

Now Accepting Applications for 2020

“Lend a Hand” was created in 2018 by the Holm family to honor the legacy of George Frank Holm. Funds are available yearly to graduating foster youth in Nebraska’s Legislative District 40 (Boyd, Cedar, Dixon, Holt, Knox and Rock counties) as well as in Wayne County.

This memorial fund will bestow up to two awards of \$1,000.00 each year with the intention to aid in continuing the recipient’s education, whether through vocational schooling, college, or, as George often referred to regarding his own learning path, “the school of life.” **To be eligible, applicants must meet the following criteria:**

1. Be a high school graduate or possess a GED under the age of 25 **OR** be on track to graduate high school or complete a GED program by the spring of current academic year.
2. Currently be in foster care or formerly have been in foster care in any of the above listed counties.
3. Provide a letter of recommendation from **at least** one teacher, mentor, or employer.
4. Provide most recent high school transcript at time of application or G.E.D. certificate.
5. Provide a typed response to **each** of the following prompts: **(in total no less than 2 pages, no more than 6 pages, in Times New Roman 12-point font, double spaced, one-inch margins):**

- A) Describe a time you **took initiative** or acted through self-motivation to improve a situation as an individual or as part of a group and summarize what you learned from the experience.
- B) Define what **success** looks like for you.
- C) Outline your **academic, work, or life goals** and explain how funds from this scholarship will help you accomplish them.

The deadline for this year’s application is April 6, 2020. Questions regarding the application process may be directed to Rachael Kallhoff at Building Blocks (402-336-4841) or e-mailed to Karen Holm (kgcleaners@yahoo.com).

For a copy of the application, visit www.builidngblocksforkids.org

**George F. Holm Memorial Fund
c/o Rachael Kallhoff
Building Blocks
118 North 5th Street
O’Neill, NE 68763**

GEORGE F. HOLM MEMORIAL APPLICATION

Please fill in with blue or black ink.

1.	Last Name:	First Name:
2.	Mailing Address Street: City: State: Zip:	
3.	Daytime Telephone Number: () Email Address:	
4.	Date of Birth: Month Day Year Gender:	
5.	A. Attach copy of most recent high school transcript or GED certificate. B. Attach letter of recommendation (may include more than one).	
6.	Name and address of most recent school attended/attending: Expected Graduation Date:	
7.	Name of county/counties in which provided foster care and dates:	
8.	Name & address of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): (Include address if different than your own listed in Question 2.) Name(s): Street: City: State: Zip: Home phone of parents or legal guardians:	

9. In a separate, TYPED document, please respond (2-6 pages in 12-point Times New Roman font, double spaced) to EACH following prompt:

Describe a time in your life when you took initiative and summarize what you learned from the experience.

Define what success looks like for you.

Outline your academic, work, or life goals and explain how funds from this award will help you accomplish them.

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR STUDENTS

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I also consent that if chosen as a Lend a Hand Fund recipient, my picture may be taken and used to promote the scholarship program. (Winner may waive photo due to unusual or compelling circumstances.)

I hereby understand I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this award.

Signature of applicant: _____

Date: _____

Checklist

- Application
- 3 Responses (2-6 pages TOTAL)
- School Transcript
- Letter(s) of Recommendation

MAIL OR DROP OFF COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE TO:

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**The deadline for this application to be received is:
APRIL 6th, 2020 NO EXCEPTIONS!**