



## The Community Foundation of Southeast Kansas Scholarship Program

### Bill House Hereford Foundation Scholarship

#### Scholarship Overview:

Mr. Swain William (Bill) House had a passion for agriculture and the cattle industry and wanted young people to have an opportunity to earn a career in agriculture. His legacy will continue through the **Bill House Hereford Foundation Scholarship Fund**, established to support students pursuing an agricultural-related degree.

#### Scholarship Requirements:

1. Applicants must be majoring in an agricultural field of study, including but not limited to, agribusiness, agricultural economics, agricultural education, animal sciences, conservation, feed science, veterinary medicine, or a similar major.
2. Preference will be given in the following **order of priority**:
  - A graduating senior from Cowley or Chautauqua County
  - Kansas or Oklahoma resident
  - Students attending a Kansas or Oklahoma college, university or vocational school
3. This is a one year scholarship with half the amount paid in the fall and half in the spring. New scholarships will be awarded each year. Former scholarship recipients may re-apply. Please note in your application if you have previously received the Bill House Hereford Scholarship, when, and any impact it provided.
4. Recipients are required to have earned a 2.5 or higher GPA at the time of application and for the first semester of college study to receive funds for the second semester.
5. Scholarship funds will be distributed through the Community Foundation of Southeast Kansas directly to the institution of enrollment for assistance with tuition and fees. The amount of the scholarship may vary each year. The amount of each scholarship shall be determined by the Advisory Committee of the Scholarship fund.
6. All applications should be submitted according to application instructions below. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
7. Any relative of the donor or of the Advisory selection committee is not eligible to apply due to IRS regulations.

#### Application Instructions:

Submit application cover page with all required information **in the order listed, typed, one sided, no staples in one combined document**. Do not include links to documents in your application. Please return completed application by email to [sherri.stephens@southeastkansas.org](mailto:sherri.stephens@southeastkansas.org) at the Community Foundation of Southeast Kansas. Applications must be received no later than March 15.

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Application Cover Page

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/County/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Email Contact (do not use school district email) \_\_\_\_\_

High School(s) &/or College(s) attended \_\_\_\_\_

High School Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name of college/university/career technical education program you plan to attend and agricultural degree/certification sought: \_\_\_\_\_

Attach in one combined PDF document the following items to this cover page in the order listed:

1. A copy of your most recent academic transcript including ACT/SAT scores and proof of agriculture major.
2. A list of participation in school extracurricular activities, community activities, work history, and any achievements or recognitions since entering high school.
3. A one page (250 word limit) essay that communicates the following:
  - Your decision to choose an agricultural career.
  - Strengths and weaknesses.
  - List financial assistance and amount, i.e. other scholarships, honors college, federal aid, etc., you have or plan to receive for the upcoming school year.
  - A statement that expresses why you should be considered for the Bill House Hereford Foundation Scholarship.
  - Where you see yourself in 10 years.

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