

## ANNOUNCEMENT:

### 2023 Mike Munchak Community Service Scholarship

Dear School District Superintendents/Guidance Departments/Agency Executive Directors:

The United Way of Lackawanna and Wayne Counties has established the aforementioned scholarship program to assist high school students from Lackawanna, Wayne and Pike Counties, PA, who plan to pursue a post-secondary education.

To be eligible, candidates must be actively involved in community service activities in programs funded by this United Way, be full-time resident and/or students of school districts within Lackawanna, Wayne or Pike Counties and accepted by an accredited university, college or trade school, in a two or four year degree program track, for the 2023/2024 school year.

Following are program eligibility criteria and highlights:

- The scholarship amount for 2023 is \$6,300.00
- The scholarship will be awarded for a one (1) year period only
- Only open to graduating seniors within our school districts
- Demonstrate commitment through community service activities
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Applicants must be graduating seniors from a public, private, parochial or charter school within either of the two counties

Scholarship packets including applications have been enclosed with this announcement to each school district in the Lackawanna, Wayne and Pike County area in January 2023. **An online version is available on our website located at [www.uwlc.net](http://www.uwlc.net). Please note that one component of the application is a Letter of Recommendation for the student from either you or your designee.**

All completed application packets must be returned no later than March 31, 2023. Any incomplete packets will not be considered. Send to:

United Way of Lackawanna & Wayne Counties  
Attn: Community Service Scholarship Committee  
PO Box 526  
Scranton, PA 18501-0526

The scholarship winner will be selected by April 30, 2023. The winner and his/her parents or guardian will be invited to the dinner and auction portion of the Mike Munchak Charity Golf Classic in June 2023 at the Scranton Country Club. The formal presentation of the scholarship will take place at that time when the winner will meet Mike and have photos taken together.

Please contact Frank Kincel at the United Way - 570-343-1267 ext 233 or email him at [fkincel@uwlc.net](mailto:fkincel@uwlc.net) with any questions pertaining to the program outline or the application.

We hope to see a wide array of gifted and committed students from our counties represented in the applicant pool for this incredible educational and financial gift.

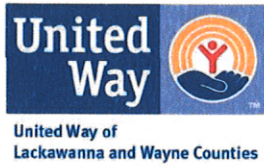
Best Regards,



Gary Drapek  
President

P.S. United Way staff, board members and their immediate families, the Scholarship Selection Committee and their immediate families are not eligible to apply.





## **2023 Mike Munchak Community Service Scholarship**

# **PROGRAM OUTLINE**

### BACKGROUND

Mike Munchak has been teaming up with the United Way annual charity golf classic for the past 27 years serving as our tournament host and NFL Celebrity for nearly the entire time. In 2002 the event was changed to the Mike Munchak Charity Golf Classic and continues to be one of the premiere golf events in our area each season.

In honor of Mike's commitment to our community and the United Way of Lackawanna, Wayne & Pike Counties, during the 2011 event it was announced that a special Mike Munchak Community Services Educational Scholarship is being formed with the initial scholarship awarded at our event in June 2012.

### PROGRAM

The United Way of Lackawanna, Wayne and Pike Counties has established the Mike Munchak Community Services Scholarship to assist high school students from Lackawanna, Wayne or Pike Counties, PA who plan to continue their education at an accredited university, college, or trade school in a two or four year degree program.

To be eligible candidates must be participants in programs funded by United Way of Lackawanna, Wayne and Pike Counties, have a demonstrated commitment through community service activities and be full-time residents and/or students of a school district within Lackawanna, Wayne or Pike Counties. Additional requirements including academic achievement, agency recommendation and a track record of community service as described in the section entitled "Eligibility".

The scholarship will be awarded for a one year period. This is a one-time scholarship for graduating seniors and is not renewable beyond this one year period.

The Award recipient will be chosen by the Scholarship Selection Committee and all decisions of the Selection Committee are final.

The scholarship will be awarded annually at the discretion of the United Way of Lackawanna, Wayne and Pike Counties pending the availability of funding. Funding for the scholarship will be made available from the proceeds of the Annual Mike Munchak Charity Golf Classic to benefit United Way of Lackawanna, Wayne and Pike Counties.

#### PROGRAM/AGENCY LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

All applications must include a written recommendation from the Executive Director or their authorized official Agency Staff Representative documenting community service involvement and reasons applicant should be selected. The recommendation must be from a program/agency funded by United Way of Lackawanna, Wayne and Pike counties.

#### SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS

One recipient will be selected in any given year. The award will be for one year only.

Recipients will be selected from a pool of qualified applicants with consideration given to those who demonstrate an extraordinary involvement in community service with a United Way funded program/agency, past academic performance and future potential, statement of career goals, unusual personal family circumstances, response to the essay question and stated recommendations of program/agency Executive Director or their authorized official Agency Staff Representative.

Selection of recipients is made by the Scholarship Selection Committee. At no time will any officer or employee of the United Way of Lackawanna, Wayne and Pike Counties be part of the selection process. All applicants, in submitting a signed application, agree that the decision of the Scholarship Selection committee is final.

#### EXCLUSIONS

United Way staff, board members and their immediate families, the Scholarship Selection Committee and their immediate families are not eligible to apply.

#### PAYMENT OF SCHOLARSHIPS

United Way of Lackawanna, Wayne and Pike Counties will pay the scholarship in TWO equal installments mailed directly to the college, university or trade school with the checks made payable to the school in the name of the student. The scholarship recipient must furnish the official name, address, phone number and point of contact to the United Way for the check to be posted.

The first payment will be released in August once written notification of acceptance from the school is received by United Way. The second payment will be released in January upon written notification from the recipient demonstrating they maintain a full-time status with the school.

At no time will the scholarship amount exceed the total cost of tuition, books and room and board.



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### INFORMATION NEEDED FOR COMPLETING THE APPLICATION

#### GENERAL

Please type or print all information (EXCEPT SIGNATURES)

Applications must be postmarked or submitted no later than March 31, 2023.

To be eligible applicants must be:

- Be graduating seniors from a public, private or charter school in Lackawanna, Wayne or Pike Counties, PA and/or full-time residents of Lackawanna, Wayne or Pike Counties, PA.
- Have demonstrated community service activities within programs/agencies funded by United Way.
- Meet minimum academic requirements (GPA of 2.5 or better).
- Submit a valid FAFSA Score (EFC number). Copy of the page indicating score must be attached.
- Be accepted by an accredited university, college or trade school in a two or four year degree program.
- Complete and submit a valid signed application form along with all required documentation, essay response and letter of reference from the nominating United Way funded program/agency.

#### APPLICANT DATA

Complete this section with your personal data and include documentation to verify;

- Your permanent home address is within Lackawanna, Wayne or Pike County.
- You are a high school senior attending school in Lackawanna, Wayne or Pike County.

#### PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN

List the names and contact information for your parent(s) and/or legal guardian.

#### HIGH SCHOOL AND TRANSCRIPT DATA

Applicant should identify High School; appropriate School Official; including name, title and telephone number and include a copy of their transcript of grades.

#### FAFSA SCORE

Applicant must submit a valid FASFA score (EFC Number). Copy of the page indicating score must be attached.  
***(Please do not include personal financial information)***

All applicants and their parents or guardians, in submitting a signed application, agree to hold harmless the United Way of Lackawanna, Wayne and Pike Counties and their respective agents, including the Scholarship Selection Committee and agree that the decision of the Scholarship Selection Committee is final.

All applicants understand that this is a one-time, one-year scholarship and is nonrenewable. The availability of the Scholarship will be determined annually based on available funding.





United Way of  
Lackawanna and Wayne Counties

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TYPE OR PRINT ALL INFORMATION EXCEPT SIGNATURES  
ALL ATTACHMENTS MUST BE TYPED /12 POINT / DOUBLE SPACED

APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY MARCH 31, 2023.

## APPLICANT DATA

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_  
Permanent Home Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a high school senior in Lackawanna or Wayne Counties, PA? ☐ YES ☐ NO - If no you are not eligible to apply

## PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN

Last name \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_  
Address (if different from applicant) \_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

## HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

School Name \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

## ACTIVITIES/AWARDS/HONORS

List all school activities in which you have participated during the past four years. Also list any awards or honors you have received during this period.  
(Attach separate sheet if necessary)

## TRANSCRIPT DATA

☐ A complete transcript is enclosed with this application. (Grade reports are not sufficient). List Name of School Official, Title and Phone

School Official Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

## FASFA SCORE (EFC Number) - A Valid Copy Must Be Attached

A valid FASFA Score is required. SCORE \_\_\_\_\_ Date completed \_\_\_\_\_ Date Notified \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMUNITY SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

List all community service accomplishments including program/agency name, Official Contact Person and briefly describe your involvement and accomplishments. *(Attach a separate sheet if necessary)*

**POST SECONDARY SCHOOL DATA**

Scholarships will only be considered for two year or four year degree programs at fully accredited universities, colleges or trade schools.

Name of post secondary school you plan to attend. \_\_\_\_\_

Major or course of study \_\_\_\_\_

☐ 4 year program ☐ 2 year program

**ESSAY**

Attach a separate TYPED sheet with your completed 1500 word or less essay on the following topic. (Must be double spaced 12 point type)

How have your community service activities contributed to your leadership qualities? Please list specific ways that your Community Service Activities have impacted and changed your individual goals, aspirations and future plans.

**LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION**

☐ Letter of recommendation from United Way funded program/agency Executive Director or official designee is attached.

Agency name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of authorized Agency Representative submitting letter of recommendation. \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

**CHECKLIST OF ATTACHMENTS/ENCLOSURES**

☐ Letter of Recommendation ☐ High School Transcript Copy  
☐ FASFA Score Copy (EFC Number) ☐ Essay

☐ Signed Marketing Release Form  
☐ \_\_\_\_\_

**AGREEMENTS/SIGNATURES**

All applicants and their parents or guardians, in submitting a signed application, agree to hold harmless the United Way of Lackawanna and Wayne Counties and their respective agents, including the Scholarship Selection Committee and agrees that the decision of the Scholarship Selection Committee is final.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_



## Marketing Release Form

**United Way of  
Lackawanna, Wayne & Pike**



I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby grant permission for the United Way of Lackawanna,  
Name (Please print.)  
Wayne & Pike Counties to use my picture, likeness, story, etc. in their marketing materials. Such usage includes but is not limited to: print materials, billboards, Internet, video, media outlets, social networking Internet sites and other promotional purposes. I understand that I will not receive compensation for usage, and I hereby waive all rights to inspect and/or approve usage.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **For Minors (under 18 years of age)**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby grant permission for the United Way of Lackawanna,  
Name of Parent/Guardian (Please print.)

Wayne and Pike Counties to use the picture, likeness, story, etc. of my child/children \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Child/Children (Please print.)

\_\_\_\_\_ in their marketing materials. Such usage includes but  
Name of Child/Children (Please print.)

is not limited to: print materials, billboards, internet, video, media outlets, social networking internet sites and other promotional purposes. I understand that I will not receive compensation for usage, and I hereby waive all rights to inspect and/or approve usage.

Signature of Parent/Guardian of minor child/children: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **United Way of Lackawanna, Wayne & Pike Counties**

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PROGRAMS / AGENCIES FUNDED BY THE UNITED WAY OF LACKAWANNA AND WAYNE COUNTIES

American Red Cross	256 N. Sherman Street	Scranton	PA	18702
Black Scranton Project	1902 N. Main Ave.	Scranton	PA	18508
Boys and Girls Club	609 Ash Street	Scranton	PA	18510
Bread Basket	550 Madison Ave.	Scranton	PA	18510
Catholic Social Services	504 Penn Ave.	Scranton	PA	18509
Commission on Economic Opportunity	165 Amber Ln. PO Box 1127	Wilkes-Barre	PA	18703
Day Nursery Association	332 Jefferson Ave.	Scranton	PA	18510
Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health	1547 Mill Creek Road	Newfoundland	PA	18445
Family Service Association	31 W. Market Street	Wilkes-Barre	PA	18701
Friends of the Poor	2300 Adams Ave.	Scranton	PA	18509
Greater Scranton YMCA	706 North Blakely Street	Dunmore	PA	18512
Habitat for Humanity	PO Box 407	Honesdale	PA	18431
Honesdale Communities That Care	PO Box 494	Honesdale	PA	18431
Honesdale Fire Department	PO Box 174	Honesdale	PA	18431
Jewish Community Center	601 Jefferson Ave	Scranton	PA	18510
Jewish Family Services	615 Jefferson Ave	Scranton	PA	18510
Lacawac Sanctuary	94 Sanctuary Road	Lake Ariel	PA	18436
Lackawanna Blind Association	228 Adams Avenue	Scranton	PA	18503
Maternal and Family Health Services	15 Public Square, Suite 600	Wilkes-Barre	PA	18701
Meals on Wheels of NEPA	541 Wyoming Ave	Scranton	PA	18509
Neighborhoods of NEPA	815 Smith St.	Scranton	PA	18504
NEPA Youth Shelter	541 Wyoming Ave	Scranton	PA	18509
Outreach	431 N. 7th Ave.	Scranton	PA	18503
Salvation Army	231 Sunrise Ave	Honesdale	PA	18431
Scranton Primary	959 Wyoming Ave.	Scranton	PA	18509
Second Harvest Food Bank	6969 Silver Crest Road	Nazareth	PA	18064
Serving Seniors	538 Biden Street Suite 408	Scranton	PA	18503
St. Francis Kitchen	500 Penn Ave	Scranton	PA	18509
St. Josephs Center	2010 Adams Ave.	Scranton	PA	18509
The ARC of NEPA	115 Meadow Ave	Scranton	PA	18505
The Cooperage Project	1030 Main St.	Honesdale PA	PA	18431
The Greenhouse Project	200 Artur Ave.	Scranton	PA	18510
The Salvation Army	500 South Washington Ave.	Scranton	PA	18505
United Cerebral Palsy	425 Wyoming Ave	Scranton	PA	18503
United Neighborhood Centers	425 Alder Street	Scranton	PA	18505
Victims Intervention Program	PO Box 986	Honesdale	PA	18431
Visiting Nurse Association	301 Delaware Ave	Olyphant	PA	18447
Wayne County Family Center	500 Academy Street Suite B	Hawley	PA	18428
Wayne County Public Library	1406 N. Main Street	Honesdale	PA	18431
Wayne Memorial Hospital	601 Park Street	Honesdale PA	PA	18431
Women's Resource Center	PO Box 975	Scranton	PA	18501