**ASSISTANCE LEAGUE OF CHARLOTTE SCHOLARSHIP FUND 2020 – 2021**

VP Philanthropic Programs: Judith Sanford  
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Program Established: 2002

**Purpose of Program:**  
Assistance League of Charlotte awards college scholarships to Charlotte-Mecklenburg graduating high school seniors and previous Assistance League of Charlotte Scholarship recipients for their continuing education. Scholarship awards are based on community service, academic performance and financial need. Recipients must attend one of the 16 public University of North Carolina system schools or attend Central Piedmont Community College. An online application system was implemented in early 2020 to allow the students and Committee members ease of applying, processing, scoring and awarding these scholarships. Students can access the application through our website or the College Foundation of North Carolina (CFNC) website to apply. The application deadline is typically in March of each year for the upcoming Fall term.

**Special Awards:**  
**Assistance League of Charlotte Scholarship**  
This scholarship is designed to provide up to $12,000 towards the freshman year of college for a graduating senior in Charlotte-Mecklenburg to assist with room, board, books, tuition and fees. At the discretion of the organization, additional scholarships are awarded to students with financial need who have exhibited a commitment to community service.  

**Assistance League of Charlotte Previous Recipient Scholarship**  
At the discretion of the organization, this scholarship rewards continued community service and academic success to college students who have previously received an Assistance League of Charlotte scholarship and provides funds, not to exceed $3,000 per school year after the freshman year if certain requirements are met. Students must reapply for this scholarship each year.

**Assistance League of Charlotte Scholarship CPCC**  
This scholarship provides a graduating high school senior with funds, not to exceed $5,000, toward the first year at CPCC to assist with tuition, books and fees. At the discretion of the organization, additional scholarships are awarded to students with financial need who have exhibited a commitment to community service.

**Assistance League Community Scholarships**  
This program enables hundreds of children with limited means to enrich their lives with music lessons, art classes, literacy and reading instruction, group performance experiences and YMCA camp attendance. It also funds scholarships to the Community Culinary School of Charlotte.

**Funding:**  
Assistance League Scholarships are funded through private and corporate donations, chapter fundraising events and the Assistance League of Charlotte Thrift Shop.

The Assistance League of Charlotte Scholarship Fund awarded 16 college scholarships in fiscal year 2019-2020 in the total amount of $47,000. More than $516,000 in scholarship monies has been awarded since the program’s inception in 2002. An additional 449 children received scholarships valued at $21,500 to attend Arts+ and Stratford Richardson YMCA Day Camp, and two adults received scholarships totaling $13,544 to attend Community Culinary School of Charlotte.