

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE UUFF YOUTH ENRICHMENT GRANT PROGRAM

On this day, March 14, 2013 the Governing Board of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Falmouth hereby establishes the **UUFF Youth Enrichment Grant Program** consisting of the **UUFF Youth Educational Enrichment Fund** and the **UUFF Enrichment Grant Committee**.

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- I. The **UUFF Youth Enrichment Grant Program** has been established by the UUFF Governing Board to award grants to support high school graduates as they undertake advanced learning or enrichment experiences at some point in the five-year period following their graduation from high school. Eligible recipients are high school graduates associated directly with UUFF themselves or through their families.

The Grants are intended to allow college students who have completed one year of study to apply for a grant that would allow them to consider enrichment activities or cover educational expenses, the cost of which might exceed amounts available from family and financial aid sources. Grant amounts are limited to \$1000 per youth. The learning or enrichment experiences may include but are not limited to such things as: college expenses, leadership school, lessons, specialized coursework, travel, and internships.

The Governing Board may alter the terms and conditions of the UUFF Youth Enrichment Program as the Board deems appropriate to accomplish the program's educational purpose, consistent with the Fellowship's status as a Section 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization. Any alterations to the terms and conditions of the UUFF Youth enrichment Program must be approved by the Enrichment Grant Committee.

- II. The **UUFF Youth Educational Enrichment Fund** is an established account of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Falmouth (UUFF). The account exists solely to receive and disburse monies donated to fund the Youth Educational Enrichment Grant program.
- III. The **UUFF Enrichment Grant Committee** is a committee of UUFF members who are responsible for raising money for the Enrichment Fund, soliciting and evaluating grant applications, and selecting grant recipients to recommend to the Governing Board for approval.

The Governing Board is responsible for appointing the initial members of the Enrichment Grant Committee and from time to time, appointing additional members of that committee, and appointing successors to such initial and additional members, as appropriate.

The Enrichment Grant Committee may not include UUFF members who have students enrolled in high school or college.

If a member of the Governing Board is the parent or guardian of a student who applies for a grant, then that member of the governing Board must recuse himself or herself from voting on the awarding of the scholarship grants.

IV. Process for awarding grants to eligible applicants

Eligibility:

- college students whose families are members of the UUFF
- college students who were active members of the UUFF Youth Group during their senior year in high school

Grant Process:

- students may apply for a grant after they have completed one semester of college
- students may apply at any time during the five year period following high school graduation
- applications will be accepted by the committee between December and April of an academic year with a deadline of April 30th
- grants will be awarded or denied by May 31st of the same academic year
- awards will be made on the basis of merit as judged by the Enrichment Grant Committee
- no student may receive more than two separate grants over the five year period of their eligibility
- grants may not be awarded to students whose parents or relatives have made donations to the Enrichment Fund in the years during which the student is eligible to receive a grant or the three years preceding this time period
- grants may be disbursed only after the student has completed his or her freshman year of college
- whenever possible, grants will be paid directly to an educational institution or organization

Application Process: Applicants should send an email to UUFFenrichment@gmail.com and attach the following in PDF format:

1. Completed application form
2. Description of your involvement with UUFF, including any youth group participation you have had in the past.
3. Description of your educational goals and how you would use the grant to enhance your education and life experience
4. Transcript of college level study completed to date.

Application For UUFF Educational Enrichment Grant

Name _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name: _____

Address: _____

College you are now attending: _____

Year: freshman sophomore junior senior

Major/avocation: _____

Please email the following with this completed application form:

1. A description of your involvement with UUFF, including any youth group participation you have had in the past
2. A description of your educational goals and how you would use the grant to enhance your education and life experience
3. Transcript from your current educational institution

Signature _____ Date: _____