



Seminary/Christian Education Scholarship

Charles Kendall Gift Fund – This scholarship fund is for students who intend to enter the Christian Ministry or who plan to be Christian workers within The United Methodist Church. Special consideration will be given to United Methodist Ministers’ children attending a United Methodist Seminary or School of Theology.

Dr. H. Jack Brown Family Endowed Fund for Christian Education – This scholarship is for students accepted into seminary or who are already attending seminary. The seminary must be on the list of United Methodist University Senate approved schools.

Christian Ministry/Sapp Seminary Scholarship Fund – Special consideration will be given for students pursuing full ordination in graduate theological seminaries, approved by the Desert Southwest Conference Board of Ordained Ministry. If no applicants pursuing full ordination apply, consideration will be given to those pursuing other Christian ministry paths.

Rebecca Oaks-Long Scholarship Fund – To provide funds to Desert Southwest ministerial candidates who have satisfactorily completed at least one year of their studies.

Roger M. and Jane L. Stressman Scholarship Fund – Consideration shall be as follows: 1) Those beginning their seminary studies under the Local Pastor’s or similar program; 2) Any United Methodist person studying for the Ordained Ministry; Diaconal students in The United Methodist Church; and 3) Any person preparing for a ministry, requiring seminary training in any of our sister denominations.

General Scholarships

Lucille S. Bailey Memorial Fund – Assist in the training of Elementary School Teachers OR for emergency needs of Methodist students attending schools within the boundary of the Desert Southwest Annual Conference.

Bruce and Carolyn Mathews Scholarship Fund – To provide funds to students or future students in financial need or children of ordained clergy or licensed pastors who are active members of their United Methodist Churches for the purposes of higher education. It is the intent of the donor that higher education be defined as: 1) a four plus year college or university; 2) Community college; 3) a trade or vocational school.

Methodist Medical-Dental Student Revolving Scholarship Fund – To aid and assist medical and dental students, who have completed their undergraduate requirements prerequisite to a degree of Doctor of Medicine or Doctor of Dental Surgery of an accredited and recognized institution of higher learning and who has been admitted as a student for academic studies for said degree or who at the time of receiving said funds, is an active member of a Protestant church. If it is established that the Trust estate is no longer needed for the purpose of aiding and assisting such medical or dental students, then and in such event the income derived from said Trust estate may from and after such time be determined in the sole discretion of the Trustee; provided, however, that the Trust estate shall be preserved.

Grant Funds

George S. Clark, M.D. Fund – Designated for education work dealing with the problems of the use of alcohol, particularly among children and youth.

DSUMF Grant/Gift Fund – Funds are available for a variety of purposes – church improvements, clergy support, technology, program sponsorship, etc.

Sue Kruse Fund – For church revitalization

Andrew and Irene Madsen Charitable Trust – These funds are to be specifically used to purchase an appropriate item or items for each new church established. Previous use has been for purchasing pulpit furniture, but this may not be appropriate in all circumstances. Each such gift should bear the designation of being from the Andrew and Irene Madsen Charitable Trust.

Ziegler Family Clergy Emergency Endowment Fund – The purpose of The Fund is to establish a means to financially assist clergy and their family during times of difficulty arising out of a family emergency. The clergyperson must be actively serving a full-time appointment by the resident Bishop of the Desert Southwest Conference. Use of this fund is limited to two families per calendar year.

Other Scholarships

William C. and Elizabeth A. Botkin Ministers' Emergency Grant Fund – Grants may be issued for Methodist Ministers and their families who may be faced with unusual and burdensome medical expenses. Such assistance will be in the form of grants to both active and retired ministers. The board voted to include other emergency needs such as psychological and dental expenses/needs, including transportation to and from appointments for medical, dental, and psychological. Please contact BOOM or click here for an application – [BOOM Scholarship Application](#)

Don Cooke Scholarship Fund – To provide scholarships to United Methodist members of the Desert Southwest Annual Conference to attend the college of their choice and to United Methodist members of other Annual Conferences who are attending college within the bounds of the Desert Southwest Annual Conference. Please contact the Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministries or click here for an application - [Board of Higher Education and Campus Ministries Scholarship Application](#)