

Description and General Statement of Intent

THE SMITH EDUCATIONAL FUND

South Hadley, Massachusetts

The Smith Educational Fund is a perpetual trust fund established by the will of Miss Jennie W. Smith. It was given in memory of Mr. Ellis R. Smith who died in 1943 and Miss Jennie W. Smith, who died in 1952, both being lifelong residents of South Hadley. The Trustee is Bank of America of Springfield, Massachusetts.

The purpose of the trust is to assist students residing in the Town of South Hadley, Massachusetts, desirous of procuring a higher education to prepare and train them for a trade or profession. The Trustee shall hold, manage, invest, and re-invest the trust fund in perpetuity and pay or apply the income therefrom only for charitable and educational purposes.

The income from this trust shall be administered by a Committee of three persons, said persons being those who from time to time shall hold the following offices:

Principal of the South Hadley High School

Superintendent of Schools for South Hadley

Chairperson of the School Committee for South Hadley

These members shall serve without compensation. This Committee shall determine which applicants shall receive aid and how much, and in so doing the average boy or girl shall not be overlooked. They shall notify the Trustee of the fund, who out of income only insofar as said Trustee is able, shall make payments in such amounts as directed to the parent or legal guardian of the applicants chosen by the Committee or to the educational institution attended by said applicants, said funds to be used solely for the benefit of the applicants so chosen. Applications for aid may be made to the Committee, through parents or guardian, by an American born boy or girl between the ages of fourteen and twenty, residing in South Hadley, Massachusetts. They shall use their own judgment regarding character and qualifications of applicants, may take into consideration expenses for board, books, tuition, transportation in or out of town, instruction in vocational, manual training or trade schools or any school of a similar character. They shall aim to supplement rather than compete with the public schools in any way.

An annual report shall be made to the Town by the Trustee showing:

1. The amount of income received from this Fund.
2. The amount paid on Committee orders.
3. The amount of the Fund at the time the report is made.
4. The expense incurred by the Trustee in carrying out the provisions of this Fund.
5. The amount returned by students who have received aid from this Fund.

All students benefited by this Fund are expected, so far as possible, although under no legal obligation to do so, to return at some future time to the Trustee an amount equivalent to the amount received by them, thereby becoming partners in the plan, all such sums to be added to and become a part of the principal Fund.

Applications for assistance under the provisions of the Smith Educational Fund may be filed at any time with the Committee. Forms may be obtained at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools, Town Hall, 116 Main Street, South Hadley, Massachusetts.

The Committee reserves the right to make payments directly to institutions.

ORIGINAL APPLICATION FORM

SMITH EDUCATIONAL FUND – SOUTH HADLEY

NAME _____

HOME ADDRESS _____ Telephone No. _____

Place of Birth _____ Birth Date _____

School or college now attending _____ Present Class _____

Is your father living? Yes _____ No _____ Is your mother living? Yes _____ No _____

FAMILY PERSONAL DATA:

Father's Name _____

Mother's Name _____

Brothers and Sisters

Name	Age	School and Grade (if attending)
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

EDUCATIONAL – VOCATIONAL OBJECTIVES: (List occupation for which preparing)

1st Choice _____

2nd Choice _____

3rd Choice _____

School or college you are to attend: _____

School/college address _____

Major field _____ Length of school or college program _____ years

Degree expected upon graduation _____

Applicant's statement: (Please summarize here your educational objectives and your reasons for selecting the particular college and course indicated above.)

SCHOOL RECORDS:

Elementary School attended _____

High School attended _____ Years _____

Average High School Grade A B C D

Academic and activities record: Check where applicable:

Honor Roll	Athletics (list)
National Honor Society	
Merit Scholarship (percentile)	
Pro Merito	
Other Academic Honors (list)	
	Boy Scouts
	Girl Scouts
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Debate	Comment: List any items you feel of interest, including leadership awards, etc.
Yearbook	
Art	
Band	
Chorus	
Drama	
Other	

Usual recreational activities: _____

Books read during the past year: _____

Magazines and newspapers read with frequency: _____

We have read the Smith Educational Fund description and general statement of intent. We agree, if a grant is awarded, to cooperate with the Committee by filing such reports as are requested as a matter of record.

Student's Signature _____

Parent's Signature _____