

Scholarships for Students with Epilepsy

Pfizer Epilepsy Scholarship

Pfizer provides funds for 25 - \$3,000.00 scholarships annually. Students at the high school (seniors) and college (freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior who has applied to graduate) levels are eligible to apply. As a side note: Parke-Davis had a scholarship, but the company was merged with Pfizer.

Applicants must be under a doctor's care for epilepsy, have done well in school, and must show that they have participated in community and extracurricular activities.

Interested individuals are required to submit an official school transcript and two letters of recommendation with their application form.

Keppra Family Epilepsy Scholarship Program

In addition to scholarship funds for those living with epilepsy, <u>monies are available under this program</u> for family members or caregivers of epilepsy patients.

For epilepsy patients, 20 scholarships in the amount of \$5,000.00 each are available; family members and caregivers of people with epilepsy can apply for one of 10 scholarships, also in the amount of \$5,000.00 each.

To be eligible to apply for this funding, one must be a legal (permanent) resident of the US who has been accepted to or is currently enrolled in a US educational institution. (Those seeking funding for either undergraduate or graduate studies are eligible to apply.)

All applicants will be evaluated on the basis of an essay or an artistic presentation setting out why they should be chosen to receive funding, the impact epilepsy has had in his/her life, and how the funds will be of assistance.

In addition to the foregoing, an academic transcript, three letters of recommendation, and a photograph (non-returnable) of the applicant are required.

Your local chapter of the Epilepsy Foundation might have scholarship monies available. Here are some examples of funding available to residents of specific geographic areas:



The UCB Family Epilepsy Scholarship

The UCB Family Epilepsy Scholarship Program provides financial assistance to U.S. citizens or legal permanent residents who live with epilepsy, including family members and caregivers. For scholarship consideration, a family member is an immediate relative, including mother, father, brother or sister. Other family members such as cousins, aunts and uncles who live in the same household as the person with epilepsy are also eligible. Applications call for academic transcripts, a photograph of the candidate, letters of recommendation and the medical history of the person with epilepsy. There is no minimum GPA requirement. How the applicant promotes greater public awareness of epilepsy and participates in community activities are among the criteria considered in awarding this scholarship.