



Because College Doesn't Happen by Chance.®

Getting into college starts with the belief that a college education is possible. It also requires preparation—not just getting good grades and being involved in the community, but also knowing how and where to find the required financial resources. **Scholarship America®** helps students attain their dream of college or vocational school. We believe that every student, regardless of

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Through our divisions – **Dollars For Scholars®** and **Scholarship Management Services®** – and our special initiatives and programs, we help corporations, foundations and individuals serve their employees and

communities through scholarship and educational support programs. We help communities organize grassroots support to provide postsecondary education for local students through scholarships. We establish motivational learning centers where caring adults guide youth toward success in school, career and life.

Through Scholarship America, more than 1.5 million students have received nearly \$2 billion in scholarship aid since 1958. Through our college-access programs, more than 400,000 students have gained the motivation they need to go on to college. **Last year alone, Scholarship America awarded more than \$207 million in scholarships to more than 114,000 students and helped more than 140,000 fourth through twelfth graders chart their future.**

*Scholarship America has received six consecutive four-star ratings – the highest possible – from Charity Navigator, America's premier evaluator of nonprofit fiscal health.*



Dollars for Scholars is Scholarship America's original, grassroots, community-based scholarship program. Since its founding in 1958, this division has awarded scholarships to nearly 500,000 students.

*2006-2007 Stats:* 1,267 total chapters, in 42 states and the District of Columbia • 66 new chapters • 3,800 communities served • 514 Collegiate Partner institutions maximizing Dollars for Scholars funds • \$67.8 million raised • \$35.7 million distributed • 38,015 students served



Scholarship Management Services designs and administers scholarship and other education assistance programs for companies and organizations. Since 1976, this division has awarded nearly \$1.5 billion in scholarships to more than 900,000 students.

*2006-2007 Stats:* 1,154 total programs • 103 new programs • 318,956 applications processed • 76,196 students served • \$171,377,193 distributed



ScholarShop, Scholarship America's collegiate readiness program, helps students in grades 4-12 and their parents prepare for college financially, socially and academically.

*2006-2007 Stats:* 14 new sites • 157 total sites in 23 states • nearly 10,000 monthly visitors to ScholarShop's Options for Kids Web site • 150,000 students and parents served

## Special Initiatives

The **Families of Freedom Scholarship Fund®** provides postsecondary education funding to financially needy dependents of those killed or disabled in the 9/11 attacks and rescue efforts. To date, the fund has distributed \$22 million to nearly 900 students, and will continue distributing funds through 2030.

The **Disaster Relief Fund for Postsecondary Education** was established to help students affected by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, and has awarded \$4.5 million to more than 6,800 students.

The **Dreamkeepers Emergency Financial Aid** program has distributed nearly \$600,000 in emergency funding to more than 1,500 community college students facing unexpected expenses that would otherwise force them out of school.

Learn more about all of our programs, and everything that Scholarship America does, at our Web site: [www.scholarshipamerica.org](http://www.scholarshipamerica.org)