

Hall Fund Scholarships: An Investment in the Future

The Hall Education Fund assists New Brunswick youth in achieving their dream of obtaining a higher education. Our scholarship recipients are aspiring teachers, nurses, engineers, chefs, and businesspeople. Hall Fund scholarships have helped them to enroll in universities, colleges, community colleges, and trade schools in order to pursue their ambitions.

The words of some of our recent recipients speak volumes about the importance of the Hall Fund scholarships:

"I am truly grateful for the help that you are providing me. This scholarship will help me to pursue my education and become a nurse. I believe that nursing is my calling, and I hope to care for other people in order to give back to those who helped me along the way."

"Thank you from the bottom of my heart. This scholarship has given me the opportunity to attend college and follow my dream of becoming an English teacher. I will try to help others, just as the Hall Fund has helped me. You have invested in me and I will try my hardest to pass on the opportunity that you have given me to others."

Higher education is expensive. Hall Fund Scholarships are more vital than ever. Please consider making a donation to this worthy endeavor. Although higher education is expensive, it is an investment in our future that pays tremendous dividends – not only to our scholarship recipients, but to us all.

The Hall Education Fund, Inc.

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Contributions may be made to:

The Hall Education Fund, Inc.

9 Bayard Street

New Brunswick, NJ 08901

The Hall Education Fund, Inc.

of New Brunswick, New Jersey



OUR MISSION:

To provide scholarship funds to nurture and enhance the educational opportunities and goals of students with demonstrated financial need who are residents of New Brunswick, New Jersey.

THE HALL EDUCATION FUND

THE HALL EDUCATION FUND originated in 1801, when New Brunswick resident William Hall, who had experienced dire poverty as a boy in England, left money in his will to establish a trust fund "for educating poor children in the city of New Brunswick." Public schools did not yet exist at that time. Children of wealthy parents were educated in private schools, but poor children usually had no access to formal education.

In 1808 the New Jersey Legislature passed a statute chartering the Corporation of the Relief of Poor Children in the City of New Brunswick, and appointing John Neilson and Moses Guest of the Presbyterian Church, James Schureman and Staats Van Deusen of the Reformed Church, and Robert Boggs and William Deare of Christ Episcopal Church as trustees of this corporation. The statute provided for future trustees to be selected by the governing bodies of the three churches.

In 1814, the Trustees of the Hall Fund opened New Brunswick's first public school, the Lancastrian School. More than 140 students enrolled in the new school. In the Lancastrian system of education, the school's principal taught the highest class, and the brightest students in each class taught students in the grade below.

Taxpayer-supported public schools were opened in New Brunswick in the 1850s, and the Lancastrian School closed in 1892. The pastors and members of the three churches continued to use the corporation's funds to support the education of children from the three congregations.

In 2001, to respond to the growing need for scholarship assistance for New Brunswick's students, and to commemorate of the Fund's 200th Anniversary, the Trustees incorporated themselves as a non-profit charitable organization, The Hall Education Fund, Inc. The Hall Fund's Board of Trustees comprises the pastors of the three churches and three lay trustees from each of the three parishes.

The Fund's endowment has grown to a value of over \$150,000, and its interest and dividend income is distributed to New Brunswick students in the form of scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$3,000. As the Fund grows, so will the scholarships. The Hall Education Fund, Inc., is an IRS approved 501(c)(3) not-for-profit educational corporation. All corporate and individual gifts to the Hall Fund are fully tax deductible.

Hall Fund scholarships are awarded to students whose ability to afford post-secondary education is limited. Students interested in applying for scholarship assistance are encouraged to contact the Hall Fund or their guidance counselor for more information.

Criteria for Hall Fund scholarships:

- resident of New Brunswick
- demonstrated financial need
- clear post-secondary educational goals
- demonstrated academic promise
- completed application forms and essays
- an interview with the Trustees

The Hall Fund invites you to support the aspirations of New Brunswick's youth by contributing any amount to:

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New Brunswick, NJ 08901

Contributions to the Hall Education Fund, Inc. are tax-deductible.

YES, I want to support the post-secondary education of New Brunswick's youth.

I wish to become a:

- Benefactor (\$5,000 or more) Sponsor (\$300 to match the founder's gift)
- Patron (\$2,500 or more) Supporter (\$100 or more)
- Educator (\$1,000 or more) Donor (gift of \$50 or more)
- Advocate (\$500 or more) Other _____

My gift of \$_____ is enclosed, to be added to the Hall Education Fund endowment.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ Cell _____

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