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PIKE COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

(Pike County, Indiana) This year, donors to the Pike County Community Foundation are again making scholarship awards available through the Foundation's Community Scholarship Program.

"Many foundation donors have honored their loved ones, high schools, or professions by endowing scholarship opportunities through the Foundation," says Cindy Gaskins, Director. "We administer separate scholarship funds established by individuals, families, and organizations to assist local students in pursuit of advanced education. Together, these scholarships make up our Community Scholarship Program."

Students may apply for one or more scholarships, as long as they meet the particular eligibility requirements. Details about each scholarship and the application are posted on the Foundation's website, www.CommunityFoundationAlliance.org/Pike.

Eligibility requirements and selection criteria are determined by donors and are posted on the website. Each scholarship is unique and supports students with a variety of backgrounds, educational goals, and economic statuses. Awards are made without regard to race, creed, color, sex, religion, or national origin and are based on a competitive process which may consider academic achievement, extracurricular activities, personal aspirations, educational goals, and financial need.

The Foundation offers the following tips to help students complete their applications:

1. Begin working on the application early.
2. Search for scholarships that match your unique interests and hobbies.
3. Take the time to write required essays. It's worth the extra effort.
4. Follow all instructions carefully and make sure you are submitting all the required parts (including letters of recommendation, transcripts, etc.). Check and double-check your application before submitting.
5. Ask a friend or teacher to read your application and essay for any mistakes that you may have missed.

Applications are accepted on the website, www.CommunityFoundationAlliance.org/Pike. **The deadline is 12 midnight on Sunday, February 24, 2019.**

About the Pike County Community Foundation

The Pike County Community Foundation is one of 9 county affiliates of the Community Foundation Alliance. The Community Foundation Alliance is comprised of affiliate Foundations serving counties throughout southwestern Indiana. The Alliance provides each affiliate with management, administrative, and development expertise and services, so every local Foundation can focus on promoting philanthropy, building endowment, and making a difference in their community. Through the establishment of endowed funds created by caring donors to benefit community causes, Alliance affiliates work to improve the quality of life in their counties by distributing a portion of funds' earnings to local non-profit organizations, in the form of annual scholarships and grants.

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