THE CHESTER COUNTY BAR FOUNDATION
Hon. Charles B. Smith Scholarship Award
(Need-based scholarship)

The Chester County Bar Foundation (CCBF) $5,000 Charles E. Swope Scholarship Award provides financial assistance for post-high school education of a student interested in pursuing a career in law or a law related field.

Criteria for Selection
Applicants for the Scholarship Award must demonstrate academic excellence, wide ranging extracurricular activities, leadership, dedicated community service and an interest in and intent to pursue a career in law or a law related field.

Eligibility
The applicant must qualify for one of the three financial need categories on the application form. To be eligible, an applicant must be a citizen of the United States. Also, the applicant must be either a permanent resident of Chester County or enrolled in a high school located in Chester County as a senior. The CCBF Scholarship Committee may consider unique factors identified on the application form in making the Scholarship Award.

Award
The CCBF will provide one (1) $5,000 Scholarship Award. Payment of the scholarship award shall be made directly to the successful applicant’s college or university.

Community Grant
In addition to providing the scholarship award(s), the CCBF will also provide a community grant in the amount of $1,000.00 to one of the below listed non-profit Chester County community organizations selected by each Scholarship Award winner:

- Crime Victims’ Center of Chester County - https://www.cvcofcc.org/
- Domestic Violence Center of Chester County - https://www.dvccc.com/
- Legal Aid of Southeast Pennsylvania - http://lasp.org/
- Family Service of Chester County - https://www.familyservice.us/
- Gateway HorseWorks - http://www.gatewayhorseworks.org/

Each of the eligible organizations in some manner furthers the mission of the Foundation to help Chester County citizens understand, gain access to and benefit from our legal system. The Foundation will provide the Scholarship Award recipient the honor of selecting the beneficiary of the community grant in further recognition of the recipient’s proven dedication to benefit others through community service.

Scholarship Award Application Requirements:
- Completed application form
- Completed essay
- Academic transcript (Please obscure Social Security #)
- Deadline to submit Application: APRIL 9, 2020