The William H. (Bill) Simon Scholarship Fund

Purpose

The William H. (Bill) Simon Scholarship Fund awards scholarships to Catholic students who are in financial need for the purpose of attending an accredited college or university of the student's choice. The scholarship is \$ 1,000 per semester to assist the student in meeting educational needs. Scholarship funds are paid directly to the institution or to the student upon presentation of receipts paid to the institution for tuition, fees, and/or room and board. It is the intent to award three new scholarships each year; however, the actual number of new awards will be contingent upon the current number of previous recipients that are eligible for renewal.

Criteria

To be eligible to receive the Simon Scholarship, the student must meet the following criteria:

- You (or your family) must be a registered Catholic in the Jefferson City Diocese.
- You must complete a scholarship application in full.
- You must obtain a written letter of recommendation from a school official (e.g. teacher, counselor, principal, coach) and your current or past parish priest/pastoral administrator.
- You must demonstrate financial need. You will be required to submit a copy of your Student Aid Report (SAR). This report is generated through the completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The FAFSA is available at all guidance and financial aid offices and at most libraries. It may also be filed electronically via the Internet.

The deadline for submission of the application, SAR, and letters of recommendation is **March 31** (if sending via post, it must be postmarked by March 31). All applicants will be notified of the results by May 1.

Scholarship Renewal

The scholarship is renewable for \$ 1,000 per semester for up to eight (8) semesters (\$8,000 maximum). To continue eligibility, the student must:

- Maintain a GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale each semester. The student will be responsible for presenting official grade reports for the preceding semester.
- Show successful completion of at least nine (9) academic hours per semester and be enrolled or intend to be enrolled in at least nine (9) academic hours for the upcoming semester.
- Unless there is a major change in the student's ability to pay, the scholarship will be renewed as long as all other criteria are met this includes continuing to live a Catholic life.

To request an application, contact your Parish

Submit Applications to:	Simon Scholarship
	P.O. Box 104900
	Jefferson City, MO 65110-4900

The William H. (Bill) Simon Scholarship Application

Please print in ink. Attach a copy of you current Student Aid Report and letters of recommendation from a school official and a parish priest. Send completed application to:

Simon Scholarship P.O. Box 104900 Jefferson City, MO 65110-4900

1) Applicant's Name	Date/
Address	Phone ()
City	State ZIP
2) Member of	Parish since/
Confirmed/ at	Church.

3) List Catholic activities/services that you have participated in during the past four years.

Activity	Date(s)	Description

4) I will/have graduate(d)from ______High School

on ____/ ___ or I completed my GED on ____/___.

5) List, in order of preference, the colleges/universities to which you have applied.

College/University	Address	Accepted? (Y/N)	Plan to attend? (Y/N)
6) Parent or Guardian's Name(s)			•
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City	State 2	ZIP	_
7) State any conditions involving exconsideration (i.e. 4 in college, deceretc.).	1 I I		

8) List other sources of financial aid (grants, scholarships, state aid, etc.) for which you have applied or received.

Award Name	Estimated Amount	Awarded? (Y/N)	Pending? (Y/N)

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9) **Career/Educational Objective:** Describe briefly why you want to attend college. What personal

Receipt Date ____/___
Priest Recommendation _____

 Nine-month EFC ______
 School Recommendation ______

 Committee Reviewed ______ Approval _____ Reason for Decline _____