

# VIRGINIA LEWIS SCHOLARSHIP

## HEALTHCARE CAREER GRANT

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Virginia Lewis of Ruskin, Nebraska, became a licensed registered professional nurse in 1954. Additionally, she received her bachelor's degree in Psychology and completed her post-graduate program in Operating Room Management in 1959. Initially, Virginia worked as the school nurse in Superior, Nebraska. In 1962, she began her 46-year career at Brodstone Memorial Hospital where she worked in numerous roles. In addition to her work as a floor nurse, she was the Director of Nurses for a number of years and when the need arose, she became the interim administrator of the hospital. However, her absolute favorite role was that of the surgical nurse. In 1991, she was Employee of the Year. In 2020, Virginia's husband, Marvin, alongside their three children created a healthcare scholarship fund to honor her legacy as a nurse for individuals pursuing a career in the healthcare industry.

### APPLICATION CRITERIA

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*Eligibility criteria for these scholarships are as follows:*

- Recipients shall be individuals who wish to work in the medical field, including but not limited to Brodstone Memorial Hospital employees and students who have participated in the Healthcare Pathways Program or its successor, with preference given to graduating high school seniors.
- Recipients shall be seeking post-secondary education at an accredited, non-proprietary college, university, or community college and may be pursuing a degree, certification, or additional coursework that would develop or enhance skills needed to work in a medical setting.
- Preference shall be given to applicants who are residents of Nuckolls County who have an intent to remain in or return to the Nuckolls County area.
- Preference shall be given to those pursuing an education in healthcare; however, applicants who demonstrate an intent to work in a medical setting regardless of field of study shall be eligible.
- Preference may be given to applicants who demonstrate financial need.
- Prior-year recipients may reapply for a scholarship and shall be considered on the same basis as other applicants.
- Scholarships shall be awarded in an objective and nondiscriminatory manner.



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NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT  GUARDIAN  SPOUSE: \_\_\_\_\_  
(check one)

HIGH SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

RANKING (if recent or current graduate) \_\_\_\_\_ (position) IN CLASS OUT OF \_\_\_\_\_ (total) IN CLASS

GRADUATION YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY IN WHICH YOU PLAN TO ENROLL, OR ARE CURRENTLY ENROLLED: \_\_\_\_\_

HAVE YOU BEEN ACCEPTED? \_\_\_\_\_ INTENDED FIELD OF STUDY: \_\_\_\_\_

### PLEASE ATTACH TO THIS APPLICATION:

1. What work, volunteer, or career pathway program experience have you had that is healthcare-related?
2. Why did you decide to pursue this type of healthcare career?
3. In an effort to honor Virginia's legacy, what would it mean to you to receive this scholarship?
4. When finished with your studies, is it your intent to return to the Nuckolls County area for work? If yes, would you be committed to working at Brodstone Memorial Hospital?

### OTHER ATTACHMENTS REQUIRED:

1. Transcript Of High School Or College Grades.
2. Two Professional Letters Of Recommendation.

**Applications are due by April 1<sup>st</sup> to Heather Erickson at [herickson@brodstone.org](mailto:herickson@brodstone.org) • 402-207-1534**

