## **Billings Family Educational Fund for Women**

This is a fund established for women students seeking to attend a training school, college, or university to learn a new skill or trade in order to have a new start and direction in life. This is a one-year scholarship renewable for up to three years. At this time three (3) \$750 scholarships are available. Applications are available online at http://www.mcphersonfoundation.org/applications/ and must be submitted online or postmarked no later than July 31, 2016.

## Criteria and Guidelines for the Billings Family Educational Fund for Women Scholarship

- 1. The applicant must be female.
- 2. The applicant must currently live in McPherson County.
- 3. The applicant must be a student at least 20 years of age not having attended school within the last school year.
- 4. The applicant must describe how gaining educational training will enable her to overcome a difficult life situation.
- 5. The applicant must describe how this educational training is compatible with her interests and abilities and will further her personal goals for a new direction in life.
- 6. The applicant must provide detailed information about the program she wishes to enter.
- 7. The applicant will submit two written recommendations along with the application.
- 8. The recipient of the scholarship will need to submit a renewal application in order to extend the scholarship for an additional year.

For questions about the application, please contact the McPherson County Community Foundation office at 620-245-9070, toll free at 1-866-245-9070 or via email at sharon@mcphersonfoundation.org.

## **Mailing Address and Application Due Date**

The application form, essay, and letters of recommendation are due to the McPherson County Community Foundation no later than July 31, 2016. If mailing, send your application materials to:

McPherson County Community Foundation 206 S Main McPherson, KS 67460

Note: The scholarship selection committee reserves the right to request personal interviews with any of the applicants.