



KARISSA “KARI” HAMAKER PERFORMING ARTS SCHOLARSHIP

The Karissa “Kari” Hamaker Performing Arts Scholarship is awarded to a student in Marshall, Olivet or the surrounding area, during school or upon graduation, seeking a degree in Performing Arts or for additional enrichment opportunities in performing art. Applicants must demonstrate financial need. GPA is not a qualifying factor; however, transcripts and test scores are required. Students who receive this scholarship are encouraged to apply for further support in subsequent years.

Essay Questions for **College** scholarship: 1) Why have you chosen to go into your particular field of performing arts? 2) What goals and objectives have you set for yourself regarding college study and pursuit of a career in the performing arts?

Essay Questions for **Enrichment** scholarship: 1) Write a paragraph describing the program in which you wish to participate. Include copies of the printed materials from this program. 2) Describe your current, past and anticipated studies in this field and how it has changed your life. 3) Please describe the financial need for the scholarship. Explain how you will assist in raising money to attend this program.

Recommendation Letters: Two required- Please provide one recommendation letter from a teacher/mentor with whom you have studied, and one from an adult member of the community (not a family member).

Financial Criteria for **College** Scholarship: Yes, complete the financial information portion of the online application and upload the first page only of your FAFSA Student Aid Report.

Application Process: Complete the online application found on the Marshall Community Foundation website: marshallcf.org/receive/scholarships/apply/. This is a new process, so please contact the Foundation for assistance or with any questions you may have.

Deadline: March 1

Contact: Marshall Community Foundation 269.781.2273, e-mail: info@marshallcf.org, website: www.marshallcf.org.