



Making the Turn Against Parkinson's 2019 Scholarship Award

OVERVIEW

A \$5,000 non-renewable scholarship will be awarded to the selected candidate deemed by the Scholarship Committee to have shown the greatest effort and creativity in achieving the objectives of raising awareness and developing a greater understanding of what it means to live with Parkinson's disease. Additional honorable mention scholarships *may* be awarded at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee.

DATES AND DEADLINES

- **October 1, 2018** - 2018 Scholarship application and award requirements posted.
- **March 1, 2019** - All required documents and submissions are due no later than this date.
- **May 15, 2019** - All candidates will be notified of the Scholarship Committee's decision by this date.

ELIGIBILITY

- Michigan residents only.
- Relative of a patient (living or deceased) diagnosed with Parkinson's disease.
- Currently enrolled, or accepted to an institution of higher learning.
- Past recipients of the top scholarship award are not be eligible.
- Relatives of Making the Turn Against Parkinson's officers, board of directors, and committee members are not eligible for the scholarship award.

ORIGINAL CREATIVE WORK REQUIREMENT

- Candidates must submit an original creative work of their own making that evokes an emotional response about Parkinson's disease. Grief, anger, laughter, or confusion, it does not matter which emotion, only that your original work draws an emotional response from its audience.
- Candidates may choose the message they wish to convey, and the medium in which they wish to deliver it. Examples include, but are not limited to:

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| • Essay | • Photograph | • Drawing |
| • Short Story | • Slide Show | • Cartoon |
| • Poem | • PowerPoint | • Painting |
| • Song | • Multi Media | • Sculpture |
| • Stage Play | • Video | • Choreographed Dance |
| • Screenplay | • Short Film | • Etc. |

WRITTEN EXPLANATION REQUIREMENT

- Your original work must be accompanied by a written explanation describing your inspiration for the submission and answers to the following questions:
 - What was your inspiration for the work you submitted?
 - What emotional response is your original work intended to draw from its audience?
 - Why did you choose this particular emotion?
 - How have you been personally impacted by Parkinson's disease?

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR SUBMISSION

- Completed Making the Turn Against Parkinson's scholarship application.
- Confirmation of relative's Parkinson's disease diagnosis (submit 1 of the following):
 - Written statement from primary care doctor or neurologist on letterhead or prescription pad.
 - Copy of an obituary containing a statement that the deceased was afflicted with Parkinson's.
 - Other proof submitted and approved by the Scholarship Committee prior to March 1, 2019.
- Photograph of the candidate with their relative diagnosed with Parkinson's.
- Current college transcript - OR - most recent high school transcript - AND - college acceptance letter.
- Copy of candidate's Michigan Driver's license.
- A copy, screenshot, photograph of, or link to your original creative work.
- Written explanation describing the inspiration for your original creative work and responses to the questions posed by the Scholarship Committee.
- Any other documentation requested by the Scholarship Committee.

PLEASE NOTE: Failure to provide any of the required documents will result in removal of your submission from consideration for the scholarship award.

EVALUATION AND AWARD CRITERIA

- Each submission will be graded against a rubric established by the Scholarship Committee.
- Scholarship award recipient must agree to the following:
 - Pose for pictures during the check presentation.
 - Sign a release allowing Making the Turn to use candidate's submission, social media posts, pictures, and video on its website, social media, and other promotional materials.
 - Accept a check made out directly to an institution of higher learning.