

Georgetown Presbyterian Church Leland – Starnes Scholarship Fund

Criteria and Eligibility

BACKGROUND & PURPOSE

On April 17, 1974, the Session of the Georgetown Presbyterian Church established a trust fund in honor of Mr. John G. Leland, an outstanding churchman, on the occasion of his 50th anniversary as a member of the church. The congregation has consistently contributed to this trust fund thereby supporting the youth of the church in their educational endeavors. On June 7, 2017, the estate of Mr. J. Wesley Starnes made a significant contribution to this trust fund. This scholarship fund is in gratitude to the legacies of excellence and generosity of Mr. Leland and Mr. Starnes.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must be active members of the Georgetown or Friendfield Presbyterian Churches and shall be seeking to continue their education in a two year or four year accredited college or university.

AWARD AMOUNT

The amount of the award may vary, due to interest rates. The award will ordinarily be distributed in two payments – one at the beginning of each semester. The grant shall be made for one year but may be renewable once upon reapplication and award. Individual award amounts will be determined based on church involvement, financial need, academic excellence, community involvement and the submitted essay.

SUBMISSION

Application forms can be found on the church website at $\underline{www.georgetownpresbyterian.org}$. Completed typed applications, essays and transcript of high school or college grades should be submitted no later than $April\ 30^{th}$ to:

Leland-Starnes Scholarship Georgetown Presbyterian Church 558 Black River Road Georgetown, SC 29440

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The committee shall consist of the Clerk of Session, Chairman of Discipleship and Family Nurture Committee and one member at large elected by the congregation. It meets yearly to review applications and recommend disbursements. The Pastor is an ex-officio member of the scholarship committee and shall call it to meet.