The Texas Pharmacy Foundation (TPF) offers the Marvin Shepherd Scholarship in the award amount of $1,500 for up to three graduate students pursuing an M.S. or Ph.D. degree at an accredited Texas school or college of pharmacy doing research in the area of community pharmacy outcomes.

**Background**
This scholarship is sponsored by The Partnership for Safe Medicines (PSM), of which the Texas Pharmacy Association is a member. PSM is a public health group committed to the safety of prescription drugs and protecting consumers against counterfeit, substandard, or otherwise unsafe medicines. Dr. Marvin Shepherd, a longtime professor at The University of Texas at Austin College of Pharmacy, served PSM for 18 years and retired as its Board President in 2021. This scholarship honors Dr. Shepherd’s commitment to medication safety and community pharmacy.

**Eligibility Criteria**
Graduate students who have earned a Pharm.D. or B.S. from an ACPE-accredited pharmacy degree program and are enrolled in an M.S. or Ph.D. program in the fall of 2023 with a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a scale of 4.0 in required courses are eligible. In addition, the applicant must be a pharmacist member of the Texas Pharmacy Association (TPA) and doing research in the area of community pharmacy outcomes. Selection will be based on financial need, academic achievement, extracurricular activities, and/or other criteria.

Graduate students should provide completed applications and supporting documents to the following point person at their school or college by **April 24, 2023**:
- 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 Teresa Carlisle (teresa.carlisle@ttuhsc.edu)
- University of Houston Brian Knoll, Ph.D. (bknoll@central.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.
Marvin Shepherd
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? _____________________________

Your GPA last semester (indicate scale): ________________  Cumulative 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 organizations in which you are involved: _______________________________________

Please describe research focus: _________________________________________________________

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, why involvement in professional associations matters to you, and your research/interest in the area of community pharmacy outcomes.
2. Current CV.
3. Letter of recommendation from a faculty member, adviser, or employer.
4. Letter from your College of Pharmacy or School of Pharmacy verifying your GPA.