When Steve’s parents passed away, they left him some money in their will. “I thought, what better way to honor them with a scholarship in their name – education was very important to my folks.” The William and Elizabeth Robinson Scholarship awards to students in Chelan and Douglas high schools with a GPA between 3.3 and 3.9 who demonstrate characteristics that will lead to success in college and beyond.

“Education is a great levelizer. It can bring people from a challenging life to a great level of prosperity in one generation. With an education, you can do and be anything you want.” Thanks to scholarships like the Robinson’s, many more students will have the chance to pursue their education and become whatever they dream to be.

You can change a student’s life.

The Community Foundation of NCW is home to over 120 Scholarship Funds that provide financial assistance for students to pursue their educational dreams at colleges, universities, and trade or technical schools. You determine the name of the scholarship, its mission, and criteria. Many funds honor loved ones, support a specific field of interest, or help first generation students and those who need the greatest financial support.

How It Works

- You make an initial contribution of $10,000 or more to the Community Foundation of NCW.
- You establish a name for your fund.
- The annual spendable balance will be available for the scholarship, with the ability to add additional funding each year as a tax deductible gift.
- The Foundation works with you to determine a selection committee. Donors may participate in the selection of the scholarship awardee as part of a larger committee.
- Scholarship awards may be used for qualified expenses, as defined by the IRS. This includes tuition and fees, books, and course- or degree-related costs (like supplies required for specific classes) but does not include other college-related costs such as room, board and travel.

Getting Started

Opening a Scholarship Fund is easy. Call us at (509) 663-7716 or email info@cfncw.org to make an appointment so we can get to know you and your mission for the scholarship.