CBL STATE SAVINGS BANK FOUNDATION



TECHNICAL COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES & APPLICATION

Community Scholarship Opportunity

To eligible students of Greenville & Spartanburg Counties. See guidelines for requirements & application details.









Dear High School Senior,

Congratulations on nearing the completion of your high school journey! This is an exciting time filled with opportunities for growth, and at CBL State Savings Bank, we are proud to be a part of your future plans.

As a community-focused institution, we believe in the power of education and the impact skilled trades have on our local economies and beyond. To support this, we are pleased to offer up to two \$2,500 scholarships to high school seniors in Greenville and Spartanburg counties who are pursuing a skilled trade related to commercial or residential real estate (e.g., construction, plumbing, HVAC, electrical work, carpentry, welding).

The CBL State Savings Bank Foundation Scholarship is designed to help you take the next steps toward a rewarding and impactful career in the trades, where your skills and dedication will be essential to building and maintaining the communities around us.

Enclosed, you will find the scholarship guidelines, application, and important details on how to apply. Please be sure to carefully review all of the information and complete pages 5 and 6, which will need to be returned along with the required supporting documentation. These documents will help us get to know you, your goals, and how this scholarship can help you achieve them.

We encourage you to take this opportunity to advance your educational goals and contribute to the growth of our communities. We look forward to reviewing your application and wish you every success in your future endeavors.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Warm regards,

Jennifer Jones
President and CEO

CBL State Savings Bank

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OVERVIEW

The CBL State Savings Bank Foundation administers a scholarship program designed to support the educational pursuits of high school seniors residing in Greenville and Spartanburg Counties, the communities CBL serves. This program reflects the Foundation's commitment to fostering future leaders in both the banking industry and the skilled trades that support our local economies.

APPLICATION TIMELINE

Scholarship applications will be accepted annually. All completed applications must be received by the close of business on March 1. If that date falls on a weekend, the deadline will shift to the <u>preceding</u> business day. Scholarship recipients will be selected and notified by May, with funds disbursed directly to the recipient's institution before the fall semester.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- 1. **High School Senior Status**: Applicant must be a high school senior graduating in the current academic year.
- 2. **Geographic Location**: Applicant must live in Greenville or Spartanburg County.
- 3. **Enrollment**: Applicant must be planning to enroll in a technical school.
- 4. **Skilled Trade Major:** Must plan to attend a technical school and pursue a skilled trade related to *commercial or residential real estate* (e.g., construction, plumbing, HVAC, electrical work, carpentry, welding).
- 5. **Academic Performance**: Applicant must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- 6. **CBL Relatives**: Relatives of CBL State Savings Bank employees and directors are not eligible to apply for this scholarship. This includes, but is not limited to, spouses, children, grandchildren, siblings, parents, nieces, and nephews.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. **Completed Application Form**: All sections must be filled out accurately and completely.
- 2. Personal Essay: Submit a personal statement (500–700 words) that demonstrates your interest in a skilled trade specifically related to commercial or residential real estate. The essay must outline your career goals, describe your chosen trade (e.g., construction, plumbing, HVAC, electrical work, carpentry, or welding), and explain how this scholarship will help you pursue your education at a technical school and achieve your professional goals.
- 3. **Letters of Recommendation**: Submit two letters of recommendation from teachers, mentors, or employers who can attest to the applicant's character, work ethic, and suitability for a career in a skilled trade(s).
- 4. Official High School Transcript: Must include the most recent grades and GPA.
- 5. **Resume**: A current resume highlighting academic achievements, extracurricular activities, work experience, and community service.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Scholarships are awarded at the discretion of the Foundation's Board of Directors based on academic performance, community involvement, leadership, clearly defined career goals related to commercial or residential real estate, and alignment with the Foundation's mission.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- 1. **Submission Deadline**: All application materials must be submitted **by 5:00 pm on Friday**, **February 27, 2026**.
- 2. **Submission Method**: Applications can be submitted electronically via scholarships@myCBL.bank or mailed to 229 Trade Street, Greer, SC 29651.
- 3. **Notification**: Scholarship recipients will be notified by phone, email, or during their school's awards ceremony. Applicants who are not selected will not receive individual notification.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

- 1. **Amount**: The scholarship amount will be \$2,500.
- 2. **Number of Awards**: Up to two scholarships will be granted, with one scholarship awarded to each recipient.
- 3. **Disbursement**: Funds will be disbursed directly to the recipient's technical school to be applied towards tuition, fees, and other educational expenses.
- 4. **Renewal**: The scholarship is a one-time award and is not renewable.

CONTACT INFORMATION

For any questions or further information, please contact:

Jennifer Jones 864-877-2054 scholarships@mycbl.bank

TIPS FOR APPLICANTS

- Start Early: Begin gathering materials and writing the essay well before the deadline.
- **Proofread**: Ensure all parts of the application are free of errors.
- Follow Instructions: Adhere to all guidelines and submission requirements.

By adhering to these guidelines, applicants can effectively present their qualifications and aspirations, enhancing their chances of receiving the scholarship.



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APPLICANT INFORMATION

FULL NAME:	
DATE OF BIRTH:	
HOME STREET ADDRESS:	
CINDY, STATE, ZIP CODE:	
COUNTY:	
PHONE NUMBER:	
EMAIL ADDRESS:	
HIGH SCHOOL NAME:	
EXPECTED GRADUATION DATE (MM/YY):	
PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S) NAME:	

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

CUMULATIVE GPA (WEIGHTED):	
CLASS RANK (IF APPLICABLE)	
INTENDED TECHNICAL SCHOOL:	
PLANNED MAJOR/FIELD OF STUDY:	

PLEASE ALSO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS TO SUBMIT A COMPLETE APPLICATION FOR CONSIDERATION:

- Personal Essay: A personal essay (500–700 words) that demonstrates the applicant's interest in a skilled trade specifically related to commercial or residential real estate. The essay must outline the applicant's career goals, describe their chosen trade (e.g., construction, plumbing, HVAC, electrical work, carpentry, or welding), and explain how this scholarship will help pursue an education at a technical school and achieve their professional goals.
- 2. **Letters of Recommendation**: Two letters of recommendation from teachers, counselors, or community leaders who can attest to the applicant's academic achievements, character, and potential.
- 3. Official High School Transcript: Must include the most recent grades and GPA.
- 4. **Resume**: A current resume highlighting academic achievements, extracurricular activities, work experience, and community service.

CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE

Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:
Applicant Signature:	Date:
representatives of CBL State Savings Bank. Information, verifying enrollment at the indocumentation to facilitate the proper award	maintain prompt and timely communication with This includes responding to requests for additional astitution of my choice, and providing necessary ding and disbursement of scholarship funds. Failure ested information in a timely manner may result in
If selected as the scholarship recipient, I understand the scholarship will consist of a single payment of \$2,500.00 and will be sent directly to the technical school to which I have been issued a Student ID number and plan to attend. The single payment will be sent directly to the school prior to the first semester.	
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SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

- 4. Completed applications, including all required documents, must be submitted **by 5:00 pm on Friday, February 27, 2026**.
- Submit the completed application and supporting documentation to:

CBL State Savings Bank Foundation 229 Trade Street Greer, SC 29651

OR

Email: scholarships@myCBL.bank