

## **Anderson/Kokomo Scholarship Program**

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### **What is the Ascension St. Vincent Foundation Anderson/Kokomo Scholarship Program?**

The Ascension St. Vincent Foundation awards scholarships each year to deserving Ascension St. Vincent associates who are pursuing degrees or certifications that will help them further their careers. These scholarships are made possible by generous contributions of individuals, corporations, and foundations in recognition of the outstanding care provided to Ascension St. Vincent patients and their families.

#### **What are the requirements to be eligible for an Ascension St. Vincent Foundation Scholarship?**

Ascension St. Vincent Foundation Scholarships are available to associates who have **completed at least one year of consecutive employment** at Ascension St. Vincent Anderson/Kokomo and are applying for or pursuing a degree at an accredited school that will help them further their career at Ascension St. Vincent. Applicants must provide proof of enrollment in an accredited institution.

#### **Which Ascension St. Vincent Hospitals are eligible for scholarship applications?**

Ascension St. Vincent Anderson

Ascension St. Vincent Kokomo

#### **What if I am in the process of enrolling in school, but am not currently enrolled? Can I still apply for a scholarship?**

If an applicant is in the application process, he/she may apply with an explanation. Proof of acceptance must be provided to the Ascension St. Vincent Foundation prior to the release of scholarship funds. Documentation can include an official transcript from the last semester of enrollment, a letter of acceptance on school letterhead that includes a start date, or a letter from the school confirming the applicant's current enrollment on letterhead.

#### **If I have received a scholarship in the past, am I able to re-apply?**

Previous scholarship recipients are eligible to apply for a one-time renewal scholarship. Previous recipients can also re-apply if pursuing a new degree.

#### **Do I need a recommendation in order to apply?**

The application must be completed in full and include one director/manager and one peer recommendation. Please note that these must be two (2) different individuals.

#### **How many scholarships are awarded each year?**

The amount awarded changes each year based on available funds.

#### **What do the scholarships cover?**

Awarded scholarships cover tuition costs and are made payable directly to the educational institutions of the recipients.

#### **Is the award of an Ascension St. Vincent Foundation Scholarship contingent upon the continued performance of services to Ascension St. Vincent after the scholarship is awarded?**

Currently, there is no requirement for recipients to remain employed with Ascension St. Vincent after receiving a scholarship. While we hope this program encourages our talented associates to grow their long-term careers within our ministry, please note that some awards are location-specific. If you transfer to a different ministry location, your eligibility for the scholarship may be affected.

**Who selects the scholarship recipients?**

A selection committee composed of Ascension St. Vincent hospital leadership, nurse managers, Foundation board members, Victoria Guild members (Victoria Guild Scholarship only) and donors reviews applications and selects recipients.

**When will the next scholarships be awarded?**

The scholarship application cycle is typically February 1 through April 1 with recipients notified by June 1 and scholarship funds mailed directly to school bursar offices by June 30.

**What is the deadline to apply for a Scholarship?**

Your complete online application including essays, manager and peer recommendations must be submitted online by **midnight, April 1**.

**Does everything have to be submitted online?**

Yes, your complete application, essay, manager and peer recommendations must all be submitted online using the **Anderson/Kokomo Associate Scholarship Application**.

**Does my reference submit their recommendation online?**

All recommendations must be submitted online by the applicant. Create one pdf of your recommendation letters and upload into the online form.

**Who should I ask to complete my recommendation?**

Your recommendation must come from your current Ascension St. Vincent manager.

**How do I access the application?**

Visit [Anderson/Kokomo Associate Scholarship Application](#)

**Is there someone I can contact with additional questions**

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