

Mark Carr Scholarship Award

The **Mark Carr Scholarship Award** honors the memory of Mark Carr, former Fire Chief of New Britain, CT. Carr was dedicated to bringing a high level of competence to the New Britain Fire Department through training, continuous education, and fostering community spirit. Prior to his passing in August 2014, Mark Carr worked in the Homeland Security sector in Washington, DC where he was responsible for overseeing disaster preparedness, response, and security for the nation. The Mark Carr Scholarship Award was created to continue the legacy of public service that defined his life as well as his passion for continuous learning.

The Mark Carr scholarship award aims to foster education and support for individuals undertaking Public Safety Administration Education, or where students pursue studies to eventually work in the public sector in the field of homeland security, emergency management, or fire sciences.

Scholarship Eligibility Criteria:

- The scholarship award is open to any **full-time or part-time** Charter Oak State College **student** currently participating in the **Public Safety** Administration Program.
- Preference given to **students who have completed at least six months** of study in the Public Safety Administration Program.
- Applicants must have a **minimum B grade** or cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent.
- Scholarships will be distributed in the amount of **\$500** and must be used for tuition and fees.
- Scholarship funds are not renewable.

Scholarship Application Process:

Applicants must provide the following materials on or before the application deadline. No late or incomplete submissions will be considered.

- **Confirmation letter** or document **from Charter Oak Advisor** that you are participating in PSA Education. The letter must indicate your designated field of study, current grade point average, anticipated graduation date and degree, and be signed by the Charter Oak Advisor.
- **One letter of reference** attesting to the applicant's character, leadership and academic ability, and must indicate the relationship between the reference and the applicant. (An immediate family member may not submit reference letters.)
- **A 500-word essay** indicating the applicant's interest in the designated field of study.
- A **completed application form**.
- The complete packet must be received by **Sunday, September 15, 2019** for awards that will be applicable to the current academic year.

Submit the completed application package to:

Email: foundation@charteroak.edu

Mail: Charter Oak State College Foundation
55 Paul Manafort Sr. Drive
New Britain, CT 06053
ATTN: Carol Hall

Applicant Information – Mark Carr Scholarship

Last Name First Name MI ID Number

Street Address City State Zip

Phone Number Email Address

Marital Status: Single Married Divorced Separated

Number of Dependents and Ages: _____

Academic Information

Degree Program: Associate Baccalaureate | Major/Concentration: _____ GPA: _____

Have you ever received any form of financial aid from Charter Oak? If so, when _____

Employment Information

Briefly describe your current job/field of employment: _____

Employer: _____
Name City State

Spouse's Occupation: _____

Spouse's Employer: _____
Company Name City State

Does your employer provide tuition assistance? No Yes Amount Per Year \$ _____

Financial Information

List current annual gross (before taxes) **household income.** \$ _____

Write (or attach) a short statement describing your financial need: _____

- Advisor Confirmation Letter attached**
- One Letter of Reference attached**
- 500-word essay attached**
- By signing below, I attest that the information in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.**

Applicant's Signature Date