

**Kurt and Rebecca Boggan
Highland Valley UMC Academic Scholarship**

To honor the longstanding services of the Reverends Kurt and Rebecca Boggan, members of the chancel choir and others proposed the establishment of an academic scholarship fund for qualified and selected first-year college students.

Applications are available January 15 of the award year with recipients announced on Youth Sunday.

- I. Purpose
 - To recognize a graduating high school senior for their leadership and commitment to Highland Valley United Methodist Church and support and encourage such recipient in their first year of college.

- II. Eligibility Criteria
 - Member of Highland Valley UMC
 - Active participant in overall Youth Ministry program, exhibiting leadership with other youth
 - Graduating High School senior
 - 2.75 GPA or higher
 - Enrolling in a 4-year university program

- III. Selection Criteria
 - Grade Point Average
 - Church Activity
 - Leadership in Youth Ministry programs

- IV. Award Amount
 - \$500 for books and supplies during the freshman year of college

- V. Duration of Award
 - The scholarship is a one-time award.

- VI. Administration
 - The Youth Director and Senior Pastor will provide assistance to the Scholarship Selection Committee during the selection process, including administrative assistance, meeting space, and applicant information.
 - The Youth Director will distribute applications as requested by prospective students.
 - The Youth Director and/or Senior Pastor will coordinate with the Business Administrator and/or Bookkeeper regarding notification and distribution of funds each year.

VII. Application Procedure

- Applications will be available from January 15 – March 31 of each year.
- Applications should be sent to the Youth Director, along with an academic transcript and 200 word essay. The essay should include:
 - i. Why they feel they are deserving of this award,
 - ii. What factors they have considered when selecting their college or university, and
 - iii. A description of their personal ministry experiences and how God is speaking to them presently (in life, friendships, and/or field of study).

VIII. Selection Procedure

- No member of the selection committee may be a relative of any current applicant. A selection committee will be utilized, comprised of the following:
 - i. Youth Director
 - ii. Senior Pastor
 - iii. A Youth Counselor
 - iv. An Active Youth
 - v. One member at large

IX. Award Procedure

- The recipient will be announced during Senior Recognition on Youth Sunday each year and receive the cash award on or before August 1 of that year.

X. Publicity

- The Youth Director will ensure publicity of application, including the usage of the newsletter, website, and other tools.

XI. Scholarship Program Timeline

- A summary of the award cycle is as follows:
 - i. Publicity and notice of application will begin by January 15 of each year.
 - ii. Applications will be available by January 15 of each year.
 - iii. Applications must be received by the Youth Director by March 31 of each year.
 - iv. The scholarship recipient will be announced on Youth Sunday.
 - v. The award check will be issued on or before August 1 of each year.

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Name: _____ DOB: _____ GPA _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Parent(s) Names: _____ Member of HVUMC? _____

High School _____

College you plan to attend _____

Please attach a copy of your High School transcript.

Activities

Briefly describe the activities you have been involved in at Highland Valley.

Leadership

How have you shown leadership at Highland Valley? Describe specific responsibilities.

Essay (200 words or less)

Why do you feel you are deserving of this award? What factors have you considered in selecting your college or university? Describe your personal ministry experiences as a youth and how God is speaking to you at this time in your life.