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New Jersey League for Nursing (NJLN), Inc.

The New Jersey League for Nursing, Inc. to Award \$100,000 in Nursing Scholarships in Support of New Jersey Nurse Education.

NJLN to administer the 2025 Dr. Maureen Sullivan Foley Memorial Scholarship Awards through a grant provided by the Community Health Connections Foundation, Inc.

Westfield, NJ The New Jersey League for Nursing (NJLN), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting nurse education excellence, has announced that they will proudly award \$100,000 in scholarships this year for New Jersey nursing students pursuing their Bachelor of Science (BSN), Master of Science (MSN), and Doctorate (PhD, EdD, DNP, DNS) degrees, with the intent to remain in New Jersey to practice, benefiting the health of the communities in which they serve.

These awards are made possible through the Community Health Connections Foundation (CHCF), Inc., a private grant-making foundation. This marks the sixth consecutive year that the NJLN and CHCF have collaborated to provide scholarships to assist New Jersey nurses with their education as they enter and progress in the nursing profession. This partnership will result in over \$430,000 in scholarships given by the end of 2025.

This year the NJLN is proud to award eight Dr. Maureen Sullivan Foley Memorial Scholarships:

- \$20,000 for a Doctorate Degree (PhD, EdD, DNP, DNS)—Two (2) Awards
- \$10,000 for a Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) Degree—Two (2) Awards
- \$10,000 for a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) Degree—Four (4) Awards

“We are honored that the Community Health Connections Foundation (CHCF) has once again selected the NJLN to receive this \$100,000 grant that continues to significantly enhance our nursing scholarship program. This demonstrates the CHCF's strong commitment to supporting nursing education at all levels—a crucial investment as we work to build a strong and diverse nursing workforce and address our state nursing shortage.

Supporting students in achieving their academic goals through financial assistance is a cornerstone of the NJLN's mission. These scholarships also honor the legacy of Dr. Maureen Sullivan Foley, a visionary nurse leader and past NJLN president who was deeply committed to advancing nursing education. Dr. Foley championed the investment in nurses' education as a means to address the health needs of New Jersey's diverse communities. Each scholarship reflects her lifelong dedication to strengthening the nursing profession," said Donna M. Penn, DNP, RN, CNE, NEA-BC, NJLN President.

The NJLN is now accepting scholarship applications through Monday, August 18. To learn more about the eligibility criteria and submission details, visit the NJLN website, www.njln.org.

The Dr. Maureen Sullivan Foley Memorial Scholarship Awards will be presented in the fall, and the recipients will be honored during the 2025 NJLN Nurse Recognition and Scholarship Awards event on November 7, at the Pines Manor in Edison, New Jersey, in support of nursing education excellence.

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About the New Jersey League for Nursing, Inc.

The New Jersey League for Nursing (NJLN) promotes excellence in nursing education to build a strong and diverse nursing workforce to advance the health of our state, nation and the global community. The NJLN is a diverse and inclusive organization proudly celebrating 110 years as a professional nursing organization. To learn more, visit www.njln.org.

About the Community Health Connections Foundation, Inc.

The Foundation's proud mission is to operate exclusively to provide support for charitable purposes, by connecting grants and donations to non-profit and federally tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organizations and programs that are dedicated to health, healthcare services, and health education in the State of New Jersey. Through innovative strategic collaborations and resource connections, the most vulnerable individuals, families, and unmet community health needs will most benefit from the services and opportunities that will enable them to achieve their best quality of life and full potential.