

PERSONAL ESSAY

Please attach a brief (250 – 500 words) personal essay, which includes information on why you need financial assistance and what you hope to gain from the writing class or program you plan to attend. You may include any other information you wish. Your essay may be typed or handwritten (but *please* make sure it's legible). Note: No new essay is required if you are applying for a scholarship to attend another session of a class for which you have already received a TCF scholarship within the previous year.

IMPORTANT NOTES

- A. The Candy Fund provides scholarships for writing classes and programs provided primarily by organizations based in Western North Carolina and held in Western North Carolina or contiguous areas. Programs include such things as writing retreats and workshops. Scholarships are for class and program costs only and may not be used for individual expenses, such as transportation or child care.
- B. TCF scholarship recipients must be women, 21 years of age or older, who reside in Western North Carolina.
- C. TCF scholarships are generally limited to no more than 50 percent of the program's cost or \$250, whichever is less.
- D. There is a lifetime restriction of \$500 total that any individual may receive from The Candy Fund.
- E. Applications are considered at board meetings, held the second Wednesday of each month. To be considered during a specific calendar month applications must be received before the board meets. No application will be approved retroactively for a course that has already begun before the board has had an opportunity to review it.

I certify that I have read and understand the notes and information provided above and that all information I've provided in this application is true, to the best of my knowledge.

Signature

Date

Send your completed application and personal essay to:

Candy Maier Scholarship Fund for Women Writers
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