

The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc.

Student Scholarships Grant Awards 2026

GCG provided \$95,000.00 in grants to 20 students for the 2026-2027 academic term.

We are thankful to all who have contributed to the GCG Scholarship Program.

We received 44 Named Scholarships totaling \$58,535.00. In addition, we granted \$36,465.00 through Patrons of Scholarships, General Fund contributions, along with interest & dividend income from Brown Thrasher and Cherokee Rose Investment Accounts.

Congratulations to our students on their many achievements. We send our very best wishes as they continue their studies and move into their careers.

Laurel District

The Laurel District Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Established in 2016, this year is presented in honor of their Garden Clubs, Councils and members.	
The Garden Club of Ellijay Scholarship	\$2,000.00
Established in 2022 to honor the service of the club to their community.	
The James M. (Jim) Grimes Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Established in 2023, given in memory by his family.	
The Carolyn Hawkins Scholarship	
Established in 2025 in memory of Arnold D. Hawkins.	\$2,000.00
The Jody Hunter Scholarship	\$2,500.00
Established in 2023 & given in his memory by Diane Hunter.	
The Caroline Romberg Silcox Scholarship	\$2,200.00
Established in her memory by family and friends.	

Azalea District

The Azalea District Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Established in 2026 in honor of Jane Edmunds, Azalea District Director 2023-2025.	
The Pine Needle Garden Club, Augusta Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Established by The Augusta Council of Garden Clubs, Inc.	
In honor of the 2025 Club of the Year.	
The Ladies' Garden Club Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Established in 2018 in honor of the club and their members.	

Oleander District

The Oleander District Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Established in 2014 in honor of its clubs and members.	
The Lisa Hall Scholarship.	\$1,000.00
Established in 2025, to honor Anne Gardener, a longtime friend and garden club mentor.	
The Garden Club of Savannah	\$1,000.00
Established in 2026 in honor of Cindy Meyer, President 2023-2025.	
The Landings Garden Club Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Established in 2014, this year in honor of Dawn Cordo.	
The David L. Shaw Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Established in 2022 by Geri Shaw in memory of her husband.	
The Brenda Griner Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Established in honor of Ina Hopkins for her dedication to GCG as Headquarters House & Operations Chairman.	

Camellia District

The Camellia District Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Established in 2011 in honor of the Camellia District Directors.	
The Bobbie Appling Scholarship.	
Established in 2026 in her honor by The Federated Garden Clubs of Macon, Inc.	\$1,000.00
The House & Garden Scholarship	\$1,535.00
Established in 2025 by its members to honor seventy years of service by the club.	
The Barbara Jones Scholarship	\$1,500.00
Established in 2023, given in loving memory of her husband, Lynn L. Jones.	
The Mary Tomlinson Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Established in 2025 in memory of Lucille Burgess, Killarney Queen Garden Club.	

Magnolia District

The Magnolia Garden Club, Fort Valley Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Established in 2022, to honor the club and their members.	

Dogwood District

The Dogwood District Scholarship	\$2,000.00
Established in 2016 in honor of its clubs and members.	
The Ama-Kanasta Garden Club Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Established in 2011 by its members in honor of the club.	
The Club Estates Garden Club Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Established in 2022 to honor their members and many years of service to the community.	
The Fulton Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Established in 2026 in honor of the Federation and its members.	
The Garnett Hanna Cobb Scholarship	\$5,000.00
Established in 2013 by Jane Whiteman and Terry Waith; continued by Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Cobb in memory of his mother, a founding member of fifty years in the Sandy Springs Garden Club, Sandy Springs.	
The James R. Cothran Landscape Architecture Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Established in 2011 in tribute to his memory by Lee & Michael Dunn.	
The Mrs. Sammie S. Flaherty Scholarship	\$1,500.00
Established in 2008 by Nancy Moses in loving memory of her mother, an educator, librarian and Life Member and Former President of Hilltop Garden Club, Augusta.	
The Stanley D. Moses Scholarship	\$1,500.00
Established in Stan's honor in 2014 and in loving memory in 2020 by Nancy Moses.	
The Norcross Garden Club Scholarship	\$1,000.00 + 1K for Patrons
Established in 2019, in honor of the clubs and their members.	
The Deen Day Sanders Scholarship	\$1,300.00
Established in honor of Deen by her friends and family.	
The Deen Day Sanders Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Established in 2026 in her honor by Bellmere Garden Club.	
The Bettye Trankina Scholarship	\$2,000.00
Established in 2023 by Alpharetta Garden Club in her honor.	

Redbud District

The Redbud District Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Established in 2021 honoring Redbud District clubs and councils.	
The Avondale Estates Garden Club Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Established in 2022 in honor of the club and their members.	
The Alice Boyd Memorial Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Established in her honor by her many friends.	

The DeKalb County Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. Scholarship Established in 2020 in honor of their clubs and members.	\$1,000.00
The Sharon R. Denney Horticulture Scholarship Established in 2020 in tribute to his memory by Mary W. Denney.	\$1,000.00
The Dunwoody Garden Club Scholarship Established in 2020, this year is given in celebration of our 2025 accomplishments, including a statue at the Dunwoody library and the Doug Tallamy event.	\$1,000.00
The Dunwoody Garden Club Scholarship Established in 2020, this year is given in honor of the Dunwoody Parks and Recreation Department.	\$1,000.00
The Jody Hunter Scholarship Established in 2023 & given in his memory by Diane Hunter.	\$2,500.00
The Jim and Lorraine Loftis Scholarship Established in 2018 by Nanette Loftis in loving memory of her parents.	\$1,000.00
The Frank Mullins Scholarship Established in 2026 in honor of Dr. Harry R. Hurst.	\$1,000.00
The Friends of Garden Club Scholarship Established in 2026 anonymously in memory of Carolyn Childers & Eunice Robertson.	\$1,000.00

***Please visit our website and read of our students Scholarship grants awarded in 2026.
Scholarship information is found under the Member Resources tab.***

<https://gardenclubofgeorgia.org/membership-scholarships/>

The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc.

Patrons of Scholarships May 2025 – April 2026

Contributions of \$200.00 or more allow us to further benefit students with our grants!

Laurel District I

Crabapple Garden Club, in memory of Caroline Silcox.

Commerce Garden Club

Fleur De Lis Garden Club

Carolyn Hawkins, in honor of Deen Day Sanders.

Lawrenceville Garden Club

Magnolia Garden Club

Mountain View Garden Club, donated to the Cherokee Rose Fund.

Seven Hills Garden Club

Hazel Ruth Stephens, given in her memory by The Garden Club of Ellijay and many friends.

Azalea District II

Augusta Council of Garden Clubs

Burkeland Garden Club

Carrington Woods Garden Club

Cherokee Rose Garden Club

Nancy Hart Garden Club

Jane Hersey, in memory of Caroline Silcox

Jane Hersey, in memory of Phyllis Doran

Milledgeville Garden Club, in honor of Martha Herren.

Milledgeville Garden Club, in honor of Kelly Thomas

Pine Tree Garden Club, in honor of Sylvia Floyd.

Rosemary & Thyme Garden Club

Spade & Trowel Garden Club, in honor of President Susan Hadden.

Oleander District III

Oleander District, in honor of President Diane Hunter.

Hamilton Plantation Garden Club

Sprig 'N' Dig Garden Club

Camellia District IV

Camellia District, in honor of President Diane Hunter.

Green Acres Garden Club

Killarney Queen Garden Club

Lady Banks Garden Club

Quitman Garden Club

Magnolia District V

Magnolia District, in honor of President Diane Hunter.

Butler Garden Club, in honor of President Sybil Willingham.

Columbus Council of Garden Clubs, in honor of Stacy Poydaseff.

Village Green Garden Club, in honor of Mary Shipman Shelnutt.

Dogwood District VI

Dogwood District, in honor of President Diane Hunter.

Alpharetta Garden Club, in honor of President Mary Lee.

Boxwood Garden Club, in honor of Linda Fraser.

Camellia Garden Club

Linda & Dave Doiron

Druid Hills Garden Club

Fulton Federation of Garden Clubs, in honor of Wendy Chambers.

Indian Creek Garden Club

Norcross Garden Club, in honor of Florence Lytle.

Norcross Garden Club, in honor of Carol MacGregor.

Norcross Garden Club, in honor of Sandra Pagano.

Norcross Garden Club, in honor of Teresa Stoker.

Norcross Garden Club, in honor of Meryl Wilkerson.

Northwood Garden Club

Rose Garden Club

Deen Day Sanders

Deen Day Sanders in Memory of Alice Boyd.

Deen Day Sanders in Memory of Caroline Silcox.

Spade & Trowel Garden Club

Roswell Garden Club, in honor of Roswell Club Members.

Sandy Springs Garden Club

Spade & Trowel Garden Club

Spalding Garden Club, in honor of Spalding Club Members.

Town & County Garden Club

Redbud District VII

Redbud District, in honor of Deen Day Sanders.

Avon Garden Club

Avondale Estates Garden Club, in memory of Pat Maddox.

Rigby & Jack Duncan

Lullwater Garden Club

McDonough Garden Club

Moonflower Garden Club

Susan Turner, in honor of our students' achievements.

Friends of GCG

All-in Promotional

The American Iris Society, Region 5 and The Georgia Iris Society, in honor of Deen Day Sanders.

Big Peach Antique Mall

Bluebird Corporation

Flint Energies

Genuine Georgia

Georgia Iris Society, in honor of the GIS and their members.

Gravestones by Rooks

Lane Southern Orchards

Beth & Tom Maentz in Memory of Caroline Silcox.

Tom and Joanne Maentz in Memory of Caroline Silcox.

Rupert Hardware

Spears Heating and Cooling

State Farm Insurance, Paul Capista

Tapatio Mexican Restaurant