



2023 Mission Scholarship Application

Background and award criteria

The Mustard Seed Fund was established in 2011 as a perpetual legacy to the memory of Wilmington residents Dr. Byron Stratas and Fred Rippy. The Endowment provides small grants to support high school or college students or adults from Southeastern North Carolina who are participating in mission trips through qualified 501(c)3 charities and faith-based organizations.

****The review committee will only consider applications for mission trips that begin after June 1, 2023****

**Application packet (completed application and two letters of reference)
must be *received* by **Friday, April 7, 2023**.**

Contact Information	
Name	
Mailing Address	
City, State, Zip	
Preferred Phone	
E-Mail Address	
School currently attending or	
Occupation	
If student, provide parent name(s)	
Parent contact information	

Mission Trip Information	
Name of Mission Trip	
Trip Dates	
Name of Sponsoring Organization	
Organization Mailing Address	
Organization contact name	
Contact's telephone and email	
Cost of this trip	
Amount you already have	
Other potential funding sources	

Mission-Related Information

Special Skills and Talents: List any special skills or talents you have that you hope to use during this mission trip (eg. Medical, foreign language, teaching, construction, leadership, artistic, musical, etc.):

Essay

In five to eight sentences, please explain why you wish to participate in this mission trip and why you are applying for financial support.

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References: Please attach two letters of reference to the completed application form. One of the letters should be **from the local director of your mission trip**. Letters should include the name, title, and contact information for the reference. The Review Committee will not consider late or incomplete applications. We will notify award recipients of their selection in May. **Payment will be made directly to the organization sponsoring your trip.**

Please mail completed scholarship application and two letters of reference by Friday, April 7, 2023 to:

**Mustard Seed Fund
c/o North Carolina Community Foundation
1213 Culbreth Drive
Wilmington, NC 28405**

Questions? Email bjenkins@nccommunityfoundation.org or call 910-782-2895 for information.