



# The Carolyn O'Connor Scholarship

## History

Carolyn M. O'Connor was the first chairperson of the Businesswomen's Committee. This scholarship honors her dedication to and involvement with the Businesswomen and the Chamber over the years. Organized in 1986, the Businesswomen's group is committed to the growth of Cape Ann businesses and the professional development of the Chamber's women members. In 2005 the group established the scholarship fund to give back to the local community. One \$1,250 scholarship has been awarded annually since then.

## Objective

We welcome applications from women who are returning to the work force after an absence or are considering a career change, or just beginning their journey to education- in an effort to better their life situation: women who, for whatever reason, were not able to complete their education/training.

## Guidelines

Applicants must have graduated from high school or earned a GED. Colleges/universities/training programs must be fully accredited. Scholarship money will be paid directly to the recipient. Proof of enrollment must be provided before the scholarship is paid. Please answer these questions thoroughly—your answers are what you will be evaluated on.

All applications will be kept completely confidential.

Please return this form by September 1, 2019.

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Scholarship application may be downloaded at: [capeannchamber.com](http://capeannchamber.com)

We'd love to find out how our scholarship recipients are doing! A member of the Businesswomen's Committee will contact recipients approximately six months after the scholarship is awarded to offer encouragement, get feedback, and explore mentoring possibilities.

Contact Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone/Convenient time to contact you: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Where did you go to school?

High School Attended: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of graduation/GED date \_\_\_\_\_

Professional or Trades School Program: \_\_\_\_\_ dates: \_\_\_\_\_

College Attended: \_\_\_\_\_ dates: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree attained: \_\_\_\_\_

What field of study are you pursuing and where are you enrolled?

(For example, medical assistant, paralegal, building trades, etc. Please give us the name of the school.)

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What are your educational goals and how will this training/education assist you to achieve your goals?

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Please give us a brief recap of your life experience. Include things like volunteering, coaching, working, raising children, etc. (please use a separate sheet if necessary)

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Please answer the following: (use a separate sheet of paper, if needed)

1. Tell us about one major accomplishment in your life, or something you've done of which you are especially proud. How is this important to you?

2. Describe one difficulty in your life that you have overcome. How did you do it?

3. Tell us about one way you have contributed to the Cape Ann Community

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_