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Attn: Guidance Counselor/ Financial Aid office,

We are sending you are our scholarship application/s and seeking your help in promoting them within your school. We will benefit from receiving more scholarship applications and one of your students may benefit from applying, if their essay is selected by our judges. Sounds like a win-win situation.

Enclosed is the brochure for our three (3) scholarships; one is for a graduating senior, one is for a post secondary student, and one is for a graduate student. The awards are all for \$500 each, a mere \$1 per word for the winning essay. The award is paid directly to the student. The deadline is April 13th. Please feel free to make as many copies as you would like. They are also available on our website <https://nwpaalf.paaflcio.org/> under the category in the menu bar is Scholarships& Info will open the article about the 2023 scholarships. We also have an article titled "Educational Opportunities" with tips for additional funding. To help determine eligibility on our website under the about us section is an article title NWPALF Affiliates.

As a service to our Central Labor Councils who have scholarships, we have printed and included their scholarships also. Each of those scholarships are unique please read the eligibility closely and check their websites, about us section for their affiliates list. And make sure they mail each scholarship essay to the correct address.

<https://nwpaalf.paaflcio.org/eriecrawfordclc>

<https://nwpaalf.paaflcio.org/beaverlawrence>

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We thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter and look forward to receiving the applications from your students who meet the eligibility requirements.

Sincerely,

Rosann K Barker

Director, NWPALF



**BEAVER-LAWRENCE  
CENTRAL LABOR  
COUNCIL  
2023 SCHOLARSHIP  
APPLICATIONS**



We are proud to sponsor (2) two scholarships essay contests for graduating Seniors; **The Beaver-Lawrence Central Labor Council Scholarship** and the **Donald McNutt Memorial Scholarship**.

**Note: Students can apply for one or both scholarships ...**



I understand as a graduating Senior I can apply for both scholarships. I have checked the scholarships I am applying for:

- The Beaver-Lawrence CLC Scholarship **“WHAT IS THE AFL-CIO AND WHAT DO THEY DO?”**
- Donald McNutt Scholarship **“What impact does buying “American-Made Union-Made” products have on our economy?”**

Student’s Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

High School \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Post -Secondary Institution \_\_\_\_\_

Name & phone number of Union Member \_\_\_\_\_ Union Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Circle Relationship of Union Member (Grandparent / Father / Mother / or Self) (Local Union Name & Number)

Local Union Official’s Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

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Both Scholarships have the same award, eligibility, purpose and length of Essay; please note the topic is different for each scholarship make sure you write your essay on the appropriate topic.

**AWARD - \$1,000.00**

**ELIGIBILITY**

**Student who will graduate from high school in 2023.** Award recipient must be accepted or registered as a full-time student in a post-secondary program. The applicant must be a union member, or a dependent child of a union member, or grandchild residing in the home of a union member in good standing of a local union affiliated with the Beaver-Lawrence Central Labor Council, AFL-CIO.

**PURPOSE**

To foster an understanding of the Labor Movement’s vital contributions to this nation’s economic, social and political fabric.

**TO ENTER**

Submit a 500-word essay on the appropriate topic:

**Beaver-Lawrence CLC Scholarship topic is; WHAT IS THE AFL-CIO AND WHAT DO THEY DO?**

**Donald McNutt Memorial Scholarship topic is; What impact does buying “American-Made Union-Made” products have on our economy?**

Essays must be typewritten (in Blue or Black Ink), double spaced on 8½” x 11” white paper, and void of identification. Please attach this completed scholarship application form to your essay and mail to:

**Attn: Rosann NWPA ALF  
Beaver-Lawrence CLC Scholarship  
1276 Liberty St Ste 2  
Franklin, PA 16323**

Submission deadline: Friday, May 20, 2023  
Presentation: Winner will be notified by mail.

The Beaver-Lawrence Central Labor Council (CLC) is one of nearly 500 state and local labor councils of the AFL-CIO and are the heart of the labor movement. Our officers and Executive Board are democratically elected. The Delegates and Alternates of our affiliates who serve on our Central Labor Council are dedicated to represent the interests of all working people at the state and local level.

We have 49 affiliated locals unions in the Beaver and Lawrence Counties of Pennsylvania. We mobilize our members and community partners to advocate for social and economic justice and we strive daily to vanquish oppression and make our communities better for all people—regardless of race, color, gender, religion, age, sexual orientation, or ethnic or national origin.

Our members have not only worked to help the workers in our region with many community projects but have looked toward the future. One way to help improve the lives and opportunities for anyone is through continued education. They began efforts to establish a scholarship fund at our council in early 1980's. We have awarded more than 60 scholarships to-date. We currently offer two scholarships and look forward to reading the essays every year..

We want all the students applying for our scholarships to know how proud we are of them. We congratulate you for demonstrating how determined you are to obtain the necessary funding to further your education. You have shown more initiative than most of your peers, and we wish you well.



## **BEAVER-LAWRENCE CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP**

Chartered on March 27, 1961, the Labor Council of Beaver County, Pennsylvania, AFL-CIO began serving both its membership and the local community. After nearly 45 years as a stand-alone CLC, the AFL-CIO asked the council to expand their jurisdiction to include Lawrence County. At that time, the council formally changed their name to The Beaver-Lawrence Central Labor Council.

Education was a major concern of leadership of this council and they began by educating their officers, delegates and the affiliated local union members. Always having an eye on the future and realizing our children are our future the leadership here decided to create a scholarship program. The program is used two-fold; the questions chosen are designed to educate the applicants about unions through their research. The scholarship offers additional funding to assist with the continued education of a dependent of an affiliated local union who wins the essay contest. This scholarship is awarded to a senior beginning their journey into the system of higher education.

## **DONALD E. MCNUTT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**



Donald E McNutt began his service to his community and nation when he enlisted in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. This veteran returned home and his passion to serve continued as he worked far into retirement. Don was a union activist and caring individual. He was a member of the International Association of Machinists Potomac Air Lodge Local 1976 for 35 years. While living in Washington County, he was inducted into the Washington County CLC Labor Hall of Fame for his many years of union service. He later moved to Beaver County.

Don understood the importance of Solidarity and Education. For many years he was on the Executive Board of the Beaver-Lawrence CLC and each month provided information on the "Union Label". Don understood that looking for the union label and the Made-In-USA label was something all members of organized labor should do. He knew this would assure we bought quality products, preserved good paying family sustaining jobs and our economy. He always discussed what union households should or should not buy. Don was also one of the founders of the "The Union Bug", a monthly newsletter that the Beaver-Lawrence CLC published.

Don McNutt was excited when we offered our first scholarship and he was a part of the decision to make sure we developed a two-fold program. In honor of his dedication and service the Beaver-Lawrence Central Labor Council has decided to name this scholarship in his memory. This scholarship is awarded to a senior beginning their journey into the system of higher education.