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The Concord Carlisle Scholarship Fund (CCSF) was established in 1966 to provide need-based grants to deserving young men and women from Concord or Carlisle to obtain additional educational opportunities after secondary school. The Fund is a tax-exempt charitable trust. Recipients must either live in or have attended school in either town.

The Fund is administered by a 16-member volunteer board of trustees (with 4 non-voting associate trustees and one emeritus trustee). Scholarships are financed through an annual appeal, a student-staffed phon-a-thon, and by income generated from

memorial gifts, bequests, and named funds. For more information about the CCSF, please see the website: www.ccscholarshipfund.org (<http://www.ccscholarshipfund.org>).

Words from one scholarship recipient: “As a first-generation college student, I greatly appreciated the help and support of the CCSF. It was very meaningful to me and to my family that the Scholarship recognized my hard work in high school and helped make it possible for me to attend a small liberal arts college. Wellesley provided the perfect steppingstone to grad school (my undergrad adviser still writes letters for me all the time). I graduated in May 2010 on an accelerated schedule after receiving an invitation to go to Harvard to be a post-doctoral teaching fellow.”

Since the Fund was founded in 1966, it has provided financial assistance to 1,123 students, and many of this total have been supported for multiple years of undergraduate study. In 2013, the Trustees awarded \$162,900 to 40 high school graduates and 56 students currently in college, and the Fund’s affiliated organizations supplemented this amount with \$56,450. This brings the total awarded in 2013 to \$219,350, and the combined number of students awarded scholarship assistance in that year to 96. In 2013, individual awards ranged from \$500 to \$7,500, with the average award being \$2,285 per recipient.

Traditionally, the Trustees host a brunch at the start of the new calendar year in appreciation of the Named Fund Scholarship benefactors. The annual CCSF phon-a-thon takes place over two nights using space donated by Fenn School; it is staffed by Concord-Carlisle High School (CCHS) students who are candidates for the National Honor Society. The board also supports the annual Adrian A. Martinez Road Race in June which generates additional funds for the scholarship that memorializes Adrian, CCHS Class of 2002.

Another recipient writes, “The Concord Carlisle Scholarship Fund helped ease the burden of tuition on myself and my parents. Where other Mount Holyoke friends left school with seemingly unbearable amounts of student loan debt, I was able to leave school with minimal loans that I am easily able to make payments on now.”

Three new named funds were created during 2013:

- ▶ The Concord and Carlisle Authors’ Scholarship Fund
- ▶ The Gary A. Garofola Memorial Scholarship Fund
- ▶ The Thomas Hart Memorial Scholarship Fund

Two of these three scholarships were awarded for the first time in 2013. The Concord and Carlisle Authors' Scholarship Fund will provide an award when it becomes fully endowed.

2013 scholarships recipients are listed in the following pages.

Note: Scholarships marked with an asterisk are managed by the CCSF. Four scholarships are managed by the Trustees of Town Donations of the Town of Concord. All other scholarships are managed by the named affiliate organization, listed below.

CCSF Affiliates:

Acton Toyota of Littleton

The Carlisle Garden Club

The Carlisle Old Home Day Association

The Concord Children's Center

The Concord Firefighters' Relief Association

The Newbury Court-Rivercrest-Deaconess Assoc.

The Rotary Club of Concord

The Town of Concord

The United Women's Club of Concord

The Williams Fund

The Concord Carlisle Scholarship Fund trustees are indebted to the citizens of Concord and Carlisle and friends from other towns, as well as to the Concord-Carlisle Community Chest, whose generosity has enabled the Fund to provide scholarships to all of these deserving students. We wish all of our scholarship recipients well in their post- secondary educational pursuit

[Concord Carlisle Scholarships Awarded in 2013 \[PDF\]](#)