



Portage County Hunger & Poverty Prevention Partnership

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Projects funded by

The Hunger & Poverty Prevention Partnership:

- Mobile Pantry
- Patrick J. Cassidy Memorial Scholarship
- Community Grants
- Annual Hunger Profile
- Plant-a-Row
- Giving Gardens
- Farmer's Market Gleaning Project
- Community Education
- Empty Bowls
- Legislative Advocacy

The Portage County Hunger & Poverty Prevention Partnership (PCHPPP) is pleased to announce the availability of 2 - \$500 scholarships.

The Hunger Prevention Partnership was formed in October 2000. Over the years, the Partnership has grown and in April 2006 the Partnership expanded to include poverty issues and is now known as the Portage County Hunger & Poverty Prevention Partnership. Partnership teams were developed to help address and solve hunger and poverty issues that face Portage County.

Our mission: To proactively identify issues of hunger and poverty and to address them with short and long term solutions.

Our values:

- We believe that every individual should be treated with dignity and respect.
- No one should go hungry.
- Everyone should be able to support themselves and their families.
- Everyone should be provided the opportunity to reach their potential.
- Collaboration is the most effective process for achieving lasting change.
- The partnership should advocate on behalf of the hungry and poor.
- Significant progress will be possible only with broad based community involvement.

Patrick J. Cassidy Memorial Scholarship

Patrick J. Cassidy was a realtor in Portage County who also volunteered for many organizations. He was part of the original Hunger Prevention Partnership and Empty Bowls committees. He was a "doer"; just give him a task and he always followed through. He headed corporate sponsorship recruitment for Empty Bowls for many years and also worked behind the scenes for the Empty Bowls event.

He approached Trigs County Market for fresh produce for the Mobile Pantry, (a HPPP project which provides food to people living in rural areas of Portage County) which he picked up each week and then helped deliver. Patrick embodied a community volunteer who wasn't interested in recognition, just helping those in need.

When Patrick passed away unexpectedly, he left instructions for donations to go to the Hunger & Poverty Prevention Partnership. The Partnership used those donations to begin this scholarship. The members of the Partnership wanted the scholarship to be given to a student who exemplified community service in honor of Pat's example.

Selection of winners is based on applicant's community and school service, volunteer activities, personal essay, references, and financial need of the applicant.

Scholarship Application and Requirements begin on the next page.

Scholarship materials due by March 1, 2018

Scholarship Application Form *Scholarship materials due by March 1, 2018

Student Information: (Please print legibly and use black ink)

First Name: _____ M.I.: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____

School Information:

Name of Current high school you attend: _____

I am a graduating senior and a resident of Portage County who has been accepted to a university, college or technical school. Current G.P.A.: _____

School which you plan to attend: _____

Major/Field of Study: _____

Have you been accepted: Yes No If yes, please provide Student ID, if known _____

You must indicate your EFC code from your FAFSA here to be considered: _____

If you do not have EFC code you will need to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to receive the EFC code. Visit www.fafsa.gov for more information.

NOTE: If you have extenuating circumstances that would prevent you from completing the FAFSA, please describe those circumstances. _____

Are you the first member of your immediate family to attend a post high school institution? ___Yes ___No

Parent graduated Both parents graduated Siblings graduated Siblings attending

Assemble:

Submit 1 original and 5 copies of the information requested.

Submit a completed Scholarship Application Form (signed and dated).

Submit a transcript (unofficial accepted) of your academic record.

Submit your ACT/SAT scores.

Submit a one-page, typewritten Student Resume for grades 9-12 and include:

1. Academic honors you have received
2. Co-Curricular activities and positions of leadership you have held
3. Community and school service/volunteer activities
4. Work experiences

Submit an essay answering the following questions:

1. What specific volunteer activities have you participated in that address poverty and/or hunger issues?
2. Explain your role in these activities.
3. How did your involvement benefit those experiencing hunger and/or poverty?
4. How did this change your awareness of the issue of hunger & poverty in Portage County?
5. Based on the story on the front page, how will your future reflect the ideals put forth by Patrick J. Cassidy?

Submit (2) letters of reference emphasizing leadership qualities. Letters from teachers, principals, counselors, coaches, church leaders, community leaders, and/or employers will be considered.

Attention: Incomplete, illegible or late scholarship applications will not be considered.

I hereby agree to all the above criteria and I certify that all the information I have given is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that all decisions are final and not subject to review or appeal. I understand that any information provided in this scholarship application may be shared with Portage County Hunger & Poverty Prevention Partnership and excerpts used in publicity for the scholarship. I understand that all scholarship money is sent directly to my school. If selected, I agree to provide school information.

If I am awarded a scholarship I agree to appear in person at a PCHPPP meeting to receive the award and be photographed for Hunger/Poverty Prevention Newsletter. If this requirement is not fulfilled the scholarship award would be forfeited.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

(If under 18 years of age)

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Send materials to: _____