CHARGE Syndrome Foundation Conference Scholarships

**Norbury Scholarship**

Marion Norbury was one of the founding members of the CHARGE Syndrome Foundation in 1993. She served on the first Board of Directors as Secretary/Treasurer and later as the Executive Director of the Foundation. Her husband Lee was very active in Kiwanis, Habitat for Humanity and made a great contribution to CHARGE. The Foundation’s office was originally housed in the Norbury home and Marion’s voice on the other end of the phone was the first contact for many families. Both Marion and Lee spent many years volunteering their time to CHARGE efforts. This Scholarship Fund was created by those who wanted to recognize their contributions to CHARGE. Guidelines for this scholarship:

* **Covers up to 3 registrations per family**
* **1st time conference attendees**
* Must be current member of the Foundation in good standing
* Financial need will be taken into consideration
* Only applies to full conference (not one day registration or Professional Day)

**Emma Bluestone Scholarship**

Emma Bluestone devoted her life to her family - Eli, her husband of 62 years, her 4 sons and their families - but nothing brought her more joy than her 10 grandchildren, including Zachary, born in 1995 with CHARGE.

Emma and Eli were very supportive Grandparents, joining Zachary and his family at the first conference they attended, the 5th International CHARGE Syndrome Foundation Conference, held in Indianapolis, IN in 2001.  From that moment on, Emma and Eli were devoted fundraisers, using any event (birthdays, anniversaries, holidays, etc..) to make contributions to the CHARGE Syndrome Foundation, and ask their friends, in lieu of presents, to do the same.

Prior to Emma’s passing, in April of 2017, she made arrangements for a $50,000 bequest to the Foundation, for the purpose of creating a scholarship to provide financial support to families to help defray the costs of attending the conference. Guidelines for this scholarship:

* **Covers up to 3 registrations per family**
* **Attendees who have been to a past conference**
* Must be current member of the Foundation in good standing
* Financial need will also be taken into consideration
* Only applies to full conference (not one day registration or Professional Day)

**CHARGE for Connor Scholarship**

This scholarship is sponsored by the CHARGE for Connor Organization which was lovingly formed in memory of Connor Michael Logsdon.  The goal of this scholarship is to ease the financial burden on families in need who want to attend the conference by assisting with hotel costs.  We hope this assistance makes it possible for more families to experience the benefits of this amazing conference.

* **Covers up to 3 nights at the Hilton Anatole Hotel**
* Financial Need will be taken into consideration.
* Applicants must be a member of the Foundation
* We welcome first time conference attendees or repeat attendees to apply.

Please fill out all sections on the following pages and return completed applications by **April 1st.**

Scholarship recipients will be notified by **May 1st.**

CHARGE Syndrome Foundation, Inc. Scholarship Application

Date of Application \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Which scholarship(s) are you applying for (choose all that apply)?

* Norbury Scholarship – 1st time attendees – registration only
* Emma Bluestone Scholarship – repeat attendees – registration only
* CHARGE for Connor Scholarship – 1st time or repeat attendees – hotel only

Please include the name of family members attending conference and their relationship. If you need additional space, please use the back of the form.

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| **Name**  | **Relationship**  |
|    | Individual with CHARGE – Age:  |
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Please fill in the contact information for the primary applicant.

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Funding request:** Please note that the number of scholarships awarded will be dependent on a number of factors including, but not limited to, the number of applications, the need of the applicants and the financial position of the Foundation.

1. **Norbury/Emma Bluestone Registration Request:** (only complete if you are applying for this scholarship). Due to budget constraints and the desire to help as many families as possible, we are only awarding a **maximum of 3 registration scholarships per family.**

* **Do not include the individual with CHARGE as their registration is FREE for conference.**
* **There are NO scholarships for one day registration or Professional Day.**

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| **Registration Type:** | **Number of each:** | **Cost:** | **Total:** |
| Children (12 and under) not attending camp |  | $225 |  $ |
| Children attending camp  |  | $325 |  $ |
| All other individuals (ages 13 and up) |  | $325 |  $ |
| **GRAND TOTAL: MAXIMUM is 3** |  |  |  $ |



**CHARGE for Connor Hotel Request** (only complete if you are applying for this scholarship).

Please note: if awarded this scholarship, you will still need to book your own hotel room and give the hotel a credit card for incidentals.

How many hotel nights you are requesting assistance? (maximum is 3 nights) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. **Other Funding**: Please list all sources of funding for this conference for which you have applied, been awarded or been denied to date. If you need more space, use the back of the form. Please refer to our website for additional funding sources outside of the Foundation (include link).

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| **Funding Sources:** | **Funding Status: Awarded (list amount), Denied, or Pending**  |
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3. **Gross Household Income** (please check one):

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| Less than $25,000 |  |
| $25,001-$50,000 |  |
| $50,001-$75,000 |  |
| $75,001-$100,000 |  |
| Over $100,000 |  |

4. **Fundraising participation**

Have you ever participated in our online Charge it for CHARGE fundraising campaign?

* Yes
* No

Have you raised money for the Foundation through a fundraising event?

* Yes
* No

Please describe in detail your fundraising efforts: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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5. **Previous Conference/Financial Assistance:**

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|  | Check if attended | Check if received Foundation scholarship |
| 1993 - St. Louis |  |  |
| 1995 - Portland |  |  |
| 1997 - Boston |  |  |
| 1999 - Houston |  |  |
| 2001 - Indianapolis |  |  |
| 2003 - Cleveland |  |  |
| 2005 - Miami |  |  |
| 2007 - Costa Mesa |  |  |
| 2009 - Chicago |  |  |
| 2011 - Orlando |  |  |
| 2013 - Scottsdale |  |  |
| 2015 - Chicago |  |  |
| 2017 - Orlando |  |  |

Please include any additional information you wish to provide, such as past involvement with the Foundation (Board member, committee member, etc.) or any other information that will assist the committee in making its decision. If there are special circumstances that you believe should be considered, please also include that information.

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**Remember to:**

* Renew your membership or become a member of the Foundation
* Apply for additional funding outside of the Foundation
* Register for conference- see website for link to online registration form

**Application Deadline is: April 1st.**

Mail: The CHARGE Syndrome Foundation, Inc. 318 Half Day Rd. #305 Buffalo Grove, IL 60089

Fax to 1-888-317-4735

E-mail to info@chargesyndrome.org

If you have any questions, please contact the Foundation at 1-800-442-7604 or via email at info@chargesyndrome.org.

Please keep a copy of this application for your records. If you do not receive confirmation that your application has been received within 10 days of sending, please contact us at info@chargesyndrome.org. Scholarship applicants will be notified by **May 1st.**