

JOHN GOLD PRE-COLLEGIATE PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP

MISSION OF SCHOLARSHIP

The Pre-Collegiate Program Scholarship Fund was established in December 2006 by Barbara and John Gold to help Pre-Collegiate Program students pursue higher education. After John's death in 2011, the fund was renamed the John Gold Pre-Collegiate Program Scholarship Fund.

The scholarship will assist Roaring Fork School District graduates of the Pre-Collegiate Program in financing their college education. Because this scholarship is renewable it can potentially support all four years of college.

The Pre-Collegiate Program was established in 2003 as a partnership among the Roaring Fork School District, the University of Colorado, Colorado Mountain College, and Aspen Community Foundation. The mission of the Pre-Collegiate Program is to motivate and prepare academically qualified and under-represented students to graduate from high school and be the first generation in their family to attend college. Having received start-up funding from Aspen Community Foundation, the Pre-Collegiate Program is now part of the Roaring Fork School District.

SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFIERS

- Open to graduating seniors in or current college students from the Roaring Fork School District, RE-1 (Basalt, Carbondale, and Glenwood Springs) who participated in the Pre-Collegiate Program. A student attending Yampah Mountain High School who participates in the Pre-Collegiate Program may also be eligible.
- Students should demonstrate financial need.
- Students should be planning to attend an accredited two-year or four-year college or university on a full time basis.
- Students should be the first generation in their families to attend college. Having siblings in college will not preclude students from the scholarship.

REQUIRED APPLICATION MATERIALS

All materials will be kept in confidence at Aspen Community Foundation.

- Completed application form
- Personal essay
- Official school transcripts of grades (with school stamp)
- Two signed and dated letters of recommendation
- Recent photo

REVIEW AND SELECTION COMMITTEE

Barbara Gold; William Tobey; Thomas van Straaten; Sarah Chase Shaw; Julie Goldstein; Leslie Emerson and/or Dave Smith Directors Pre-Collegiate Program; Susanne Morrison, Program Director Aspen Community Foundation (as ACF Representative)