THOMAS HOSPITAL AUXILIARY OFFERS HEALTH CAREER SCHOLARSHIPS TO BALDWIN COUNTY RESIDENTS

Each spring the Thomas Hospital Auxiliary offers health career scholarships to Baldwin County residents pursuing degrees in healthcare. To be considered, applicants must be currently enrolled full time at an accredited college or university as juniors or seniors pursuing a bachelor's degree, or in the last year of an associate's degree program. Undergraduates must provide official documentation of full-time enrollment from their schools.

Graduate and medical school students are also eligible for this scholarship after they have completed their undergraduate studies and been accepted into a health career program. Acceptance letters into a program must be provided.

Selection of the scholarship recipients is based on the applicants' grades, financial need and community involvement. The completed application, official documentation of enrollment status, official transcripts from all colleges attended to the present time, a brief personal essay, and academic and personal references are required. Photos of applicants are also requested.

Thomas Hospital Auxilian Rusty Downey is serving as chairperson of the Auxiliary's Health Career Scholarship Committee. Scholarship applications are available in the Thomas Hospital Auxiliary office, and can be sent by postal mail or e-mail by calling 279-1686.

Health career scholarships awarded by the Thomas Hospital Auxiliary are made possible through proceeds from the Tree of Lights, an annual Christmas fundraiser sponsored by the Auxiliary; Auxiliary memorials; and monies made from the donations of used books to the Thomas Hospital Auxiliary. Used paperback and hardback books in good condition that are generously donated to the Thomas Hospital Auxiliary are resold in the Thomas Hospital Gift Shop in Fairhope and Thomas Medical Center Snack Shop in Daphne.

For more information about the Thomas Hospital Auxiliary's Health Career Scholarship Program, please contact Chairperson Rusty Downey at rustydowney48@att.net or the auxiliary office at 279-1686.