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**HARRY W. AND OLIVE E. HARDER
MEMORIAL FUND
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**



OPEN JANUARY 1-MARCH 9, 2026

SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO:

By Mail: Shiawassee Community Foundation
Post Office Box 753
Owosso, MI, 48867

In Person: Shiawassee Community Foundation
217 N. Washington St. – Suite 104
Owosso, MI 48867

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Phone: 989-725-1093
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CRITERIA

Applications are accepted from Durand Area High School incoming freshman or students completing their freshman, sophomore or junior year at Durand Area High School. This scholarship is to be used for band camp or a FFA program. The student may not be a senior as it is desired that benefits gained from the program be shared with classmates. The successful candidate(s) shall have demonstrated scholastic aptitude and be interested in the lifelong pursuit of instrumental music and/or the leadership program of the FFA. Financial need shall be considered in the event of limited scholarship availability. A student may receive one scholarship from this fund during their high school career.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE LEGIBLY

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: _____
Last First Middle

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Gender: Male _____ Female _____ Choose Not to Disclose _____

DURAND HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

G.P.A. _____

What grade are you in? _____

IF AWARDED, I PLAN TO USE THIS SCHOLARSHIP FOR (please check only one):

_____ BAND CAMP – Date(s): _____ Total Cost: \$ _____

_____ FFA PROGRAM – Date(s): _____ Total Cost: \$ _____

If approved, scholarships will be sent to either Durand Band Boosters or Durand High School FFA on your behalf.



INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC AND FFA ACTIVITIES:

Using only the space below, please list Instrumental Music and/or FFA activities in which you have participated.

Activity	# of Years	Leadership Positions, Awards and Recognition

FAMILY INFORMATION

Name of Parents/Guardians: _____

Parent #1 Employment: _____
Occupation Employer

Parent #2 Employment: _____
Occupation Employer

Number of brothers and sisters: Older than you _____ Younger than you _____

Number of household members (including parents) in college: _____

Total adjusted gross income from the most recent Federal Income Tax form:

Tax Year _____ Adjusted Gross Income \$ _____



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CERTIFICATION:

I acknowledge that the information in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the information contained in my application may be shared with the scholarship advisory committee and/or scholarship sponsor.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

PLEASE INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING WITH YOUR APPLICATION:

Letter of Interest

A one-page letter of interest is required. This letter should be typed (font size no larger than 12) and double spaced. Include details about why you should be chosen for this scholarship based on your interests in instrumental music and/or FFA. Please include the specific instrumental music or FFA program you wish to fund with this scholarship.

Letter of Recommendation

This letter must be dated within the past year and be signed by the person writing the letter. This letter can be from your school administrators/educators or adult members of the community. (not family members)

Most Recent Transcript or Grade Report

Your grades must be sent directly to the Foundation office from your guidance counselor or school official by the due date. It is the responsibility of the student to request grades to be sent and make sure it is received at the Foundation office by the due date. Scholarship applications will not be considered without a transcript or grade report.

Number of Copies

Please submit one completed application package. Keep a copy for your records in case your application is lost or damaged in transit.

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If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us (989) 725-1093 or amanda@shiacf.org



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SHIAWASSEE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP AWARD POLICIES:

- ❖ Shiawassee Community Foundation Staff, Board, and Selection Committee members and their relatives are not eligible to apply for scholarships with the exception of the SCF Youth Advisory Council Board members. Youth Advisory Council Board members abstain from the entire scholarship selection and award process. (The term “relatives” is defined as parent, child, stepparent, stepchild, grandparent, grandchild, aunt, uncle, nephew, niece, first cousin, or sibling.)
- ❖ The Shiawassee Community Foundation Board of Directors reserves the right to extend any and all scholarship deadlines and to not award any and all scholarships at their discretion.
- ❖ Completing and submitting a scholarship application does not guarantee a scholarship award.
- ❖ All scholarship awards are made on an objective and nondiscriminatory basis from a pool of persons based on the criteria of each scholarship fund and upon the qualifications provided to SCF by the applicant.
- ❖ Alternate recipients may be selected for scholarships in the event the chosen recipient becomes ineligible.
- ❖ SCF is not responsible for applications or required documentation that is delayed or lost in the mail. Late and/or incomplete applications will not be considered for a scholarship.
- ❖ Scholarship monies are to be used within a year of being approved by the SCF Board.
- ❖ All scholarship application information submitted to SCF is handled in a strictly confidential manner.
- ❖ Scholarship amounts for each fund vary from year to year as determined by the SCF Board of Directors.
- ❖ Scholarships that are refunded to the Foundation from a grantee institution will be deposited back into the scholarship fund. Reissuance of a refunded scholarship is at the discretion of the Shiawassee Community Foundation.
- ❖ Scholarships are awarded based on the criteria of the scholarship fund and the information provided to SCF on the scholarship application of each student. If any information provided to SCF on the scholarship application changes and the student is no longer eligible to receive the scholarship awarded to them, then the scholarship will be rescinded.