

DCCW CONVENTION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT GUIDELINES – 2024

WHAT DOES A SCHOLARSHIP INCLUDE?

- **Convention Package - Scholarship recipient must choose from one of the following packages:**
 - Full Registration – All Saturday & Sunday daytime & evening events, including banquet; **OR**
 - Saturday daytime & evening events, including banquet; **OR**
 - Saturday daytime only – no banquet; **OR**
 - Sunday events, including Saturday banquet; **OR**
 - Sunday events, no Saturday banquet.
- **Hotel Room – if requested by the Scholarship recipient, a one-night hotel accommodation may also be requested.** Every effort should be made to stay in a room with three other women. If hotel has double beds, then the room must be shared with at least one other woman.

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Applications are taken on the basis of need and are limited to funds available. Depending on funding, a “first come, first served” policy is used.

All information is kept strictly confidential. Only the Registration Chairs and the DCCW Scholarship Committee have access to this information.

Scholarships are NOT transferable to another Convention attendee.

- Applicant must be at least 18 years old, Catholic, and active in her parish and women’s organization.
- Applicant must meet the Scholarship application deadline – unless circumstances warrant “late review.”
- Applicant must submit a brief statement that includes **all of the following**:
 - information about herself to include her parish and women’s group involvement; **AND**
 - information indicating financial need; **AND**
 - information explaining how she would benefit from attending the Convention.
- Applicant must have written endorsement from **ONE of the following**: the president of the parish women’s group, or the spiritual advisor, or the pastor or pastoral administrator. If unaffiliated with DCCW, or not supported by the parish pastor, written endorsement from parishioner(s) would be sufficient to warrant review.
- If four or more women from a parish apply for a scholarship, we will request the parish’s or women’s organization’s help in subsidizing attendance.
- Re-application in future years will be subject to review by the Scholarship Committee. Guidelines would again need to be met and an evaluation of the applicant’s growth and commitment to the Church and Council would be assessed.
- If recipient is awarded a Scholarship for two consecutive conventions, she will be asked to wait to reapply to give others this same opportunity.