

# HAROLD and VIRGINIA STEVENS ENDOWMENT FUND 4-H SCHOLARSHIP

The Harold and Virginia Stevens Endowment Fund was established by their friends and associates to honor their retirement from the Cooperative Extension Service. The Endowment Fund was established with the University of Nebraska Foundation. The earning from this Endowment will be available for Dawson County 4-H members or former Dawson County 4-H members who are pursuing their education at the University of Nebraska in any area. The scholarships are available for college freshman and first year Masters or Doctorate students. The size and the number of scholarships will be decided annually based on endowment fund earnings on January 1 of each year.

To be eligible, applicants must have completed five years as a 4-H member in Dawson County and must maintain a minimum 2.0 grade point average on 12 completed University of Nebraska credit hours by the end of their initial freshman year semester. The full scholarship will be available upon enrollment the second semester, or the student must maintain a 2.0 grade point average on 24 completed credit hours their initial freshman year. The scholarship would be payable upon enrollment as a full time student the next semester. The undergraduate scholarship will be forfeited if not used within 30 months after the date of their high school graduation. For first year Masters students or first year Doctorate students, the scholarship will be available first semester.

The recipients will be selected based on the following criteria:

- 30% Participation in 4-H Judging, Presentations, Public Speaking, Showmanship and Fashion Show - include years, level of participation, contests, any special recognition, etc.
- 20% 4-H Projects and Other Activities - Project areas, exhibiting, special events, etc.
- 20% Leadership - Jr. Leadership, offices held, camp counselor, National 4-H Conference, National 4-H Congress, Big Red Academic Camp, etc.
  - A. 4-H
  - B. School
  - C. Church
  - D. Other
- 20% Citizenship/Community Service - Heritage Tour, Service Projects, Etc.
  - A. 4-H
  - B. School
  - C. Church
  - D. Other
- 10% Scholastic Achievement - Grade Point and/or rank in class. (Attach transcript of grades.)

A selection committee shall be composed of one Dawson County Extension Educator - Agriculture, one Dawson County Extension Educator - Home Economics, one member who has served on the Dawson County Extension Board, one member who has served on the Dawson County 4-H Council, and one member-at-large to be selected by the other committee members. The committee will review the applications and recommend at least one recipient and one alternate for each scholarship to the University of Nebraska. A recipient may receive the scholarship only one time.

Letters of Appreciation - Appreciation for the scholarship may be expressed to:

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