



**Bond Brothers
Scholarship
Application 2026-27**

Available @
www.cumberlandunitedfund.org



*For consideration for the 2026-27 School Year, summer, fall or winter enrollment.
 High School Students should return their completed application to their school guidance office. (SMHS
 deadline is March 23, 2206) all other applications are to be returned on or before March 24, 2026
 Non-traditional applicants (having graduated high school one or more years ago) should email completed
 application to admin@cumberlandunitedfund.org (preferable) or to the Cumberland County United Fund,
 348 Taylor Street, Suite 101, Crossville, TN 38555.*

Applicant Criteria

1. must be a resident of Cumberland County;
2. will have graduated from high school or passed the GED HS equivalency by award presentation time;
3. have applied to an accredited undergraduate college, university, trade or vocational school;
4. have completed all 4 pages and returned this application by the deadline;
5. show financial need
6. show scholastic aptitude (although academic excellence may be assigned a lesser role);
7. must include a (1) one-page essay stating needs and goals;
8. include contact information for (3) three personal references
9. complete an interview with the selection committee, if requested;
10. age will not be a criterion;
11. receipt of this scholarship does not preclude receiving scholarships from other sources.

Personal Information (print or type legibly)

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Best phone number to reach you _____

Email _____

Are you employed? () Yes () No Place and/or Company of Employment _____
 (circle) Full Time Part Time

Are you a community volunteer? () Yes () No Where _____

Name of school(s) or college(s) you plan to attend and when (date or term) or current status if already enrolled in
 post-secondary program _____

Field of study _____

Admission Status () Currently attending; () Accepted; () Pending; () Have not applied

Have you filed the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, have you been notified if you qualify for a Pell Grant/Work Study, etc. ☐ Yes ☐ No

List other sources of financial aid, scholarships, etc., for which you have applied _____

Have you received notification from any of the above sources that you have received the award? If so, list name _____

Are you currently in the TNAchieves (Tennessee Promise)/Reconnect ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you the first in your family to attend college ☐ Yes ☐ No

Do you have personal savings? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Traditional Applicants (current high school student, planning to go to a post-secondary should complete family information below:

Father/Guardian _____ Occupation
Employer _____ & Position _____
(circle) Full Time Part Time

Mother/Guardian _____ Occupation
Employer _____ & Position _____
(circle) Full Time Part Time

Number of other children living at home: _____ Ages _____

Is anyone else in your family attending a post-secondary school? _____ If yes, how many _____

Where will you be living during the '23-24 school year? (Circle one): on campus off campus at home

Current yearly income range for your family: Circle one:

Less than \$10,000	\$10,000 - \$20,000	\$20,000 - \$30,000	\$30,000 - \$40,000
\$40,000 - \$50,000	\$50,000 - \$60,000	\$60,000 - \$70,000	Over \$70,000

Non-traditional applicants (having graduated HS one or more years ago or currently attending post-secondary school and living independently of parents) should complete the following:

Are you a Military Service/Veteran? () Yes (x) No Branch of Service _____

Significant Other's name (if any) _____

Their occupation/place of employment _____

Their Employer _____ (circle) Full Time Part Time

Number of children in household _____ ages _____

Where will you be living during the '25-'26 school term? (Circle one) on campus off campus at home

Current yearly income range for you/your family: Circle One

Less than \$10,000 \$10,000 - \$20,000 \$20,000 - \$30,000 \$30,000 - \$40,000

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Statement of Needs and Goals

Please write and attach a one-page essay explaining your reasons for submitting this application. Include the following topics in your discussion with each one addressed in a separate paragraph:

- The personal circumstances related to your need for financial aid to further your education
- Your academic and career goals
- Your current employment and/or school major and its relationship to your future plans
- Your role and involvement in community activities

Please list 3 Personal References (not family members)

Name _____ Relationship _____

Email Address _____ Phone _____

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Disclaimer and Signature

I certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

If this application leads to the receipt of a scholarship, I understand that false or misleading information in my application and/or subsequent interview may result in disqualification.

Signature _____ Date _____

Selection and Notification

Applications will be reviewed by a Selection Committee chosen by the United Fund. The Selection Committee will determine recipients. Current High School Applicants will be notified if they have been selected to receive a scholarship during the week of Cumberland County High School Graduation. Non-traditional applicants will be notified prior to their projected enrollment date in the 2025-26 school year.

UF reserves the right not to present a scholarship if no applicants are deemed merited. Unawarded scholarships or monies will be used for future scholarships.

Checks in payment of such scholarships shall be issued and mailed directly to the name of the institution to be attended. Should the recipient show need of money for another school related expense (transportation, a computer, etc.) in lieu of tuition or housing, then a check shall be issued directly to the recipient.

Personal Essay