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Jewish Guild for the Blind	GuildScholar Program 12-15 scholarships	\$15,000 each	July 1 (at the end of the junior year)	For college bound students who are legally blind. Applications will be accepted from students at the start of their senior year. Proof of legal blindness, Proof of US citizenship, Copies of school transcripts and copies of SAT and/or ACT results, Three letters of recommendation, and a personal statement.	The application is an online process. www.jgb.org/guildscholar.asp 212-769-7801
Lighthouse International	Four categories: College-bound: high school seniors or recent graduates, Undergraduate I: anytime during undergraduate studies, Undergraduate II: pursuing studies after a ten year or longer absence and the Graduate award: graduates or seniors prior to or during course of study.	Each carries a \$5,000 prize	March 31	Legal blindness and registered with their State Commission for the Blind and US citizen. Completed application, personal essay summarizing academic achievement and career goals, certification of legal blindness, documentation of academic record (transcripts), acceptance letter from the school, and two letters of recommendation, one academic and one personal.	Must show evidence of enrollment or acceptance in an appropriate degree program for the following academic year before receiving the award. Must reside and attend school in CT, DE, MA, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VA, VT, or Wash DC.
American Foundation for the Blind	The Delta Gamma Foundation Florence Margaret Harvey Memorial Scholarship: to an undergraduate or graduate student who is legally blind, of good character, has exhibited academic excellence, and is studying in the field of rehabilitation and/or education of persons who are blind or visually impaired.	\$1,000	April 30	Proof of legal blindness, US citizenship. Completed application, an essay describing educational and personal goals, work experience, extra-curricular activities, and a statement about how the scholarship award will be used. Proof of acceptance to the university and three letters of recommendation.	



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American Foundation for the Blind	The Ferdinand Torres Scholarship provides one grant to a full-time post-secondary student who is legally blind and who presents evidence of economic need.	\$1,500	April 30	Evidence of legal blindness. Official transcripts and proof of acceptance to a post-secondary program. Three letters of recommendation. A typewritten statement describing educational and personal goals, work experience, extra-curricular activities, and how scholarship monies will be used. Proof of residence in the United States (e.g., telephone bill, lease, utility bill). Proof of residence in the US (telephone bill, lease, utility bill, etc.) New immigrants should include a description of their country of origin and their reason for coming to the US. Evidence of economic need.	To be eligible the applicant must reside in the United States, but need not be a citizen of the United States. Preference will be given to applicants residing in the New York City metropolitan area and new immigrants to the United States.
American Foundation for the Blind	The Karen D. Carsel Memorial Scholarship provides one grant to a full-time graduate student who is legally blind and who presents evidence of economic need.	\$500	April 30	The applicant must be a United States citizen. Evidence of legal blindness. Official transcripts and proof of acceptance to a full-time graduate program. Three letters of recommendation. A typewritten statement describing educational and personal goals, work experience, extra-curricular activities, and how scholarship monies will be used. Evidence of economic need.	
American Foundation for the Blind	The R. L. Gillette Scholarship offers two (2) scholarships to women who are legally blind and enrolled in a four-year undergraduate degree program in literature or music.	\$1,000 to each person	April 30	The applicant must be a United States citizen. Evidence of legal blindness. Official transcripts. Proof of acceptance at a college or university. Three letters of recommendation. Three letters of recommendation. A typewritten statement describing educational and personal goals, work experience, extra-curricular activities, and how scholarship monies will be used.	*A performance tape not to exceed 30 minutes, or a creative writing sample is required.



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American Foundation for the Blind	The Rudolph Dillman Memorial Scholarship provides four (4) grants to undergraduate and graduate students who are legally blind and studying in the field of rehabilitation and/or education of persons who are blind or visually impaired. One of these grants is for a student who meets all requirements and submits evidence of economic need.	\$2,500 to each person	April 30	Evidence of legal blindness. Official transcripts and proof of acceptance in an accredited graduate or undergraduate training program in the field of rehabilitation and/or education of persons who are blind or visually impaired. Three letters of recommendation. A typewritten statement describing educational and personal goals, work experience, extra-curricular activities, and how scholarship monies will be used.	Evidence of economic need, if applicable. The applicant must be a United States citizen studying in the United States.
National Federation of the Blind Scholarship Program	Kenneth Jernigan Scholarship. Given by the American Action Fund for Blind Children and Adults, a nonprofit organization which works to assist blind people, in memory of the man who changed perceptions regarding the capabilities of the blind in this country and throughout the world.	\$12,000	March 31	All applicants for these scholarships must be (1) legally blind and (2) pursuing or planning to pursue a full-time postsecondary course of study in the fall semester of 2004, in the United States. Personal Letter from Applicant. NFB scholarships are awarded on the basis of scholastic excellence, financial need, and community service. Two letters of recommendation. Current transcript from institution now attending and transcripts from all other post-secondary institutions attended. If you have not yet attended such an institution or have not completed one year of study, send high school transcript. Letter from a Federation state president or designee. Score Reports (for high school seniors only).	No additional restrictions.



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National Federation of the Blind Scholarship Program	Melva T. Owen Memorial Scholarship. Given in memory of Melva T. Owen, who was widely known and loved among the blind.	\$10,000	March 31	Same for the entire NFB Scholarship Program.	"There shall be no limitation as to field of study, except that it shall be directed towards attaining financial independence and shall exclude religion and those seeking only to further general or cultural education."
National Federation of the Blind Scholarship Program	<u>Two</u> National Federation of the Blind Scholarships	Each for \$7,000	March 31	Same for the entire NFB Scholarship Program.	No additional restrictions.
National Federation of the Blind Scholarship Program	Hank LeBonne Scholarship.	\$5,000	March 31	Same for the entire NFB Scholarship Program.	No restrictions.
National Federation of the Blind Scholarship Program	Jennica Ferguson Memorial Scholarship.	\$5,000	March 31	Same for the entire NFB Scholarship Program.	No restrictions.
National Federation of the Blind Scholarship Program	Michael and Marie Marucci Scholarship.	\$5,000	March 31	Same for the entire NFB Scholarship Program. The winner of this scholarship must be studying a foreign language or comparative literature; pursuing a degree in history, geography, or political science with a concentration in international studies; or majoring in any other discipline requiring study abroad.	The winner's file must also show evidence of competence in a foreign language.



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National Federation of the Blind Scholarship Program	Sally S. Jacobsen Scholarship	\$5,000	March 31	Same for the entire NFB Scholarship Program.	Study of education (education of disabled youth preferred)
National Federation of the Blind Scholarship Program	Hermione Grant Calhoun Scholarship	\$3,000	March 31	Same for the entire NFB Scholarship Program. <u>Winner must be a woman.</u>	
National Federation of the Blind Scholarship Program	Kuchler-Killian Memorial Scholarship	\$3,000	March 31	Same for the entire NFB Scholarship Program.	No restrictions
National Federation of the Blind Scholarship Program	E. U. Parker Scholarship	\$3,000	March 31	Same for the entire NFB Scholarship Program.	No restrictions
National Federation of the Blind Scholarship Program	Howard Brown Rickard Scholarship	\$3,000	March 31	Same for the entire NFB Scholarship Program. Winner must be studying or planning to study in the fields of law, medicine, engineering, architecture, or the natural sciences.	
National Federation of the Blind Scholarship Program	National Federation of the Blind Computer Science Scholarship	\$3,000	March 31	Same for the entire NFB Scholarship Program. Winner must be studying in the computer science field.	
National Federation of the Blind Scholarship Program	National Federation of the Blind Educator of Tomorrow Award	\$3,000	March 31	Same for the entire NFB Scholarship Program. Winner must be planning a career in elementary, secondary, or postsecondary teaching.	



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National Federation of the Blind Scholarship Program	<u>Sixteen</u> National Federation of the Blind Scholarships	\$3,000	March 31	Same for the entire NFB Scholarship Program. No further restrictions, except that one may be given to a candidate working full-time who is attending or planning to attend a part-time course of study which will result in a new degree and broader opportunities in present or future work.	
John Milton Society for the Blind Scholarship Program	The International Scholarship Program is administered through two U.S. schools for the blind, Overbrook School for the Blind in Philadelphia, PA and Perkins School for the Blind in Watertown, MA.	**		Candidates must be between the ages of 16 and 21, be blind or partially sighted, and be in good academic standing. The Perkins candidates must be employed and have at least two years experience at an agency providing services to a blind, multi-impaired or deaf-blind population; have adequate knowledge of written and spoken English; and have earned a document qualifying them to work with a blind, multi-impaired population within their home country.	**These are scholarship-training programs; there is no dollar amount.
John Milton Society for the Blind Scholarship Program	The John Milton Society's New York Scholarships *The New York State Commission for the Blind and Visually Handicapped (CBVH)	\$1,000 - \$3,000		Candidates must be legally blind or visually impaired; be in good academic standing; and either be from New York, or planning to attend a college or university in the New York area.	CBVH will help locate the appropriate colleges, universities, or training programs. *Each year CBVH recommends their most promising students to receive the John Milton Society's New York Scholarships



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Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic	The Mary P. Oenslager Scholastic Achievement Awards	\$1,000 - \$6,000	February 21	Be legally blind. Be registered individually, or through a school, with RFB&D for at least one year prior to application. Have received, or will receive, a bachelor's degree from an accredited four-year college or university in the US or its territories (applicants need not plan to continue their educations further). Have an overall academic average for their undergraduate years of 3.0 or more on a 4.0 scale (or the equivalent, if an alternative grading system is used). Provide evidence of leadership, enterprise and service to others.	Three top winners will receive \$6,000 each; three Special Honors winners will receive \$3,000 each; and three Honors winners will receive \$1,000 each. 609-452-0606 http://www.rfbd.org
Association for Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired	William & Dorothy Ferrell Scholarship (awarded to two selected applicants)	\$500	April 15	Applicants must be legally blind and studying for a career in the field of services to persons who are blind or visually impaired. Must be studying at the post-secondary level. An autobiographical sketch not to exceed three typed pages, double-spaced, including a statement about vocational goals. Please indicate whether you wish to work with children, adults or elderly persons who are blind or visually impaired and any other details about your objectives, which you feel are significant.	http://www.aerbvi.org



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Blinded Veterans Association	Renee Feldman Scholarships The Blinded Veterans Association Auxiliary (BVAA)	\$1,000 - \$2,000	April	The scholarships are limited to spouses and dependent children of blinded veterans, but the blinded veteran in question is not required to be a BVA member. To be eligible for a Feldman scholarship, the applicant must have been accepted at the school of his/her choice. The institution in question may be a vocational school, community college, college, or university. The application process for the scholarships includes supplying information about previous academic achievement, present goals and plans, a 300-word essay, and letters of reference.	The fees in all cases are paid directly to the school and are intended to defray the cost of tuition, books, and general fees. Four \$2,000 and two \$1,000 scholarships are awarded. www.bva.org
American Council of the Blind	National Scholarship Program 30 scholarships are awarded	\$500 - \$2,500	March	All legally blind students admitted to academic and vocational training programs at the post-secondary level are eligible. A cumulative grade point average of 3.3 is generally required. The awards are based on academic excellence, community interaction and leadership qualities.	Leading candidates are interviewed by phone. Scholarships are presented at the ACB annual convention. ACB covers the cost of attending. ACB also administers scholarship programs for its affiliates in Colorado, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts and Oregon.



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Freedom Scientific, Inc.	Freedom Scientific Technology Award Program 50 awards	\$1,500 - \$2,500 in vouchers for the company products	March	Applicants must be US citizens or Canadian residents, who are legally blind and planning to pursue a full-time course of study at either the college/university or graduate school level. Winners are selected by the partnering organizations based on academic achievement, extracurricular or community service leaderships and demonstrated personal qualities.	This program is implemented through a partnership with ACB, AFB, Braille Institute of America, Canadian National Institute for the Blind, NFB and Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic.
American Council of the Blind * State Affiliates	State Affiliate Scholarships	\$500 - \$2,000	Varies by affiliate chapter	Certification of legal blindness is required. Generally open to students pursuing a post-secondary education in a college, trade or mechanical program. The awards are based on academic excellence, community interaction, work experience and leadership qualities.	Must reside in the state of the affiliate chapter.
The Foundation for Exceptional Children	The Foundation for Exceptional Children Scholarships 8 Awards	\$500	February 1	Acceptance to any two-year or four-year accredited institution, or vocational training program. Completed scholarship application form. Transcript(s) of academic records for Grades 9-12, as well as for any postsecondary study. Three letters of recommendation. Goals statement (250 words or less). Statement verifying disability from physician or school counselor/administrator.	http://yesican.sped.org/scholarship/index.html



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VSA arts	The VSA arts Young Soloists Award		November 1	Annually recognizes outstanding young musicians with disabilities, ages 25 and under, who have exhibited exceptional talents as vocalists or instrumentalists. Completed application form. One-page narrative including biographical information and the reasons why the applicant feels he/she should be selected as the recipient. Recording (audio, video, CD, or DVD) presenting three (3) musical selections.	Each year, a committee of music professionals selects four award recipients to receive scholarship funds and the opportunity to perform at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.
The George Washington University	Barbara Jackman Zuckert Scholarship for Blind Part-time Students		May 30	Students with print disabilities who are enrolled, in good standing, or who have been accepted for admission at The George Washington University are eligible to apply. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents and must demonstrate that no other resources are available to address their particular needs. Although financial need will be the most strongly considered factor in selecting a recipient, it may not be the sole deciding factor. Scholastic excellence, opportunity for career advancement, or other notable circumstances may be considered. Applicants must submit a complete application (including a financial aid statement), a letter of application, certification of disability, and a high school or college transcript.	Disability Support Services George Washington University 800 21st St., NW Washington, D.C. 20052 Telephone: 202-994-8250 Web site: http://gwired.gwu.edu/dss/ApplytoGW/#7



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Fordham University Law School	Amy Reiss Blind Student Scholarship			Students who are blind and are interested in pursuing a Juris Doctor degree.	Fordham University School of Law Financial Aid Office 33 West 60th Street 9th Floor New York, NY 10023 212.636.6815 Fax: 212.636.6018 financialaid@law.fordham.edu
Friends-in-Art	Friends-in-Art Scholarship To provide financial assistance to blind students who are majoring or planning to major in fields related to the arts. 1 award per year	\$1,000	April	This program is open to blind and visually impaired high school seniors and college students who are majoring or planning to major in music, art, drama, or creative writing. Required submissions are a recording of 2 contrasting pieces for music students; 10 slides of their work for art students; a recording of 1 dramatic and 1 comic scene for drama students; and a varied selection of their writing for creative writing students.	Friends-in-Art c/o Harvey Miller 402 East French Broad Street Brevard, NC 28712-3410 828-862-3412 hhmiller@citicom.net
Blinded Veterans Association	Kathern F. Gruber Scholarship Program Sixteen scholarships are awarded	\$1,000 - \$2,000	April	The scholarships are limited to spouses and dependent children of blinded veterans, but the blinded veteran in question is not required to be a BVA member. Scholarships are awarded on a "most highly qualified" basis as determined by a BVA scholarship committee.	Eight scholarships of \$2,000 each as well as eight scholarships of \$1,000 each http://www.bva.org



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The Ohio State University	The Ohio Lions Foundation/Helen Keller Scholarship	\$2750	March	Complete application form, include a copy of college transcript, and a one to two page essay on “Your career goals and how you plan to reach them.” Eligible students must be residents of the state of Ohio and must be legally blind.	Leah Monaghan, Scholarship Coordinator Office for Disability Services 150 Pomerene Hall 1760 Neil Avenue Columbus, OH 43210-1297
The Association of Blind Citizens	The Reggie Johnson Memorial Scholarship 15 scholarships	\$1,000 - \$3,000	April 15	Provide a 300 to 500 word autobiographical sketch of yourself. Please include how the scholarship award would help you achieve your goal to attend college or a recognized vocational program. A high school or college transcript. A certificate of legal blindness or a letter from your ophthalmologist. Two letters of reference. One will be valued at \$3000 and three \$2000 scholarships and an additional eleven \$1000 scholarships will be available. The scholarship may be applied to tuition, living expenses or related expenses resulting from vision impairment.	The Association of Blind Citizens PO Box 246 Holbrook, MA 02343 781-961-1023 scholarship@blindcitizens.org www.blindcitizens.org/abc_scholarship.html



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The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars	Scholarship Program for College Students with Disabilities 50 scholarships	\$7,430	June 14	Be enrolled full-time in an accredited college or university. Be at least a second semester sophomore at the time of the internship. Have at least a 2.75 GPA. Be a U.S. Citizen. Self-identify as a person with a disability as defined by the American with Disabilities Act (ADA). ADA defines a person with a disability as: a person with a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities, a person that has a record of such impairment, or a person that is regarded as having such impairment. Application materials should include: official transcript, three letters of recommendation, resume, three writing samples, completed application form, and campus sponsorship agreement.	For students with disabilities interested in working in the executive, judicial or legislative branches of the federal government during the fall 2004 semesters.
The American Action Fund for Blind Children and Adults	The Kenneth Jernigan Scholarship	\$12,000	March 31	Given to a high-achieving blind student. To be eligible, a person must be legally blind and be studying in a full-time course of study toward a specified degree, which can range from an associates to a graduate degree. Criteria are academic excellence, financial need, and service to one's community	



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Ethel Louise Armstrong Foundation, Inc.	ELA Foundation Scholarships	\$500 - \$2,000	June 1	<p>ELA Scholarships are available only to women graduate students with physical disabilities who are enrolled in a college or university in the United States. The student must be a woman with a physical disability. The student must be currently accepted to a graduate program in an accredited college or university in the United States. The student must be active in a local, state, or national disability organization - either in person or electronically - which is providing services and/or advocacy for people with disabilities. The student must be willing to update ELA with an annual letter on September 1 of each year on her progress in her academic and working career. A completed ELA Verification of Disability form filled out and signed by your Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor or physician. An essay in 1,000 words or less, typewritten in 16-point font or larger and doubled spaced explaining, "How I Will Change the Face of Disability on the Planet." Two typed letters of recommendation from current teachers, faculty members or employers on their letterhead regarding your scholastic aptitude, leadership abilities and personal qualifications</p>	An unofficial copy of the college/university transcript reflecting your most recent college or university academic year.



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The Council of Citizens With Low Vision International	Fred Scheigert Scholarship *The Carl Foley Graduate Scholarship Program Four Scholarships	\$3,000	March 1st	<p>Available to full-time college students with low vision. Scholarships are offered to visually impaired students with a vision range from Low Vision (20/70 in the better eye with best possible correction, or a field restricted to no greater than 30 degrees), to those who, in spite of a more significant vision or field restriction, are still able to benefit from the use of low vision devices to perform daily visual tasks.</p> <p>Applicants must provide a statement from an ophthalmologist indicating that the applicant’s visual acuity is no better than 20/70 in the better eye with best possible correction, or is limited to a field of 30 degrees.</p> <p>Applicants must be either freshman who have been accepted to a university of their choosing, or continuing students in good standing. Prospective freshmen students, as well as those choosing to attend another university in the fall, MUST provide acceptance letters from the university of their choosing. Applicants must have maintained a Grade Point Average of at least 3.0 (“B”) on a scale where 4.0 (“A”) is the highest attainable GPA.</p>	<p>*The Carl Foley Graduate Scholarship Program is for graduate students attending one of several colleges and universities, which offer a degree in the field of low vision. Applicants need not be visually impaired. Application is made through the school directly.</p> <p>1400 North Drake Road, #218 Kalamazoo, MI 49007 Phone: 616-381-9566 or 1-800-733-2258 URL: http://www.cclvi.org</p>



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Twitty-Milsap-Sterban Foundation	Twitty-Milsap-Sterban Foundation Scholarships	Varies Renewable	June 1 - Sept 1	Any student who is blind and enrolled in a four-year college or graduate school program is eligible to apply.	600 Renaissance Center, Suite 1300 PO Box 43517 Detroit, MI 48243 Phone: 313-567-1920
Wisconsin Council of the Blind	Lloyd P. Foote Scholarship Fund 7 scholarships	\$1,000	Fall	Eligibility: Applicants must be from the state of Wisconsin, be legally blind, have completed at least one year carrying a full academic load, and have an accumulated grade point of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale	
Christian Record Services	Ann Lowe Memorial Scholarships Fifteen scholarships	\$500 each, payable in installments of \$250 per semester.	March	Scholarships in all areas of study for undergraduate students who are legally blind. Applications for tuition scholarships are accepted between November 1 of the present year and April 1 of the following year for assistance the next fall term. For example, if tuition assistance is desired for the school year 2006-2007, the application should be received in our office between November 1, 2005, and April 1, 2006. The committee will meet soon after the application deadline of April 1 to determine which applicants qualify for a scholarship for the coming school year. You will receive a letter informing you of the committee's decision by June.	4444 South 52 nd St Lincoln, NE 68516 402-488-0981 www.christianrecord.org



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Foundation For Exceptional Children	Yes I Can! Stanley E. Jackson Scholarship Awards Sara Conlon Memorial Scholarship Award	\$500.00	Feb.	Scholarships for incoming freshman who are disabled. Applicants must be anticipating enrollment for the FIRST TIME in full-time, post-secondary education or training and provide evidence of financial need for SEJ. Different recipients will be selected for each award category. No person will receive more than one award, and past recipients are ineligible for current or future awards. You may only apply for ONE award.	1110 North Glebe Road, Suite 300 Arlington, VA 22201-5704 800-224-6830, ext 462 yesican.sped.org/scholarship/index.html
New Hampshire Charitable Foundation				Scholarships for disabled students who are New Hampshire residents	37 Pleasant Street Concord, NH 03301 603-225-6641 www.nhcf.org
Dominican College at San Rafael				An endowed scholarship for students who are legally blind and are interested in studying music.	Office of Admissions 50 Acacia Ave. San Rafael, CA 94901 www.dominican.edu
George Mason University	The Barry and Velma Berkey Scholarship	\$2,500	May 25	Scholarship for a blind or visually impaired full-time undergraduate student with the intent to major in teaching, social work, music, journalism or nursing. An ophthalmologist certification of visual impairment is required. Applicants must be U.S. citizens.	Disability Resource Center, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030 703-993-2774 apollo.gmu.edu/finaid



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The Florida Council of the Blind scholarships	Consist of awards totaling \$4,500.00, which are offered to outstanding students who are enrolled in academic education or professional training beyond the high school level	Two for \$1,500 One for \$1,000 One for \$500	March 31st	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Applicant must be legally blind. That is, the applicant must have vision in the better eye of no more than 20/200 with corrective lenses or may have vision greater than 20/200 in the better eye but with a restricted field of vision of no more than 20 degrees. 2. Applicant must be a resident of the State of Florida. 3. Applicant must have a high school diploma or a high school equivalency diploma. (High school students who are graduating this term may also apply) 4. Applicant must be enrolled in an accredited college or university or be accepted for enrollment. 5. Applicant must be seeking a college degree. 6. Applicant must have at least a 3.0 grade point average. 7. Applicants who are full-time must carry at least 12 credit hours per semester/quarter to be eligible for the \$1,500.00 award. Those who are part-time must carry a minimum of 6 credit hours per semester/quarter to be eligible for the \$500.00 award. 	<p>A narrative statement regarding vocational objectives and outlook for employment in your chosen field. Please include any awards or scholarships you have received or that are pending. Part-time students must include an explanation for part-time status (e.g., employed student, family responsibilities, etc.).</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Two letters of recommendation 3. Official transcript from school currently or most recently attended. <p>Florida Council of the Blind c/o Nancy Folsom 6500 Montrose Trail Tallahassee, FL 32309</p>
National Federation of the Blind of Washington	Hazel tenBroek Merit Scholarship Beverly Prows Memorial Scholarship	\$2,000 \$3,000		Hazel tenBroek Merit Scholarship: Awarded to a legally blind state resident pursuing a full-time college or graduate course of study. Beverly Prows Memorial Scholarship: Awarded to a legally blind state resident pursuing a full-time college or graduate school course of study.	



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National Association for Parents of the Visually Impaired, Inc. (NAPVI)	NAPVI Scholarship	\$500	.	Grants are available for visually impaired students who are entering college, visually impaired gifted children in a special program, and multi-handicapped visually impaired children in special programs or needing special equipment	PO Box 317 Watertown, MA 02272 Phone: 1-800-562-6265
Opportunities for the Blind, Inc.	Opportunities for the Blind Grants This is a one time award. The number varies from year to year.	\$3,000 to \$10,000	February, May, August or October of each year	To provide funding for blind people interested in improving their employment situation. This program is open to legally blind US citizens. Applicants must be seeking funding from the following categories: scholarships, job-related service, or self-employment projects. Preference is given to applicants who are preparing for careers in fields where the blind are not typically found.	Opportunities for the Blind, Inc. Attn: Grants Committee PO Box 98 Fairplay, MD 21733 240-420-6500 :oppblind@yahoo.com http://www.oppblind.org
President's Committee On Employment of People with Disabilities	ELA Scholarship Nike Scholarship Nordstrom Scholarship	\$2,000 \$2,500 \$2,000	Deadline is January 14	ELA Scholarship \$2,000: Awarded to female graduate blind students who have been accepted in an accredited college or university graduate program. Grant is made payable to the institution Nike Scholarship \$2,500: Awarded to a high school senior or undergraduate blind student who has been accepted in an accredited college or university program. Grant is made payable to the institution. Nordstrom Scholarship \$2,000: Awarded to a high school senior or undergraduate blind student who has been accepted in an accredited college or university program. Grant is made payable to the institution.	



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United States Association of Blind Athletes (USABA)	Arthur E. Copeland Scholarship for Males Helen Copeland Scholarship for Females	\$500 \$500		Arthur E. Copeland Scholarship for Males: Awarded to members of USABA for two years and have been admitted to an academic, vocational, technical, professional, or certification program at the post-secondary level. Helen Copeland Scholarship for Females: Awarded to members of USABA for two years and have been admitted to an academic, vocational, technical, professional, or certification program at the post-secondary level.	33 North Institute Street Brown Hall, Suite 015 Colorado Springs, CO 80903 719-630-0422
Visually Impaired Data Processors International	Kelly Cannon Memorial Scholarship	Amount varies		Awarded to high school seniors and undergraduates who are interested in majoring in computer science or computer programming.	C/o Janis Olsen Summit Bank Building 310 4th Avenue South, Suite 822 Minneapolis, MN 55415
Washington State Department of Services for the Blind	Shirley A. Smith Scholarship	Grants awarded in amounts not to exceed \$1,500		To be considered, applicant must be a legal resident of Washington State, eligible for vocational rehabilitation services with DSB, and a high school senior who will graduate the year that the scholarship application is submitted.	Child and Family Program Scholarship Program 3411 South Alaska Way Seattle, WA 98118 Phone 206-721-4422 or 1-800-552-7103
Association For The Education and Rehabilitation of The Blind and Visually Impaired of Ohio	The David H. Newmeyer Post-Secondary Scholarship for Visually Impaired Students	\$500		This is a \$500 scholarship for qualified visually impaired students who wish to better themselves by enrolling in academic, vocational, or technical training programs at the post-secondary level. Must be an Ohio resident (1 full year prior to application) Must be "Visually Impaired" (legal definition) Must complete application and the required supporting documents	Mail applications to Mrs. Jan Jasko 7012 Beresford Ave., Parma Hts Oh. 44130-5050



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The Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc.				The Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc., offers scholarships to students who are blind or visually impaired and plan to study Judaica.	The Jewish Braille Institute of America, Inc. 110 East 30th Street New York, NY 10016 Telephone: 212-889-2525 http://www.jbilibrary.org
Guild for the Blind	<u>Joan P. Hussey William F. Lynch Scholarship Fund</u> <u>Richard A. Perritt Scholarship Fund</u>			To be eligible, students must: Be enrolled in an Illinois grade school or high school; have been diagnosed by a medical doctor with a visual impairment that requires accommodations within their school environment; and have a family experiencing financial limitations.	For more information, please contact Kerry Obrist at the Guild for the Blind at (312) 236-8569 or kerry@guildfortheblind.org
National Federation of Music Clubs	NFMC Music for the Blind Composition Awards (2 awards) NFMC Music for the Blind Performance Awards (8 awards)	\$150-- \$250	February March	Blind composer members of NFMC ages 10-30 Blind instrumentalist or vocalist members of NFMC under age 19 who are U.S. citizens	National Federation of Music Clubs 1336 North Delaware S Indianapolis, IN 46202-2481 317-638-4003
South Dakota Board of Regents	South Dakota Free Tuition and Fees for Visually Impaired Persons	exemption from tuition			South Dakota Board of Regents, Scholarship Committee 207 East Capitol Ave Pierre, SD 57501-3159 (605) 773-3455



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National Tour Foundation	Yellow Ribbon Scholarship			Limited to students with physical and/or sensory disabilities who are planning a career in the travel and tourism industry	National Tour Foundation 546 East Main Street Lexington, KY 40508 800-682-8886
The Bank of America	The Bank of America Abilities Scholarship Program	Up to \$5,000 annually	April 1	Applicants must be high school seniors, high school graduates or full time students attending an accredited undergraduate college or university, and under the age of 40. Applicants must provide written documentation that they meet the definition of Disabled as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Applicants must plan on earning a degree or certificate in Finance, Business or Computer Systems AND plan on a career with a banking institution.	PO Box 1465 Taylor, SC 29687 Phone: 864-268-3363 Fax: 864-268-7160
CAPED— California Association on Postsecondary Education and Disability	CAPED offers eight different scholarships	Up to \$1,500		For students with disabilities attending a California institution of higher education.	Terry Stark, CAPED 71423 Biskra Road Rancho Mirage, CA 92270 V: 760-346-8206 T: 760-341-4084 Fax: 760-340-5275 Caped2000@aol.com http://www.caped.net



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Louise C. Nacca Memorial for Educational Aid for the Handicapped Trust	Louise Nacca Memorial Trust			One-time award available to student who has a visual, hearing or physical impairment. May be used at any post-secondary institution. Must be a U.S. citizen. Must demonstrate financial need. Applicant must be enrolled full or part-time at a two-year or four-year or technical institution or university. Applicant must be hearing impaired, physically disabled, or visually impaired. Restricted to U.S. citizens	Louise C. Nacca Memorial for Education Aid for the Handicapped Trust c/o First Union National Bank 190 River Road NJ3132 Summit, NJ 07901 908-598-3582 Fax: 908-598-3583
Texas Tuition Exemption for Blind/Deaf Students	Texas Tuition Exemption for Blind/Deaf Students	Tuition exemption		Renewable award aids certain blind or deaf students by exempting them from payment of tuition and fees at public colleges or universities in Texas. Must be a resident of Texas.	Under Texas Education Code Section 54.205, students who are certified as blind and are a Texas resident are entitled to have tuition, required fees and the general property deposit exempted. Contact the Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services, Services for the Blind division for information about how to secure certification



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Minnesota Tuition Exemption for Blind/Deaf Students	Tuition Waiver/Assistance for Blind or Deaf Students	Tuition exemption		To receive a full tuition waiver as a blind student, you are not required to be in a certificate or degree program, a common criteria in other financial aid programs. You are eligible for a full tuition waiver if you are a legally blind Minnesota resident. Your vision must be no better than 20/200 or 20 degrees of visual field in the better eye for a full tuition waiver. Periodic exams will be required if blindness is temporary.	
Northern Arizona University	Emily Marie Benson Memorial Scholarship	\$10,000	March 1	1. Be a U. S. citizen. 2. Be a full-time undergraduate student enrolled at Northern Arizona University. 3. Have a significant medical condition and/or disability . 4. Provide a resume describing his/her personality, activities, awards, special performance and talents, and any other information that the applicant believes to be relevant. 5. Submit a one-page essay describing how he/she is able to see past the barriers of his/her medical condition and how it benefits and inspires them to reach goals and overcome challenges on a daily basis. 6. Submit a one-page letter of recommendation from a teacher who knows him/her very well. The purpose of this letter is to provide information about the person, not their academic background. The letter is to be signed, dated and placed in a sealed envelope and submitted with the scholarship application. 7. Submit a one-page letter from his/her current physician describing the applicant, their attitude toward their medical condition, and the specifics of that condition, along with any other information.	This scholarship will attempt to cover tuition, fees and on-campus housing to the recipient through the provision of an approximately \$10,000 scholarship. Any excess funds will be made available to the student to use for such items as food, books and medical expenses. Preference will be given to an incoming freshman; however, other applicants meeting the aforementioned criteria are encouraged to apply. disability.support@NAU.edu



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California State University Foundation	The Schoettler Scholars Program 20 annual scholarships	\$5,000 each		For legally blind CSU graduate and undergraduate students who have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.8. Students may attend any CSU campus and nominations for the scholarship will be received from financial aid offices.	
blindmicemart.com	Mouse Hole Scholarship Program	Varies	May 5	Applicants must be legally visually impaired or have a parent or parents that are legally visually impaired. They must be a high school graduate or equivalent and be graduating by the summer and not have been previously enrolled solely in any college. If receiving a GED, it must be earned by the summer. The length of the essay will be at least 3 pages and not exceed 15 pages double-spaced. Essays may be submitted for consideration in these ways: A. Electronically sent as attachments by e-mail B. Saved on a CD or 3.5 inch floppy and mailed Submissions sent as an attachment by e-mail or those saved on Cd or 3.5 inch floppy must be in MS Word or text format. Entries received in any other formats except the above mentioned will not be considered. The Information Cover Sheet and a letter of recommendation must accompany each essay.	MouseHole@houston.rr.com Submit Essay, Application, and Recommendation Letter Here! Postal Address for mailing essays: Mouse Hole Scholarships 16810 Pinemoor Way Houston, TX 77058 Contact Phone Number: 713 876 6971
Samara's Scholarship Fund	Samara's Scholarship Fund for the Visually Impaired and Blind			Applicants will be evaluated and may receive assistance with tuition, books, visual aids, housing, transportation, and/or their special needs.	Call Jodi at: 509-886-1055 Call Donna Gills at: 509-884-7924



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American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)	Entry Point!			<p>This is an internship program for college students with disabilities. Offers summer internships and semester co-ops in major companies throughout the United States, including NASA, IBM, NIH, Texas Instruments, J.P. Morgan Chase. New internships are available at the National Institutes of Health (NIH). Open to students with disabilities majoring in life sciences, computer science, engineering, mathematics, and some social science and business fields.</p> <p>1) Be full-time undergraduate or graduate students, 2) Be a Science, Math, Engineering, or Computer Science major (some opportunities available for business majors), 3) Have a B-average GPA, and 4) Be a U.S. citizen.</p>	<p>http://www.entrypoint.org (202) 326-6649</p>
L'Occitane	L'Occitane Summer Fragrance Workshop	Funded workshop	April	<p>Created to introduce young people with vision loss to the perfume profession. One of the goals of the summer workshop is to provide training courses for sense discovery and fragrance design. Students learn to alert their senses to the scents and savors of Provence. Open to students with vision loss, aged 14-16, living in the continental United States, with a parent/guardian willing to chaperone the trip to Provence. Students and chaperones must possess a valid U.S. passport. Application process.</p>	<p>L'Occitane funds all flights and accommodations for participants and their chaperones. Administered by AFB. L'Occitane Summer Fragrance Program American Foundation for the Blind, 11 Penn Plaza, Suite 300, New York, NY 10001. www.afb.org/loccitane-workshop.asp</p>



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Lavelle Fund for the Blind	<p>For students in the NY, NJ, CT Tri-State area Participating colleges: Fordham University, Dominican College St. John's University, St. Thomas Aquinas College and Seton Hall University <i>* Five student stipends will be awarded per college</i></p> <p>Lavelle Fund for the Blind 307 West 38th Street, #2010 New York, NY 10018 212-668-9801</p>	Fund stipends will be awarded on a 'last dollar' of need basis with a maximum of \$15,000 per year for 4 years.	Students will be identified and recruited by the university for the fund.	Before being considered for any Fund stipend support, students must first complete their own college's standard financial aid application process. Students must normally meet three criteria: (1) being a resident of New York, New Jersey, or Connecticut, with preference being given to New York City residents; (2) being certified as legally blind by their home state commission for the blind; and (3) meeting each college's own general criteria for need-based financial aid. All students must have also met each college's general standards for admission. Each participating college will be responsible for: (1) working with the appropriate state commission for the blind to identify all incumbent and newly accepted undergraduates who are legally blind; (2) determining which of these legally blind students qualify as needing some amount of Fund financial support; and (3) determining <u>how much</u> Fund support each student needs annually, for up to four years.	<p>Mr. Brian Fernandes Vice President for Enrollment Manage. Dominican College (845) 848-0807 brian.fernandes@dc.edu</p> <p>Mr. John W. Buckley Assistant Vice Pres. for Undergraduate Enrollment Office of Undergraduate Admission Fordham University (718) 817-3707 jbuckley@fordham.edu</p> <p>Ms. Jackie Lockrie Associate Dean for Student Services St. John's University 8000 Utopia Parkway Jamaica, NY 11439 Phone: (718) 990-6568 Email: lockriej@stjohns.edu</p>



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Lavelle Fund for the Blind					<p>Mr. Vin Crapanzano Dean, Marketing and Enrollment Management St. Thomas Aquinas College 125 Route 340 Sparkhill, NY 10976-1050 Phone: (845) 398-4019 Email: vcrapanz@stac.edu</p> <p>Matthew F. Tominey, PhD Director, Disability Support Services Duffy Hall Room 67 Seton Hall University 400 South Orange Ave. South Orange, NJ 07079 Phone: (973).313.6003 Email: tominema@shu.edu</p>



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Lions Club International				300 West 22nd Street Oak Brook, IL 60521-8842 Phone: 1-800-847-5786	http://www.lionsclubs.org/
Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program	For students traditionally underrepresented	up to \$5,000	April 7th	For U.S. undergraduate students to study abroad for up to one academic year. The program aims to diversify the kinds of student who study abroad and the countries and regions where they go. The program serves students who have been under-represented in study abroad which includes but is not limited to: students with high financial need, community college students, students in under-represented fields such as the sciences and engineering, students from diverse ethnic backgrounds, students attending minority-serving institutions, and students with disabilities. The Gilman Program seeks to assist students from a diverse range and type of two-year and four-year public and private institutions from all 50 states.	Institute of International Education Gilman Scholarship 1800 West Loop South, Suite 250 Houston, TX 77027 gilman@iie.org 713-621-6300, ext 25 Fax: 713.621.0876
University of Georgia	Gregory Charles Johnson Scholarship Margaret Towson Scholarship Lauren Melissa Kelly Award	Variable	Spring	UGA student registered with the Disability Resource Center Georgia Resident 2.5 GPA 30 completed semester hours	Disability Resource Center The University of Georgia 114 Clark Howell Hall Athens, GA 30602-3338



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University of California at Berkeley	Albert Newman Fellowship for Visually Impaired Students			<p>The Albert Newman Fellowship is awarded to substantially visually impaired graduate students. The requirements for this fellowship are the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Applicants must be substantially visually impaired (documented by the Disabled Students Program located at 260 César Chávez Student Center, Voice [510] 642-0518, TTY [510] 642-6376, FAX [510] 643-9686). 2. Award will be based on scholastic achievement. 3. Applicants must be registered for the Fall when they receive the award. 	<p>Applications available at: http://www.grad.berkeley.edu/financial/pdf/newman.pdf Please submit completed application and supporting documents to: Graduate Services: Fellowships, 318 Sproul Hall #5900, Berkeley, CA 94720-5900</p>
Incight Resources for Self-Empowerment	Incight scholarship for all disability groups	\$750	April	<p>Documented disability: can be physical, learning, cognitive, etc. Full time attendance at trade school, college or university Completion of entire application Letter of reference submitted with application (letter can be written by anyone applicant chooses and can be of any length)</p>	<p>Incight Attn: Rob Pollock 310 SW 4th Ave. Suite 530 Portland, OR 97204 scholarship@incight.org</p>



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disABLEDperson Inc.	Scholarship for all disability groups	\$750		<p>You need to be enrolled in a 2 or 4 year accredited college or university in the United States of America and actively taking a minimum of 12 credits to be eligible. Prior to the winner being awarded the scholarship, that individual will have to present to disABLEDperson Inc. an unofficial transcript from their school. If the winner can not demonstrate that they are taking a full time course load in a 2 or 4 year accredited college or university in the United States, then disABLEDperson Inc. will award the scholarship to another student. Students must be citizens of the United States of America and enrolled in a 2 or 4 year accredited college or university in the United States. Please be prepared to demonstrate citizenship if we ask. The winner will have to offer proof of their disability. This can be done simply by the applicant being registered with the Office of Disability at their respective institution and having the Office of Disability sending us an email to that effect. The definition of disability that disABLEDperson Inc. uses for its scholarship competition is; A disadvantage or deficiency, especially a physical or mental impairment that interferes with or prevents normal achievement in a particular area. Something that hinders or incapacitates.</p> <p>The length of the essay must not exceed 1000 words. Essays exceeding that number will be disqualified.</p>	<p>It's a two step process. The first step is to go to: www.disABLEDperson.com/articles/spring08.asp . Once there, you need to completely fill out the form and submit it. The next step is to write an essay that answers the question and email the essay to us in the body of an email to disabledpersons@aol.com.</p>



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Mays Mission for the Handicapped, Inc.	Mays Mission Scholarships Offers scholarships to deserving individuals with physical and/or mental disabilities. The current program supports 7 college students.	Stipend, amount not specified	June 30th	To qualify for a Mission scholarship one must be able to document a significant disability, score of 18 or better on the A.C.T or 870 on S.A.T., be enrolled in a four-year study program (under-graduate only) working toward a baccalaureate degree and provide proof of enrollment. Upon acceptance to our program, recipients agree to provide proof of full-time enrollment each semester, submit grades, maintain a GPA of 2.3 and write an "update letter" providing the Mission with information pertaining to grades, struggles, triumphs, campus life and a general "how are you doing" letter.	Mays Mission for the Handicapped 604 Colonial Dr. Heber Springs, AR 72543 501-362-7526 Toll Free: 888 503-7955 info@maysmission.org www.maysmission.org/schol.html
Delta Gamma Foundation	Ruth Billow Memorial Education Fund To provide financial assistance to members of the Delta Gamma sorority who are visually impaired. Two each year: 1 undergraduate and 1 graduate student	\$1,000 for undergraduates \$2,500 for graduate students	May be submitted at any time.	This program is open to members of the sorority who are either blind or visually impaired or are pursuing professional training in areas related to working with persons who are blind or visually impaired or in sight preservation.	Delta Gamma Foundation 3250 Riverside Drive Columbus, Ohio 43221-0397 614-481-8169 freeman14@comcast.net www.deltagamma.org

