

## **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 no student shall 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 student 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**

Deadline May 22, 2026

**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)**

**1<sup>st</sup> Choice** \_\_\_\_\_

**2<sup>nd</sup> Choice** \_\_\_\_\_

**3<sup>rd</sup> 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
	4-H
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 \_\_\_\_\_

**SMITH EDUCATIONAL FUND**  
**Financial Resources Summary**  
**(Must accompany both original and renewal application)**

COLLEGE EXPENSES FOR \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL YEAR:

Regular College Tuition Fee \_\_\_\_\_

Books and Educational Fees \_\_\_\_\_

Room and Board \_\_\_\_\_

Transportation \_\_\_\_\_

Other Expenses \_\_\_\_\_

Resources:

Cash and Savings \_\_\_\_\_

Value of any Scholarships \_\_\_\_\_

From the college \_\_\_\_\_

Other scholarships \_\_\_\_\_

List award and amount:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE SUBMIT THE STUDENT FINANCIAL AID REPORT SUMMARY WITH YOUR APPLICATION.**

Anticipated Earnings

Summer \_\_\_\_\_

During school year \_\_\_\_\_

From the family \_\_\_\_\_

Planned loans:

From the college \_\_\_\_\_

Bank \_\_\_\_\_

State of Massachusetts \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

FAMILY EMPLOYMENT STATUS:

Father: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Annual income, including overtime, bonuses, etc.  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Annual income, including overtime, bonuses, etc.  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other family members employed and contributing to family income: NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Place of employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Annual income: \_\_\_\_\_

Family income from other sources: \_\_\_\_\_