**2024 SOUTH DAKOTA NURSES FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR ALL SCHOLARSHIPS: POSTMARKED OCTOBER 1, 2024**

**AWARD DATE FOR ALL SCHOLARSHIPS: SPRING SEMESTER 2025**

**NEW! $1,000 Carol and Bruce Anderson Memorial Family Nursing Scholarship – 1 available**

**Purpose—** To support a student pursuing a baccalaureate nursing degree.

**Criteria**

1. Current South Dakota resident with preference given to a resident of one these locations (in order of preference): city of Britton; counties of Marshall, Brown, Day, Roberts, McPherson, Edmunds, Faulk, or Spink.

2. Student accepted into the nursing major and currently attending an accredited pre-licensure registered nurse (associate or baccalaureate degree) program at one of the following nursing education programs: Augustana University, Lake Area Technical College, Sisseton Wahpeton College, or South Dakota State University.

**$2,000 South Dakota Nurses Foundation Scholarship - 1 available:**

 **Purpose**—To support a registered nurse pursuing a master’s or doctoral degree with the career goal of education program.

 **Criteria**

1. Current South Dakota resident.
2. Current South Dakota RN license.
3. Member of SDNA for at least one year.
4. Graduate student pursuing a master’s or doctoral degree in nursing or a related field in an accredited program with the goal of practicing nursing in a South Dakota high need area or teaching in a South Dakota baccalaureate or higher degree nursing education program.
5. Cumulative GPA 3.0 or higher upon completion of highest degree, i.e., baccalaureate nursing program or master’s in nursing program.
6. Career goals and personal qualities congruent with South Dakota Nurses Foundation purposes.
7. Evidence of leadership, compassion, involvement in professional organization(s), professional activities, and community service.

**$2,000 Rita H. Walsh Scholarship - 2 available:**

**Purpose**—To support a person pursuing a nursing education.

**Criteria**

1. Current South Dakota resident.

2. Current South Dakota RN license if an RN.

3. A student pursuing a bachelor’s degree (or higher) in nursing.

4. Demonstrates the qualities of patient advocacy, patient education, compassion and

 leadership.

**$1,000 Thomas E. and Marianne M. Stenvig Scholarship - 1 available:**

**Purpose**—To support a male registered nurse in pursuit of his educational goals.

**Criteria**

1. Current South Dakota resident.

2. Current South Dakota RN license.

3. Male RN pursuing a graduate degree in nursing (preferred) or a related field in an accredited program.

4. SDNA membership preferred.

5. Career goals consistent with South Dakota Nurses Foundation purposes of education, research, and service.

6. Evidence of leadership, compassion, involvement in professional organization(s), professional activities, and community service.

**$1,500 Dr. Carl and Leona Stadler Scholarship - 1 available:**

**Purpose**—To support a student pursuing a baccalaureate nursing degree.

**Criteria**

1.  South Dakota resident with preference given to a documented enrolled member of a recognized tribal nation in South Dakota.

2.  Documentation of enrollment in Semester 1 or 2 of a standard undergraduate nursing major at an accredited South Dakota baccalaureate nursing program.

3.  A Personal Statement reflecting specific examples of the qualities of patient advocacy, patient education, compassion, and leadership that you plan to demonstrate as a registered nurse. Limit statement to 500 words or less.

 **$1,000 SDNA Undergraduate Nursing Scholarship - 1 available:**

 **Purpose**—To support a student pursuing a baccalaureate nursing degree.

 **Criteria**

1. Resident of South Dakota with preference for a permanent legal resident of a county

 in SDNA District 4 (Brown, Campbell, Day, Edmunds, Faulk, Marshall, McPherson,

 Spink and Walworth counties).

2. Enrollment in any accredited standard baccalaureate nursing program in South Dakota.

3. Senior nursing student in good academic standing at time of award (Fall).

4. Preference for active involvement in South Dakota Student Nurses Association (include discussion of involvement).

5. Letter of recommendation from a staff nurse or a nursing program peer that discusses the applicant’s patient advocacy, patient education, compassion, and leadership.

6. Personal Statement addressing career goals: specifically considering education, research, and service, as well as commitment to participation in professional organization(s) after graduation (500 words or less).

**Applying for More Than One Scholarship:**

If you meet the criteria for more than one scholarship, consider applying for more than one scholarship.

**Application Materials for Scholarships:**

Access the South Dakota Nurses Association (SDNA) website at [www.sdnursesassociation.org](http://www.sdnursesassociation.org) / *South Dakota Nurses Foundation / Scholarships.* Alternatively,contact the South Dakota Nurses Association office at contactus@sdnurses.org or 605.945.4265.

**Questions About Scholarship Eligibility and Applications:**

Contact Carman Timmerman, SDNF Scholarship Chair and SDNF Treasurer, at 605.391.4053 or carmantimmerman@gmail.com.