify the student. Incomplete application, i.e., those without completed letters of references, transcripts, or word-processing of the application **will not be considered.**

Review of application will be completed September 7 and all applicants will be notified as soon as possible following the selection. Alternates will be designated whenever appropriate.

**Number of Scholarships:**

A scholarship or scholarships totaling \$1000.00 per year will be disbursed to a full time student or students (12 credit hours or more). Disbursements will consist of \$500.00 per semester based upon the qualifications listed above. Part-time students (less than 12 credit hours) distribution will be based on the number of credit hours student has enrolled for and the amount of distribution will be at the committee's discretion. The money may be utilized for expenses associated with direct or indirect cost of the recipient's education. Students who leave college or who fall below a 3.0 GPA will be responsible for scholarship reimbursement.

**Confidentiality:**

All information provided by candidates will be held in strict confidence by members of the Scholarship Committee.