# R.I.S.E. Nursing Scholarship

Supporting current Certified Nursing Assistants (CNAs) who want to continue their medical education.

## History

R.I.S.E. stands for Respecting, Investing, and Supporting Empowerment. This fund was established by a family who saw the impact great CNAs had on the services provided for their mother while she lived at Fairhaven Christian Retirement Center. They also became aware of the barriers that faced CNAs who wished to continue their medical education faced, including but not limited to paying for school. The R.I.S.E. Scholarship is intended to help CNAs who provide exceptional care, respect, and dignity to their patients overcome those barriers and achieve their medical education goals.

The hand of the woman who inspired the R.I.S.E. scholarship is pictured above, holding the hand of her granddaughter.

## Applicants Must:

- Have a nursing aid certificate (CNA) and be currently employed as a CNA at a long-term care facility* in the northern Illinois region.
- Be planning to take classes at an accredited institution in the upcoming school year, working towards a degree or certification in a medical field such as nursing.
- Have a permanent residence in Boone, Winnebago, Ogle, or Stephenson Counties.

**Deadline:** February 1

## Specifications:

- Preference will be given to applicants who currently work as a CNA at Fairhaven Christian Retirement Center in Rockford, IL. Secondary preference will be given to applicants who work with seniors.

*For the purposes of this scholarship, long-term care facility is defined as a facility that provides rehabilitative, restorative, and/or ongoing skilled nursing care to patients or residents in need of assistance with activities of daily living. This can include assisted living facilities, nursing homes, or skilled nursing facilities.

## To Apply:

Visit [cfnil.org/scholarships](cfnil.org/scholarships) and follow the instructions under “How to Register & Apply”.

When you’re ready, look for the 🌟 Application Portal link to start your application.

CFNIL’s online application will automatically match you to every one of CFNIL’s 90+ scholarships for which you are eligible. CFNIL awards more than $300,000 in scholarships every year. The deadline for scholarship applications is February 1.

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