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Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Applications Available Online

The Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship application is now available on Unity Foundation of La Porte County's website at www.uflc.net.

Through support of Independent Colleges of Indiana and Lilly Endowment, Unity Foundation offers two full-tuition, four-year college scholarships to benefit La Porte County residents. The scholarships provide full tuition, required fees, and a special allocation of up to \$900 per year for required books and equipment for four years of undergraduate study, leading to a baccalaureate degree at any accredited Indiana public or private college or university.

Receiving the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship is a privilege and an honor for a student that far exceeds its monetary value. Therefore, the Scholarship Selection Committee, comprised of volunteers from throughout the county, will seek to recommend the two most outstanding La Porte County students among those who apply. Part of the Lilly Scholarship application includes essays. The Committee puts a lot of weight on these essays, as they are the first opportunity for applicants to really shine. Therefore, it is suggested for students to have a counselor, teacher, or other trusted mentor proof-read their answers before submitting the application.

To be eligible, students must:

- be a resident of La Porte County, Indiana.
- have graduated from an accredited high school that serves La Porte County by June 30, 2021.
- intend to pursue a full-time baccalaureate course of study beginning in the Fall of 2021 at an accredited Indiana college or university.
- submit a complete online application at www.uflc.net to the Unity to the Unity Foundation by 11:59 p.m. on September 6, 2020.

The scholarships will be awarded based on academic achievement, demonstrated service to others, leadership ability, commitment and motivation to succeed in academics, employment history, and financial need. A personal interview will assist in determining scholarship nominees.

Over the past 20 years, 62 La Porte County students have benefitted from this generous scholarship program, totaling more than \$4 million in support.

Since 1992, Unity Foundation of La Porte County has served donors, nonprofits and local communities. As La Porte County's community foundation, it manages approximately \$32 million in assets, administers more than 325 charitable funds, and has distributed approximately \$19 million through direct grants and scholarships. The Council on Foundations has deemed Unity Foundation in compliance with all Indiana and national ethical and operating standards for community foundations.