

**MONSIGNOR ANDREW J. MCGOWAN**  
**CORNERSTONE SCHOLARSHIP**  
**AT KEYSTONE COLLEGE**  
**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**



The Monsignor Andrew J. McGowan Cornerstone Scholarship was established in 2007 by the non-profit community organizations that knew and experienced Msgr. McGowan's unselfish support of his community. Monsignor McGowan believed in God, family and community. In his memory, the Monsignor Andrew J. McGowan Cornerstone Scholarship is awarded annually to students pursuing education at one of the regional academic institutions to which Monsignor devoted his time and service.

The Msgr. McGowan Cornerstone Scholarship Committee encourages students to live and practice their chosen profession within Northeastern Pennsylvania so as to make a lasting contribution for the improvement of their home community in much the same spirit as Monsignor McGowan. Please see attached biographical information.

1. Recipient must have their legal residence within the nine (9) county territory of Northeastern Pennsylvania.
  - Bradford
  - Columbia
  - Lackawanna
  - Luzerne
  - Pike
  - Sullivan
  - Susquehanna
  - Wayne
  - Wyoming
2. The Recipient must attend one of the following educational institutions.
  - Allied Services dePaul School For Children With Dyslexia
  - Keystone College
  - Kings College
  - Marywood University
  - Misericordia University
  - Mount Saint Mary's College
  - University of Scranton
3. The Recipient must be a full-time incoming or current undergraduate student fully committed to attending **Keystone College**.
4. The Recipient must have a long-term commitment to serving others in his/her community.
5. The Recipient must have shown successful leadership experience.
6. The Recipient must have a proven moral and high ethical character.
7. The Recipient must be a hard-working student, producing to the best of his/her academic ability.
8. The Recipient must show a demonstrated financial need.

**A fully completed Scholarship Application and required supporting materials must be submitted by August 1.**



**Name of Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Please PRINT your name.)

**SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

Using only the space below, list extracurricular, athletic, community and religious activities in which you have participated during the past 4 years. Please list the activities in order of importance to you.

Activity	# of Years	Leadership Positions, Awards & Recognition

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

Using the space below, please list your paid work experience during the past four years, beginning with your most recent position.

Employer	Nature of Work	Dates of Employment	Hrs/Wk

## REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS

In addition to the application form, your application packet should contain:

1. An official transcript from your present or most recently attended school.
2. A personal statement in 300 – 500 words, (typed in 12-pitch, double-spaced with 1 inch margins) on “How I can contribute to my Northeastern Pennsylvania community in the spirit of Monsignor Andrew J. McGowan.” Your statement should include information that will help us in knowing you and understanding your eligibility or need (for example: what factors influenced your area of study, how you are financing your education, significant work or volunteer experience, reasons for choosing your professional or future goals - e.g. challenges in your life experience and/or long range plans after graduation).
3. Two letters of recommendation from non-family members: one from a current educator and one letter of character reference from someone who can attest to the applicant’s moral and ethical character.
4. A complete “Free Application for Federal Student Aid” (FAFSA)

*I understand that information contained in my application may be shared with the scholarship advisory committee and /or scholarship sponsor. I acknowledge that all materials submitted in this application become the property of the institution and will not be returned to sender. Further, I hereby give Keystone College permission to provide The Luzerne Foundation, as the McGowan Cornerstone Scholarship Sponsor, with the applicant’s pertinent contact information and documentation as may be used to publicize the award.*

Applicant’s signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian/Spouse signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarship Application **DEADLINE** is **August 1**. Return form to:

**Office of Financial Assistance and Planning**  
**Ward Hall, First Floor**  
**One College Green**  
**La Plume, Pa. 18440**

**Important Note:** The McGowan Cornerstone Scholarship is in the amount of \$3,000 for one-year and is nonrenewable. 50% of the scholarship will be awarded for the Fall semester. The balance of the scholarship will be awarded for the Spring semester contingent upon the recipient maintaining satisfactory academic progress.

Please contact the Office of Financial Assistance and Planning at 570.945.8133 or 1-877.4.COLLEGE with any questions.