



**Bond Brothers  
Scholarship  
Application 2026-27  
Available @  
[www.cumberlandunitedfund.org](http://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, 2026) 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](mailto: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 \_\_\_\_\_

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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 & Position \_\_\_\_\_  
 Employer \_\_\_\_\_ (circle) Full Time Part Time

Mother/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation & Position \_\_\_\_\_  
 Employer \_\_\_\_\_ (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

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**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