



Michael Todd Long Memorial Scholarship

The Shelby County Community Charity was founded following the diagnosis of a young boy, Michael Todd Long, with an inoperable brain tumor. Since his passing, we have celebrated Michael and the enduring influence he had on Shelby County. We aim to honor his legacy through the Michael Todd Long Memorial Scholarship. Michael embodied courage, empathy, strength, determination, and a unique character. This scholarship is awarded each year to a senior from Shelby County who exemplifies the qualities we all cherish in Michael.

Award Amount: \$2,500

Eligibility: Open to graduating high school seniors that live in Shelby County who plan to pursue higher education at an accredited college or university.

Due By: May 12th, 2026

Criteria for Selection: Applicants will be evaluated based on how they reflect Michael's values and life:

- **Leadership and Courage:** Demonstrating the ability to inspire others, tackle challenges head-on, and make a positive impact in the community, much like Michael did.
- **Community Engagement:** Engaging actively in volunteer efforts or projects that enhance Shelby County, showcasing Michael's passion for service.
- **Legacy of Kindness:** Leaving a lasting impact through acts of compassion and generosity.

This scholarship not only supports educational aspirations, but also serves as a beacon of hope and inspiration. It encourages students to embrace their individuality and strive for excellence, much like Michael did. By investing in these young scholars, Shelby County Community Charity continues to uphold the values that Michael cherished, ensuring that his legacy lives on in the hearts and minds of all who are touched by his story. Through this initiative, we celebrate the power of kindness and the profound difference it can make in the world. The information provided on this form will be used by the Shelby County Community Charity Scholarship Committee to select one recipient. It is important that you give complete details concerning your college/career plans, activities, and financial information.

BASIC INFORMATION

Student's Full / Legal Name *

First Name

Last Name

Student's Address *

Street Address

Street Address Line 2

Student's Phone Number *

Area Code

Phone Number

City

State / Province

Student's E-mail *

Postal / Zip Code

Country

example@example.com

Gender *

Academics

Academic GPA *

Schools to which you are applying

School 1 *

School 2

School 3

Major(s) You Are Considering

In order of preference, list the major(s) you are considering (Very important for scholarship eligibility).

Major 1 *

Major 2 *

REFERENCES:

Please list one educator and at least one community person who would recommend you for a scholarship. Please attach letters below.

Reference 1 Name (Position,Phone Number. email) *

Reference 2 Name (Position,Phone Number, email) *

SCHOOL / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES / WORK / EXPERIENCE/SPORTS/AWARDS/ETC:

List name of club, any leadership roles, and years of participation. If you volunteered, list the name of organization and the number of hours, weeks and/or years that you volunteered. If you've worked, list the company, hours per week and length of time. Attach an additional sheet or resume if necessary.

School Activities (not sports)

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Community Service / Volunteer Activities 1 (at school)

Community Service / Volunteer Activities 2 (outside of school)

Community Service / Volunteer Activities 3 (outside of school)

Sports Participation 1

Sports Participation 2

Will you be participating in a sport(s) after high school?

Yes

No

Travel Experience or Unusual Experiences (study abroad, etc.)

School / Community Awards and Honors 1 (no matter how small) CSF, GSE, National Honor Society, Girl/Boy Scouts, 4-H, Governor's Scholar, etc.

School / Community Awards and Honors 2

School / Community Awards and Honors 3

EMPLOYMENT 1: List past and present work and length of time employed.

EMPLOYMENT 2: List past and present work and length of time employed.

STUDENT STATEMENT: In a few sentences, describe yourself. *

Have you ever assisted or volunteered with one of our Shelby County Community Golf Charity events?

Yes

No

If yes, please give details:

Needs-based Scholarships Parent Financial Information

All information supplied by you will be treated as confidential.

Directions

Stepparent/guardian information may replace Mother or Father's information: Please report earnings for the parent/stepparent who the student has lived with most of the time (over 50%) in the past twelve months. If the student lives with both parents equally, then provide answers about the parent/stepparent who provides the most financial support.

Father/Stepfather/Guardian Name

Father/Stepfather Employer and Occupation

Mother/Stepmother/Guardian Name

Mother/Stepmother Employer and Occupation:

First generation to attend college? *

Yes

No

Father/Stepfather Annual Income : *

Mother/Stepmother Annual Income : *

Other income that can be used for educational purposes (inheritance, college funds, etc)-do not include home equity, IRA's or other retirement accounts (optional):

Other Income Type 1:

Other Income Amount 1:

Other Income Type 2:

Other Income Amount 2:

Please explain any financial circumstances that have impacted your choice to earn degree.

STUDENT STATEMENT: How would receiving this scholarship impact your ability to pursue your degree in education? *

Have you earned any KEES Money? *

Yes

No

SCHOLARSHIP RECEIVED TO DATE 1

AMOUNT 1

SCHOLARSHIP RECEIVED TO DATE 2

AMOUNT 2

A Lasting Legacy:

Everyone who knew Michael, and those who continue to carry on his legacy, know the deep love the community had for him. His smile was infectious, and he showed kindness to everyone he met. Michael demonstrated remarkable courage and strength as a leader during his hardships. Please take a moment to help us understand how you embody Michael's attribute and passions. Answer the following questions:

STUDENT STATEMENT: What do you want your legacy to be here in Shelby County? *

STUDENT STATEMENT: What impact has sports had on your life? *

STUDENT STATEMENT: As a leader, how do you encourage others? *

Essay Questions

Please answer the following essay questions, and upload separate files below. (Requirements: minimum 500 words each)

1. What was the most difficult event you have encountered in your life and what did you do to overcome it?
2. What one thing would you improve about Shelby County and how would you achieve that goal?

Submission Time

Month Day Year Hour Minutes