



ANGEL

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Turning taxes into tuition
with the Catholic Community Foundation*

Frequently Asked Questions

What is Ohio's new Scholarship Tax-Credit Program?

Begun in 2021, Ohio General Assembly established a new program whereby Ohioans can receive a 100% tax credit against Ohio income tax liability for cash contributions to certified organizations that grant scholarships to students, including those attending Catholic schools. The maximum credit amount is currently \$750 (\$1,500 if married filing jointly).

Who will benefit from this Scholarship Tax-Credit Program?

The program will benefit Ohio Catholic schools and students by prioritizing scholarships for low-income families that seek higher-quality education opportunities for their children. It will also offer taxpayers the ability to reduce their Ohio state tax liability by making a contribution to Scholarship Granting Organizations such as the Scholarship Granting Organization of the Catholic Community Foundation ("Angel Scholarship Fund"). This is a dollar-for-dollar tax credit against your tax liability, or the tax you owe to the State of Ohio.

What is the Angel Scholarship Fund?

The Catholic Community Foundation has established The Angel Scholarship Fund as a Scholarship Granting Organization to support our Catholic Schools and students in the Diocese of Cleveland. Begun in 2021, it is possible to "turn tax dollars into tuition" by making a charitable contribution to the Angel Scholarship Fund that is eligible for a 100% tax credit on the donor's 2022 State of Ohio income tax return. The maximum credit amount is currently \$750 (\$1,500 if married filing jointly).

Can my contribution be directed to the school of my choice?

While low-income families will be prioritized, the intent of the Angel Scholarship Fund is to offer donors the option of making:

- An undesignated contribution that supports schools and students across the Diocese of Cleveland based on financial need; or,
- A contribution that is designated to benefit students at a specific Catholic school.

May I designate my payment to a specific student?

As a 501(c)(3) organization, the Angel Scholarship Fund does not accept contributions that are designated for specific students. However, you may direct your contribution to students of one or more Catholic schools in the Diocese of Cleveland. You can find a list of schools at www.dioceseofcleveland.org/schools.

Who can contribute to the Angel Scholarship Fund?

Any Ohio taxpayer, single or married, with an Ohio tax liability.

Is the amount I claim a tax deduction?

Angel Scholarship Fund donors will receive a dollar-for-dollar state tax credit up to \$750, which is different from a tax deduction. Tax deductions reduce your taxable income. A tax credit is a dollar-for-dollar credit against the taxes paid to the State of Ohio. The funds are directed to the Angel Scholarship Fund rather than to the state.

How can I learn more about the Angel Scholarship Fund?

Please visit www.catholiccommunity.org/angel for a full list of FAQs and more information about this exciting initiative!