



## **GUMP AND AYERS SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

### **Single Mothers Enrolled in Higher Education Programs**

The Gump & Ayers Scholarship Fund (GASF), established in 1996 in memory of Marjorie B. Gump, provides a one-time scholarship to a Utah woman who is a high-school graduate and who is a single mother pursuing higher education to provide tools for the financial security and support of herself and her family. Applications are distributed to Utah colleges and universities annually in November and are due March 5. The P.E.O. Sisterhood is a philanthropic educational organization which promotes educational opportunities for women. The GASF is administered by the P.E.O. Foundation and Utah State Chapter of P.E.O. Sisterhood - [www.peoutah.org](http://www.peoutah.org). GASF funds are available after July 1. Additionally, if award is \$4000 or more, it will be paid in two installments. Proof of enrollment will be required for each semester.

### **Eligibility**

The applicant must:

1. Be a U.S. or Canadian citizen or legal permanent resident of the U.S. or Canada
2. Be a single mother.
3. Be a resident of Utah at the time of application.
4. Be a graduate of an accredited high school, or have equivalent educational training, and display high scholastic standards and seriousness of purpose.
5. Be currently enrolled in an accredited college or university in Utah or have proof of acceptance to such an institution.
6. Have realistic and obtainable education objectives.
7. Demonstrate financial need for the GASF to pursue educational goals.
8. Submit all items on Checklist on page 2.

### **Selection Criteria**

Scholarship recipients shall be selected on the basis of current scholastic achievement, potential for success, personal integrity, and financial need. Former recipients or relatives of current GASF Committee members are not eligible. The application of the scholarship recipient shall be forwarded to the trustees of the P.E.O. Foundation for their approval. P.E.O. Foundation scholarship recipients must be citizens or legal permanent residents of the U.S. or Canada, with the exception of scholarships paid to students attending Cottey College.

### **Contact Information**

The GASF committee uses a shared email address for Gump and Ayers Scholarship Fund business. Contact the Chair and committee by emailing: [PEOUTah.GumpAyers@gmail.com](mailto:PEOUTah.GumpAyers@gmail.com). The completed application must be sent or delivered to the GASF Committee and must be **POSTMARKED by March 5**. Late applications will not be considered.