



## **KEVIN M. EIDT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND 2024 NORWALK COMMUNITY SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INFORMATION**

### **SCHOLARSHIP FUND BACKGROUND**

The Kevin M. Eidt Memorial Scholarship Fund, a 501(c)(3) public charity, was established to honor the life and legacy of Kevin Eidt. Kevin passed away from cardiac arrest while playing intramural basketball at Boston College in January 1997. At Norwalk High School Kevin was co-valedictorian of the class of 1996, co-captain of the boy's tennis team, a member of the marching and jazz bands, and a volunteer for the American Heart Association, Norwalk Soup Kitchen, and Save the Children Foundation, and member of the St. Jerome Youth Group. The mission of Kevin's Fund is to recognize, through the gift of education, outstanding achievements across the spectrum of academics, athletics, arts, and community and religious service.

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP CREATION**

Thanks to support from the City of Norwalk and the Norwalk Public Schools, Kevin's Fund is awarding a Norwalk Community Service Scholarship. The scholarship was created to recognize outstanding commitment to community service, an integral pillar in Kevin's short but impactful life. The scholarship is open to seniors from all four of the city's high schools.

### **SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**

Through a process established by each city high school, one senior from each school has been selected to submit an application for demonstrating a breadth and depth of outstanding service within the Norwalk community. The application will require attestation to having a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 and that you have been and remain in good standing in your school and your community. The financial award associated with this scholarship is \$5,000. To receive the financial award the recipient must enroll in a four year, not for profit US college or university in the fall of 2024. The scholarship is payable directly to the college or university you attend. Specific information regarding the payment of the scholarship will be provided to the recipient.

### **DEADLINES AND NOTIFICATION DATES**

The application must be electronically sent to [KevinsFund@aol.com](mailto:KevinsFund@aol.com) and received no later than Wednesday, May 1, 2024. Applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Selection Committee consisting of a representative from each of the city's four high schools and a

member of the Eidt family. The recipient, selected by a simple majority of the Committee, will be announced late in May at an time and place to be determined. Those not selected as recipient will be notified by email.

## **APPLICATION PROCEDURES**

1. The Fund's website, <http://www.kevinsfund.org/applications.htm>, contains all application information and forms. The application documents will be available on the website through Friday, April 12, 2024.
2. Obtain an official copy of your transcript through the end of junior year and an official copy senior year grades for all available marking periods.
3. Complete the application and community service history form on the formatted word documents from our website and electronically submit with your transcript and senior grades by May 1, 2024.

## **JUDGING**

1. An incomplete application or an application received after the deadline will not be evaluated.
2. Any modification made to the format of either the application or the community service history word document may result in disqualification.
3. In evaluating your Community Service History we value in order of importance:
  1. Service for Norwalk based organizations which directly benefit the city of Norwalk.
  2. Service for non-Norwalk based organization directly or indirectly benefitting the city of Norwalk. The direct or indirect benefit must be fully explained.
  3. Service with no direct or indirect benefit to the city of Norwalk.
4. In reviewing your community service history, we evaluate your intuitive ability to categorize and describe the breadth and depth of your activities and accomplishments.
  - Define all acronyms used.
  - Provide complete information about all organizations presented including their mission and the nature of the support you provide for them.
  - Include the mailing address for all Organizations listed which are not Norwalk based.
  - For multiple year activities, commitment in weeks should be the average per year.
  - For hours per week which vary use the average hours over the course of time indicated.
  - Community Service for which you receive any form of compensation or service related to for-profit organizations should not be included.
  - Activities which have no community service content should not be included.
5. An application not manually signed and dated will not be evaluated.

6. Decisions of the Scholarship Selection Committee are final. We are unable to provide feedback regarding the selection process to any applicant during any phase of our evaluation process.

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

In the event you have questions please contact Kevin's Fund as noted below.

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