Scholarship Catalog

KEF General Scholarship

Award: Up to $2,500; multiple recipients per year
KEF General Scholarships are awarded to students with a GPA of 2.0 or higher who are pursuing a degree through an accredited educational institution.

Deadlines:
- March 15: Funds classes that following Summer, Fall and Spring.

Requirements:
- 2.0 GPA or equivalent
- KEF eligibility requirements

Koniag Angayuk “partner” Scholarship & Internship

Award: $10,000 per year until graduation; one recipient per year
Deadline: January 15

Koniag, Inc. has established an internship/scholarship program to seek out Koniag’s best and brightest shareholders and descendants to intern in subsidiaries of Koniag Development Corporation (KDC).

Scholarship recipients are awarded an annual scholarship of $10,000 throughout their post-secondary education. This award allows the student to focus on his/her field of study and gain related work experience for a six- to 10-week period during the summer, while helping Koniag identify, cultivate, and encourage future leaders.

To qualify, students must have a minimum GPA of 3.0, agree to intern in any one of Koniag’s subsidiaries during the summer and be willing to relocate for a period of six to 10 weeks during the summer months. Students will receive a salary during their internship and travel and lodging will be funded by Koniag, Inc. Students who participate in the internship will receive renewed funding of $10,000 each year until graduation.
You may apply for this scholarship in conjunction with other KEF scholarships. Your scholarship essay should specifically outline which subsidiary you are most interested in interning with from the companies listed at www.koniagdevelopment.com. All applicants must submit the Internship Agreement Form.

Purpose:

The purpose of the Koniag Angayuk Scholarship is to identify and encourage Koniag students to become involved with Koniag and our subsidiaries. Koniag encourages our people to pursue their education and become familiar with Koniag, their Regional Native Corporation, and the employment opportunities that are available to them through Koniag’s family of companies. The program is designed to encourage and promote our future leaders.

Applicants may want to prepare the following ahead of time:

Letters of Recommendation
All Koniag Angayuk Scholarship applicants, new and continuing students alike, must upload letters of recommendation. Your letters of recommendation may be used for multiple KEF scholarship applications and do not have to be new, but they do need to be included with each application to avoid a low score on the completeness of your application.

Applicant Essay
In addition to the required “Essay”, Koniag Angayuk Scholarship applicants must complete the “Qualifications Summary” discussing the specific subsidiary the applicant is most interested in working for. Talk about why and where you would like to intern, and the qualities that make you an ideal candidate for this award. The more specific you are, the better! Remember, once you have been awarded this scholarship, you may continue to receive the scholarship each year until completion of your degree, provided you continue the summer internships and continue meeting the requirements. For information on Koniag, Inc.’s subsidiaries, click here.

Alyeska Pipeline Service Co.

As a committed supporter of the education of our Alutiiq students, Alyeska Pipeline Service Company (“Alyeska”) has a key role in the financial support of KEF students majoring in any of the fields listed below. Funding of scholarships is limited to undergraduate studies.

- Engineering (Electrical, Mechanical, or Civil, Chemical/Process)
- Health
- Safety
- Environment
- Quality
Alyeska provides scholarship funding to organizations with the goal to provide partial monetary support to Alaska Natives for training, education, and internships that are needed in preparation for careers with Alyeska and on the Trans Alaska Pipeline System (TAPS) or other oil industry related jobs. This funding is strategically focused to increase the pool of qualified Alaska Native applicants in specific job categories.

**Required Forms:**
(Upon request, the following documents should be e-mailed to scholarships@koniageducation.org.)

- Alyeska Student Information Form
- Alyeska Resume (follow these guidelines)
- Alyeska EEO Form (optional for consideration for employment)

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**ExxonMobil**

**Award:** $10,000; one recipient per year  
**Deadline:** June 1

ExxonMobil is working to reach out to Alaska’s communities and people by encouraging education in the fields of Math and Science. On a recent trip to Kodiak, ExxonMobil representatives met with leaders of Kodiak’s Native people, Museum and Repository Directors, and local government representatives. After learning what a unique people make up the Natives of Kodiak Island, ExxonMobil has offered to fund a $10,000 scholarship for those students studying in fields that are directly related to the oil and gas industry.

**Requirements:**
- 3.0 GPA
- Oil or gas industry-related field
- KEF eligibility requirements

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**Larry Matfay Cultural Heritage Scholarship**

**Award:** $1,000; one recipient per year  
**Deadline:** June 1
Requirements:
- 2.5 GPA or equivalent
- Major in anthropology, history, Alaska Native or American Indian studies, or other disciplines with a course of study that involves research and study of Alutiiq culture.
- KEF eligibility requirements

About Larry Matfay:

The Larry Matfay Cultural Heritage Scholarship is named in honor of Larry Matfay. Matfay was an Alutiiq elder and the last chief of Akhiok. He freely shared his extensive knowledge of the Alutiiq culture to revitalize and renew our heritage and pride. Click here to view Larry Matfay’s complete biography.

Glenn Godfrey Sr. Memorial Scholarship

Award: $5,000; one recipient per year
Deadline: June 1

Requirements:
- 2.5 GPA or equivalent
- Ability to demonstrate continued community service or civic duty
- KEF eligibility requirements

About Glenn Godfrey:

The Glenn Godfrey Sr. Memorial Scholarship is named in honor of Mr. Glenn Godfrey Sr., an Aleut political and social leader raised on Kodiak Island. Glenn Godfrey led an exemplary career with the State Troopers, from walking a beat to finding innovative ways to improve law enforcement in rural communities, and finally serving as Commissioner of Public Safety for the State of Alaska. At his retirement, after 32 years with the Department of Public Safety, Governor Tony Knowles said, “He has distinguished himself by his selfless dedication to public service, his commitment to protecting Alaska’s children, and meeting the unprecedented public safety challenges that followed September 11th.”

Glenn was born and raised in Kodiak and joined the Alaska State Troopers in 1970. He served as a patrol trooper in Anchorage, Juneau, and Northway, where he was responsible for drug enforcement along the Canadian border. In 1978, he was promoted as post commander for Western Alaska in Bethel where he was instrumental in the development of the Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO) program. Godfrey was later assigned to the director’s office in Anchorage and was put in charge of the VPSO program, statewide search and rescues, and the Trooper’s Special Emergency Reaction Team. Godfrey went on to serve as chief of Rural Enforcement and deputy director of the Alaska State Troopers. Knowles promoted Godfrey to director of the...
Trooper Division in 1995 and he succeeded Ron Otte as Commissioner of the Department in August of 2000. Upon his retirement, he was appointed to Gov. Tony Knowles’s cabinet as the Commissioner of Public Safety. Mr. Godfrey was the first Alaska Native in both posts. Godfrey also served as chairman of Koniag Inc., the ANSCA regional corporation for Kodiak, and was named “Citizen of the Year” by the Alaska Federation of Natives in 1999.

This scholarship was established to help our Alutiiq people pursue self-improvement and positive leadership roles.

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**Magnel Larsen Drabek Memorial Scholarship**

**Award:** $2,000; one recipient per year  
**Deadline:** June 1

**Requirements:**
- 2.0 GPA or equivalent
- Major in education, arts or cultural studies
- KEF eligibility requirements

**About Magnel “Maggie” E. Drabek:**

Magnel “Maggie” E. Drabek was born in Afognak village in 1926 to Olga (daughter of Evdokia (Nekrasoff) and Peter Paul Naumoff of Afognak) and Louie Larsen (a fisherman and merchant marine originally from Alesund, Norway). Maggie was known for her fortitude, practical leadership, diplomacy, humor and creativity.

In 1947 she married Henry “Hank” Alvin Drabek of Springville, N.Y., after they met in Seattle, Wash., while Hank was decommissioning the aircraft carrier Bonhomme Richard after World War II. Together they raised two sons, Anthony “Tony” John and Alvin Lawrence. Hank was overseas for many years serving in the Navy during the Korean War. Regardless of where they lived, Maggie was always involved in community activities and recognized for her talents. For example, during their years living on the Coronado Naval Base in Southern California, she won numerous artistic awards for hat designs, publicity posters and costumes.

They returned to live in Kodiak after Hank retired from the Navy. Maggie worked for many years in the Kodiak school system as a cook and later as a teacher’s aide before retiring for health reasons. Prior to her work in Kodiak schools, she served as forelady for several prominent fish processors. Maggie’s family remembers when the 1964 earthquake and tsunami struck, the only household item she grabbed before heading for high ground was her “Big Ben” alarm clock so she wouldn’t be late for work the next morning. Ironically, while she had her alarm clock, the cannery she worked at had been washed away in the night, along with her house and all the family’s belongings.
When Maggie was a young, single woman living in Washington, she gave birth to a son who she was unable to care for at the time. Maggie made the difficult decision to give him up for adoption. Her son, Roger McCracken, now lives in Bellevue, Wash., and was reunited with his two brothers in 1998 after Tony’s search for Roger proved fruitful. The families are pleased to honor Maggie’s memory through the creation of a memorial scholarship fund to support education, arts and cultural studies students.

Maggie passed away in 1990. The memory of her as a loving mother, wife, friend, sister, aunt and daughter, as well as her passion for education and Alutiiq culture, lives on.

Trans-Pac Alaska Scholarship

Award: $10,000; one recipient per year
Deadline: June 1

The Trans-Pac Alaska Scholarship is available to shareholders and descendants due to the generous contribution of Charles Kim, owner of Trans-Pac Alaska. Mr. Kim’s visionary leadership has made Trans-Pac a successful log and lumber export company for 28 years. Mr. Kim and Trans-Pac value Kodiak’s people, having employed many through logging on Afognak Island.

In addition to improving Kodiak’s economy through employment, Mr. Kim has invested in the education of our people by donating the funds that make this scholarship available to Koniag shareholders and descendants who are studying in fields of natural resources such as forestry and have a GPA of 3.0 or above.

Requirements:
- 3.0 GPA
- Natural resources (e.g. forestry)
- KEF eligibility requirements

Career Development Scholarship

Award: Up to $1,000; multiple recipients per year
Deadline: No deadline

Career Development Scholarships are awarded to individuals enrolled in non-degree programs such as licensing and certification trainings, workshops or other career advancing programs.

Requirements:
- Enrollment in a non-degree program
Demonstrate that training/program will benefit marketability, job security and/or job advancement.

Applicants must be Alaska Native shareholders or descendants (may be adopted) of the Koniag Region.

All applicants who are not currently enrolled in the Koniag, Inc. descendant or shareholder database must complete the descendant database form and submit the form to Shareholder Relations at Koniag, Inc. Please see form for details. For more information regarding the Descendant Database Form and enrollment shareholder ID’s, please e-mail llukin@koniag.com or call (800) 658-3818.

KEF offers merit-based scholarships to shareholders and descendants. These scholarships are competitive and are scored for completeness by an independent scholarship review committee. Applications must be postmarked or time-stamped by deadline.