



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

of the

TEXAS HILL COUNTRY

Nonprofit Scholarship Guidelines

Nonprofit Scholarships are underwritten by the Community Foundation to promote the professional development of nonprofit staff and board members. By investing in the skills and competencies of staff members and volunteer leadership, these scholarships develop skills, offer opportunity, and/or advance careers for individuals, as well as build organizational capacity.

This initiative supports professional seminars and training opportunities not covered by operating budgets. In order to provide equitable opportunity to all qualified organizations, the Community Foundation awards no more than two scholarships (one grant per individual) within a 12-month period to a single 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization in the Foundation's 10-county service area. If an application is declined, an applicant may reapply for another professional development opportunity.

Trainings can vary from one-day, skill-building courses to multi-day, career-enhancing seminars. Associated costs, such as travel, lodging, fuel, meals, and childcare, are allowable expenditures. Please be aware that tuition for college degrees will not be supported through *Nonprofit Scholarships*.

This program is limited to supporting the individual development of a staff member or board member. In-house group training sessions, webinars, and training opportunities that focus on administrative functions cannot be considered under this program. In addition, this program does not fund board trainings or strategic planning sessions.

- The maximum funding request per scholarship is \$1,000.
- Applications are accepted on a rolling basis; submitting an application by the first of the month is encouraged.
- Funding decisions are made within one month of submission.
- Reimbursement requests for prior professional development opportunities or requests for learning opportunities occurring within four weeks of submission will be declined.

Awarding of a *Nonprofit Scholarship* in no way affects an organization's application or consideration for any other grant or program of the Foundation. Applications must be submitted as email attachments to ingrid@communityfoundation.net.