

St Louis Park Dollars for Scholars, where your donations go further: **100% of your donations are awarded in the form of scholarships!**

2018 recipients attend:

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Gustavus Adolphus College
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Thank you for your tremendous support!

St. Louis Park Dollars for SCHOLARS®

A Program of Scholarship America®

Providing Post-Secondary Scholarships for Local Students

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St. Louis Park's Class of 2018 awarded 86 scholarships

On May 23, 2018 we celebrated graduating seniors and their families at the St. Louis Park High School Academic Awards Night. Eighty-six St. Louis Park High School students were awarded Dollars for Scholars scholarships totaling \$74,300 to help them pursue their college education.

It takes a village

Part of what makes St. Louis Park Dollars for Scholars so special is the wide spectrum of donors – “the village” helping the youth of St. Louis Park have a great future. This includes previous graduating classes, former students, former and current high school staff and students, SLP neighborhoods, local businesses, and estates all of whom demonstrate their care for St. Louis Park students and “the village.”

Create a lasting legacy (without the bureaucracy)

A St. Louis Park family created the Harry Potter-themed “Platform 9¾” scholarship. Any SLPHS senior can apply by writing an essay in response to the question: if you were attending Hogwarts, which house would you be in and why? The family then gathers together for a day of reviewing the essays (student names are unknown to the family) and selecting the most original response. There are other scholarships specifically awarded to students intending to pursue a variety of majors including: medicine, marketing, theatre, and STEM fields. There is even a freshman at the SLP high school who set up a “lemonade stand” scholarship. He hopes to have enough money raised by the end of 2019 through his lemonade stand sales to help a SLPHS student attend college. There are endless ways to create your own scholarship and know that 100% of the funds will go directly to your intended purpose.



2018 Park graduate Madeline Kapel receives the Lake Forest Neighborhood Scholarship at the Academic Awards night.

Contact St. Louis Park Dollars for Scholars to **easily create unique, impactful scholarships**, including naming the award, the dollar amount, and recipient criteria. Donors have designed awards for students entering a specific field of study, having certain character traits, or for B students. There are many creative ways to leave a lasting legacy. We are starting to receive more interest in renewable scholarships (awards where a recipient can receive the scholarship over multiple years). Please email slpdollarsforscholars@gmail.com to discuss creating your legacy today.

Thank you notes written by 2018 scholarship recipients to donors

“ I will never forget this honor. It is amazing to me that as I am about to begin a new chapter in my life, I have a community supporting my dreams and believing in me.” **Sam**

“ It’s encouraging to see people who grew up in the same community I did and have since expanded their horizons choose to support me in expanding my own.” **Devin**

“ Some time in the future, it is my goal to return to St. Louis Park High School and present a scholarship to a high achieving student, who will hopefully continue to pay it forward.” **William**

“ It is really nice to know that there are people out there like you that help students financially so they can continue their education and become someone in life.” **Antonio**

“ I’ve been attending St. Louis Park Public Schools since kindergarten and as an outsider, coming to America, there couldn’t have been a more welcoming place. You all are a testament to the environment you created in St. Louis Park. I will carry these principles on in my future endeavors.” **Abdiaziz**



2018 Park graduate Ubah Abdullahi is presented with the Sharon Warner and Dean Berry Memorial Scholarship for her post-secondary education.



2018 graduate Annabella Strathman smiles as she receives the Sponberg Family Foundation Outstanding Writer Award.

Please donate today online or by mail

Help a SLP High School graduate achieve his or her post secondary goals, improve that person’s life and the community at large. Donate at the SLP DFS website at <http://www.stlouispark.dollarsforscholars.org> where you can find the latest DFS information at local and national levels. Wish to give by mail? Please send your check to SLP DFS at P.O. Box 16403, St. Louis Park, MN 55416. Questions? Email slp.dollarsforscholars@gmail.com or ask a board member.

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