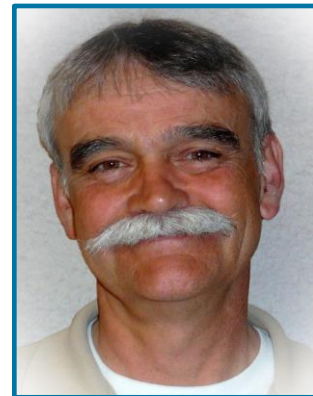


Gold Cross Ambulance Scholarship Fund

Background:

The Gold Cross Ambulance Scholarship Fund was established in memory of Steven E. Gerbers, to financially assist students who are interested in pursuing a profession as a Paramedic. Steve started his employment with Gold Cross Ambulance Service as a paramedic in August 1979. During his 29 years of service, he was promoted to Paramedic Supervisor and then to the Communications Supervisor. Steve passed away in December 2008 while still employed at Gold Cross Ambulance Service.

Steve was a veteran of the U.S. Navy and served during the Vietnam War from 1969 to 1973. He was an avid outdoorsman who loved fishing and hunting. He enjoyed spending time at the cabin he built near Wabeno, WI. Steve, or “Gerbs” as his co-workers referred to him, truly enjoyed helping people in their time of need. He felt being a paramedic was an extremely gratifying profession. He was very well-respected during his tenure at Gold Cross Ambulance Service.



Eligibility: (taken into consideration to determine recipients)

- Students enrolled in a Paramedic program as a full-time student at one of the following technical colleges:
 - Fox Valley Technical College
 - Lakeshore Technical College
 - Moraine Park Technical College
 - Northeast Wisconsin Technical College
- Preference may be given to students enrolled in an associate degree Paramedic program
- Minimum cumulative 2.5 GPA
- Volunteer or other experiences within health-related fields
- Community Service
- Financial need will be considered

Award Amount:

Two non-renewable \$1,000 scholarship awards for tuition expenses, payable after successful completion of the first semester.

Selection:

Recipients are recommended each spring by the Gold Cross Ambulance Scholarship Selection Committee within the Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region.

Collecting the Award & Payment Procedure:

Recipients must fill out and submit Scholarship Acceptance Form and Scholarship Verification Form through the [Scholarship Portal](https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=cffvrscholar) (<https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=cffvrscholar>). Recipients are required to provide supporting documents *as instructed* in the Scholarship Verification Form, such as class registration/list **with** credits listed, proof of major, grade transcript, etc.

After approval of online Scholarship Verification Form, the scholarship check will be paid directly to the school the recipient will be attending. The **Community Foundation communicates with students via email**; it is the student's responsibility to keep their Scholarship Portal account updated with their current email address.

Loss of Eligibility:

Failure to successfully complete the first semester of the Paramedic Program with a minimum 2.5 GPA and continue to maintain full-time student status in the Paramedic program for the second semester at one of the technical colleges listed above.

Further Information:

- Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region
 - Website www.cffoxvalley.org/scholarships/
 - Email scholarships@cffoxvalley.org
 - Phone 920.702.7629