



## Criteria for UWF Elmira K. Beyer Endowed Scholarship – Academic Year 2017-2018

- This award is intended for women who have begun but not completed their university education.
- The award will be made to a Jefferson County woman for **tuition up to \$11,000** at any accredited four-year college/university or graduate school, and will be disbursed directly to the school each quarter or semester.
- Payment of the award will be made to the woman's college after enrollment. If the woman does not enroll by the second term of the school year, the scholarship will be void.
- The woman must have been a resident of East Jefferson County for the previous two (2) years, and have **completed at least one year of prior undergraduate study**. "Running Start" and similar courses taken prior to high school graduation or G.E.D. will not count for this purpose.
- Award of the scholarship will be based on:
  - Academic performance
  - Financial need
  - Educational and professional goals
- Applications are available on the AAUW Port Townsend website ([pt-wa.aauw.net](http://pt-wa.aauw.net)) UWF section in November 2016, and must be returned **postmarked by March 10, 2017**.

Applicants will be evaluated according to the following:

1. Completed application, including:
  - Name of school you plan to attend
  - Total number of credits required to obtain the degree sought
  - Projected year of graduation
  - Amount of tuition per year
  - Past honors, awards, positions of leadership, college activities
  - An essay describing applicant's educational and professional goals
  - Proposed budget to cover education costs
2. Official transcripts covering all completed college work sent directly to UWF.
3. Three (3) letters of recommendation sent directly to UWF.  
Suggested people to ask for a recommendation include:
  - College faculty member
  - Employer (or supervisor of volunteer work)
  - A current Jefferson County resident who knows you personally.

The UWF Scholarship Committee may interview some candidates before determining the top contenders. The top contenders' names will be placed on a ballot to be voted on by the AAUW/UWF membership, and the **winner will be selected in early May 2017**.

The award will be presented at a UWF Scholars' Reception on **May 13, 2017**.