

SARAH BECK HILL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP TRUST

This trust was created under the will of Ralph P. Hill in honor of the memory of his mother, Sarah Beck Hill, of Lawrence, Massachusetts. The will directed that the trust be administered by the First Presbyterian Church of Newport, Rhode Island.

Said Church is directed to award an appropriate sum each year for two students attending the University of Rhode Island (URI) at Kingston, Rhode Island. Each student will receive the same amount for four years. Grants will be paid each semester provided the student remains in good standing as a full-time student at URI, and is in a degree program. Good standing is defined as a student who is scholastically and socially in accordance with the rules and regulations of URI and carries a grade point average of 2.5 minimum.

The five requirements for consideration of scholarships are as follows:

1. **ACCEPTANCE FOR ADMISSION AT URI:** Must be accepted for admission and must attend URI.
2. **CHRISTIAN COMMITMENT:** Candidates must provide at least two letters one from their clergyman and at least one letter from a director of Christian education, church elder, or church school teacher recommending them with reference to character, integrity, leadership, and participation in church, community and school activities.
3. **SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT AND LEADERSHIP:** To demonstrate scholastic achievement, a copy of the candidate's high school transcript must be submitted. Also, a letter of recommendation from a school related person such as a senior class teacher or principal should be provided.
4. **FINANCIAL NEED:** Although Christian commitment, scholastic achievement and leadership will be priority criteria for selection of candidates, financial needs will be considered in the selection progress. Supply any information regarding your personal or family circumstances which will support your statement of financial need.
5. **PERSONAL STATEMENT:** A written statement to include the following information should accompany the application:
 - a) your education goals;
 - b) comments concerning your leadership role in school and church related activities; and
 - c) any significant information that will acquaint the Board with you.

All five requirements must be met and the attached application completed. Information will be held in the strictest confidence by the Board and used only for the purpose of selections to award scholarship grants.

The application for a scholarship and all supporting materials must be received no later than May 15, 2017 for the 2017 fall semester. It is anticipated that awards will be announced by June 15. The application should be sent to First Presbyterian Church, 4 Everett Street, Newport, Rhode Island 02840, c/o SBH Committee. (401-847-1749 or email to secretary@fpcnewport.org)

6. If you have been out of school more than six months, account fully for your time since graduation: _____

7. Have you applied to URI? _____
8. Accepted? Yes _____ Pending _____
What do you expect to major in? _____
Have you decided on your future occupation? If yes, specify: _____

Expected education expenses in the next school year as follows:

Tuition: \$ _____ Room / Board: \$ _____
All other \$ _____ Total expenses \$ _____

Sources of funds for the above expenses:

Savings: \$ _____ Family \$ _____
Loans: \$ _____ Other: \$ _____

Total source of funds: \$ _____

9. List work experience during the past three years: _____

Do you plan to work this summer? If yes, indicate place of employment, type of work and amount you hope to save for your education expenses: _____

List your present indebtedness, including education loans: _____

If you plan to borrow to provide for your education expenses, indicate proposed source and amounts: _____

10. If you have applied for other scholarship aid, list organizations and indicate amounts if you have been notified of any awards: _____

11. Mailing Address: _____

12. E-mail: _____

Applicant's Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature (if applicable)

Date