



John and Beverly Carson 2023 SCHOLARSHIP

The Texas Pharmacy Foundation (TPF) offers the John and Beverly Carson Scholarship in the amount of \$500 each to two students pursuing a career in pharmacy at an accredited Texas school or college of pharmacy. The scholarships are designed to help cover expenses related to the recipient's attendance at the annual TPA Conference & Expo.

Background

In July 2017, longtime Texas Pharmacy Association member and past president John Carson and his wife Beverly died in a single-vehicle accident on the opening day of the annual TPA Conference & Expo. An innovative, generous, and legendary pharmacist, John served in pharmacy leadership positions at the local, state, and national level and was an inspirational friend and mentor to many in TPA. John was the founder of San Antonio's Oakdell Pharmacy, and the Carsons dedicated much of their professional and personal lives to pharmacy advocacy. John often said, "Get into politics or get out of pharmacy!" Their hard work was inspiring to those around them, including countless numbers of pharmacy students. This scholarship honors their memory and continues their dream and legacy of inspiring tomorrow's pharmacists to do the same.

Eligibility Criteria

Pharmacy students entering their second (P2), third (P3) or fourth (P4) professional year in the fall of 2023 with a minimum GPA of 2.5 on a scale of 4.0 in required courses are eligible. In addition, the applicant must be a student member of the Texas Pharmacy Association. Preference will be given to applicants who have completed TPA's Student Pharmacists Advocacy and Relations (SPARx) Program—which educates and engages students in advocating and building positive relationships with the community, inter-professional colleagues, legislative officials, and regulatory officials—and/or who have been involved in their school's NCPA student chapter or other advocacy efforts. Selection will be based on financial need and the potential to become a leader for Texas pharmacy.

Students should provide completed applications and supporting documents to the following point person at their school or college by April 24, 2023:

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| • Texas A&M University | Amanda Galindo, Ed.D. (galindo@tamu.edu) |
| • Texas Southern University | John Harrell, Ed.D. (john.harrell@tsu.edu) |
| • Texas Tech University | Michal Hodge (sopscholarships@ttuhsc.edu) |
| • University of Houston | David Wallace, Pharm.D. (dwallace@uh.edu) |
| • University of the Incarnate Word | Amy Diepenbrock, Ph.D. (diepenbr@uiwtx.edu) |
| • University of North Texas | Megan Wesling, Pharm.D. (megan.wesling@unthsc.edu) |
| • The University of Texas at Austin | Justin Samuel, Ph.D. (jsamuel@austin.utexas.edu) |
| • The University of Texas at El Paso | Carmen Ramos, M.A. (crtorres2@utep.edu) |
| • The University of Texas at Tyler | Elizabeth Yett, Pharm.D. (eyett@uttyler.edu) |

Presentation

Scholarship winners will be recognized during the 2023 TPA Conference & Expo, July 28–30 in Houston.

**John and Beverly Carson
2023 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Name of applicant: _____

Current address: _____

Permanent address: _____

Check the mailing address you prefer: Current Permanent

Phone number: (_____) _____

School e-mail: _____ Personal e-mail: _____

School or College of Pharmacy: _____

Will you be enrolled full-time this fall and next spring? _____

Check the academic year of the professional sequence of courses you will be entering this fall:

P2 Year P3 Year P4 Year

Your GPA last semester (indicate scale): _____ Cumulative pharmacy GPA: _____

Are you a TPA member? Yes No

Are you employed? Yes No If yes, how many hours do you work each week? _____

Name and address of employer, if applicable: _____

Do you have pharmacy work experience? Yes No

If yes, how many years/months and what practice setting(s)? _____

Please list pharmacy organizations in which you are involved: _____

Please list offices held in organizations: _____

Please list community involvement/activities: _____

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:

1. One-page essay (approx. 500 words, single-spaced) explaining your financial need, how the funds are to be used, how you have demonstrated a passion for advocacy and legislative affairs, why involvement in professional associations matters to you, and your future goals as a pharmacist.
2. Current CV/resume.
3. Letter of recommendation from a Texas pharmacist (such as a faculty member, preceptor, or supervisor).
4. Letter from your College of Pharmacy or School of Pharmacy verifying your GPA.