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**North Georgia Community Foundation Scholarships Application Period Open**  
*Deadline for high school seniors to apply is March 5*

**GAINESVILLE, Ga. (Jan., 2015)** – The North Georgia Community Foundation has opened the application period for scholarships administered by the Foundation. The deadline for area high school seniors to apply is March 5.

In 2014, the North Georgia Community Foundation awarded 145 scholarships from 26 scholarship funds established by donors at the Foundation, totaling more than \$180,000.

The scholarships are available to high school seniors who are graduating in 2015. Each scholarship fund is established by an individual donor and has its own specific purpose and eligibility criteria. Awards vary in size depending on the amount available in the fund.

Students in the Foundation's 15-county service area of Banks, Dawson, Fannin, Forsyth, Franklin, Habersham, Hall, Hart, Jackson, Lumpkin, Rabun, Stephens, Towns, Union and White counties are eligible to apply for scholarships applicable to them.

Applications and more information about the eligibility requirements for each scholarship can be downloaded at [www.ngcf.org/scholarships](http://www.ngcf.org/scholarships). Students may apply for as many scholarships as they choose as long as they meet eligibility requirements. Applications will be accepted through March 5 unless otherwise specified.

Founded in 1985 by Lou Fockele and other business leaders, the North Georgia Community Foundation is dedicated to enhancing the spirit and quality of life in the Northeast Georgia community by building, managing and awarding charitable grants from a pool of community funds valued in excess of \$40 million. To date, more than \$45 million in grants have been awarded. The organization also promotes training and networking among the region's nearly 300 non-profits. For more information, please contact the foundation at [www.ngcf.org](http://www.ngcf.org) or call (770) 535-7880 ext. 226.

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