



## **CENTRAL UNION CHURCH**

### ***WOMEN'S LEAGUE FACT SHEET FOR SCHOLARSHIP/GRANT APPLICATION***

#### **I. AWARDS AVAILABLE:**

##### **A. KENNETH O. and DORIS A. REWICK EDUCATIONAL AID FUND**

The Central Union Church Women's League established this educational aid grant in 1968 and later renamed the fund to honor former Senior Minister Dr. Kenneth O. Rewick and former CUC Preschool Director Mrs. Doris A. Rewick. The educational aid fund is awarded to students who are enrolled or accepted for enrollment in any accredited school for undergraduate or graduate college training, or for other specialized training beyond high school and maybe full time, part time, or online students.

##### **B. RUTH C. SCUDDER SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship fund was established by the Women's Society of Central Union Church in 1915 in memory of Mrs. Ruth C. Scudder, who was the wife of former CUC Pastor Dr. Doremus Scudder. This scholarship is awarded to a woman of Christian affiliation with preference to the United Church of Christ and who is a student at the University of Hawaii system with preference to upperclassmen. Applying for this scholarship requires additional information. See requirements in Instructions for Completing Application section below. \*\*

#### **II. GENERAL INFORMATION:**

##### **A. DEADLINE**

Only the first fifty (50) **COMPLETED** applications (including two letters of recommendation) emailed no later than February 28, 2020, will be considered.

Applicant will be notified by e-mail when their application is deemed complete.

## **B. GENERAL CRITERIA**

The Scholarship Committee shall consider from the following criteria when evaluating candidates:

- Character (30%)
- Community Service (30%)
- Scholarship (20%)
- Evidence of financial need and personal effort to supplement educational funds (20%)

## **C. AWARD**

In past academic years, awards were \$1,000 to \$1,500 each. Award amounts may vary from year to year and up to the discretion of the Women's League Executive Board.

The scholarship/grant will be paid upon receipt of verification of acceptance to the accredited postsecondary institution of the recipient's choice. The grant is paid only for the year in which it is awarded and disbursed by semesters. Annual grant will be prorated when academic year is less than one year. Students who receive grants may reapply for each succeeding year. Appropriate identification information will be required at the time of notification of the award. The Central Union Church Women's League may publish the names of awardees in church bulletins, website, social media, and other publications.

## **III. SUBMISSION OF COMPLETED APPLICATION DOCUMENTS:**

- A.** Applicant must remit all application documents at one time by e-mail. Completed application documents include the Application for Women's League Scholarship/Grant, Estimated Expenses & Resources, Free Application for Student Aid (FAFSA) *Student Aid Report*, Personal Statement, two (2) letters of recommendation, and transcripts. Transcripts may be mailed via regular mail directly from the school or sent via email. See additional requirements below for the Ruth C. Scudder application.

**Women's League Scholarship E-mail Address:**  
cucwlscholarship@gmail.com

**Regular Mail Physical Address:**  
CHAIRPERSON, SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE  
WOMEN'S LEAGUE, CENTRAL UNION CHURCH  
1660 SOUTH BERETANIA STREET  
HONOLULU, HI 96826

- B. Submission via E-mail:** All documents should be remitted in **one** e-mail. Piecemeal e-mails may not be accepted. If, however, your school requires your transcripts to be sent directly via regular mail or by e-mail, please indicate this in the special notes section of the application. Transcripts should be mailed to the physical or email addresses listed in section III.A.

Portable Document Format (PDF) copies of documents are preferred but not required. Electronic/digital signatures are also accepted.

#### **IV. INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING APPLICATION:**

##### **A. Application Form**

The applicant must submit a completed official Application for Women's League Scholarship/Grant form, typed or legibly written in dark ink format and scanned. Application is available on Central Union Church's website at: <http://www.centralunionchurch.org/scholarships/>

##### **B. Free Application for Student Aid (FAFSA) Student Aid Report**

The applicant must submit a copy of a Student Aid Report (SAR) for the 2020-2021 academic school year. At a minimum, the FAFSA Student Aid Report that is submitted must include the page that indicates the Estimated Family Contribution (EFC). If possible, submission of the entire SAR is preferred. The Student Aid Report is available at: <https://fafsa.gov/>

##### **C. Personal Statement**

The applicant must submit a personal statement (no more than two pages) on a separate sheet(s) of paper. The personal statement must be typed, double-spaced, and include the following information:

- Statement of educational, career goals, and plans for the future.
- Description of any special circumstances regarding his/her family or financial situation that will assist the Scholarship Committee in appraising financial needs.
- Brief discussion of extracurricular activities and interest in the past three years (church work, community service, hobbies, talents, sport activities, etc.).
- Specific detail about past or present work experience and plans to work while in school.
- Any other important information which the applicant feels the committee should know.

##### **D. TWO (2) Letters of Recommendation**

The applicant must request **two current letters of recommendation** to be submitted by teachers, employers, church or community leaders, etc. who are well acquainted with the applicant, **but are not** relatives. Forms for the persons writing on the applicant's behalf are available online or attached to this application. Reproduced copies may be made by the applicant. Letters of recommendation should be in Portable Document Format (PDF) or a scanned copy of the actual signed letter. Electronic or digital signatures are accepted.

If applicant is applying for the **Ruth C. Scudder Scholarship**, **one (1)** of the two letters of recommendation must be from the applicant's pastor or Christian affiliation leader.

#### **E. Transcripts**

The applicant must submit an **official transcript of grades** from the school last attended or currently attending to demonstrate academic performance.

#### **F. \*\* ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR RUTH C. SCUDDER APPLICATION \*\***

Applicant must submit the following additional information for completion of Ruth C. Scudder Scholarship Application:

- Personal Statement (*See section IV.C. Personal Statement*) should also include a description of probably future service to the community and Christian religious interest.
- Name and location of applicant's church or Christian affiliation.
- The name, address, phone number, and e-mail address of applicant's pastor or Christian affiliation leader.

#### **G. Labeling application form and supporting documents**

Each piece of the application form should have the applicant's full name. If a place for a name is not provided or if attaching additional sheets, write applicant's full name in the upper right-hand corner of each sheet.

#### **V. CONTACT INFORMATION AND QUESTIONS:**

- Leave voice message for the Women's League Scholarship Committee Chairpersons: (808) 941-0957
- E-mail: [cucwlscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:cucwlscholarship@gmail.com)