Lake Erie Yearly Meeting Scholarship Fund

"Ideally, Friends educational institutions seek to create intentional community and prepare participants for engagement in the work of the world. A Friends educational institution is more likely to incorporate spiritual values throughout its programs if it has a solid core of students, parents and graduates who understand and actively support Quaker principles and practices.

People who have experienced Friends concerns for simplicity, equality, justice and compassion in our educational institutions often have a significant, positive influence in their wider communities. Because these institutions embody our ways of worship, our social testimonies and our commitment to service, they are an important form of outreach to the wider world."

---Philadelphia Yearly Meeting Faith & Practice, 2017

Lake Erie Yearly Meeting (LEYM) is committed to supporting young adult Friends who choose to attend Quaker colleges and universities for their undergraduate education. LEYM has created an annual budget line item that can be used to support students who meet all of the following criteria:

- Applicant participates in the life of a monthly meeting or worship group that is a member of LEYM.
- Applicant is attending a member institution of the <u>Friends Association for Higher</u> <u>Education</u> as a degree-seeking student or be participating in a post-secondary internship or fellowship for a Quaker organization such as Quaker Voluntary Service, Friends Committee on National Legislation, American Friends Service Committee, Quaker United Nations Office or Quaker Experiential Service and Training.
- Applicant will be a student or intern / fellow during the school year following disbursement.

For consideration, applicants must send the LEYM Treasurer the following:

- Letter from their monthly meeting or worship group clerk affirming their support and sharing how the applicant has participated in Quaker life such as participation within their faith community or with Quaker camps or organizations.
- Proof of registration at one of the institutions listed above. This can be a print-out of their class registration or letter from the registrar.
- Address of office that check should be sent to, along with student ID number or any additional information Treasurer should include when sending the check to the institution. In the case of an internship, the check will be sent directly to the student to off-set living expenses.

Deadline: For the 2019-20 school year, the deadline will be 9/30/19. This year, the Treasurer will make disbursements with consultation and discernment with the Finance Committee prior to 10/31/19.

In subsequent years, the deadline will be March 1 to allow time for discernment with Finance Committee and the Treasurer will share their report during Representative Meeting. All materials should be received by the Treasurer prior to that date for consideration at that meeting. All eligible applicants will be considered with the line item in LEYM's budget being evenly divided among them. If there aren't any applicants during a particular year, the funds can roll over and will be made available in subsequent years. Applicants may apply for each year of enrollment or internship. The maximum scholarship per recipient per year is \$2,000. Disbursements after 2019 will be made in August.

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