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Scholarships available

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Littleton Garden Club

Our stunning landscapes running from the White Mountains to our coastline rely on a healthy environment. Protecting our natural resources requires a skilled workforce. Garden Club scholarships are available to New Hampshire college students who dedicate their studies to conservation, forestry, and plant sciences to name a few. The hope is to empower the next generation of environmental leaders.

Littleton Garden Club is a member of the NH federation of Garden Clubs and the National Garden Club. They offer scholarship opportunities each year. Applying for them can be such a reward for

those in certain fields of study.

Accepted majors: There is a variety of subjects included. Applicants should be college students majoring in one of the following:

- Agronomy
- Agriculture Education
- Floriculture
- Horticulture
- Landscape Design
- Botany, Biology
- Forestry
- Wildlife Science
- Plant Pathology/Science
- Rural & Urban Planning
- Habitat or Forest/Systems Ecology
- Environmental Concerns or horticulture
- Resource/Environmental Behavior
- Environmental Conservation (inc. Engineering, Law etc.)

• Land Management
Deadlines: These tend to be less competitive scholarships which increases the opportunities for those that try. The important thing is to act soon as the deadlines are Feb. 1 and March 31.

Scholarship Details

- The NGC and NHFGC Scholarships are for US citizens/students already in college.
- NGC awards many scholarships up to \$4,000.
- The NHFGC scholarship is \$4500.
- Students must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.25 (on a 4.0 scale).

Full information on requirements and application forms can be found at: <https://www.gardenclub.org/college-scholarships>.

Conclusion: More

than 1.7 million scholarship programs are awarded to eligible students a year. Since multiple scholarships can be used at a time, it's possible to offset a huge chunk of the cost of college or even get a degree for free.

Will a north country college student take advantage of this fine resource?

We hope so. It might lessen financial hurdles and pave the way for a fulfilling career in environmental stewardship. We all may benefit as a result.

Littleton Garden Club urges you to share this with talented young people you may know.

For more information about our club or our meetings please visit:

<https://www.littletonhgardenclub.org/>.