

# College scholarships and grants for single mothers

Single mothers must spend time with children, run errands and work long hours to provide for their families. When one shoulders that kind of responsibility, [attending college](#) may seem like an impossible feat. According to Raise the Nation, an organization dedicated to helping single mothers who want to continue their education [find money for college](#), nearly 38 percent of single mothers live at or below the poverty level. Those with at least a bachelor's degree are five times less likely to find themselves in such a dire financial state.

With little finances at their disposal, many single mothers are in critical need of [financial aid](#). Luckily, numerous scholarship providers recognize that single parents need assistance if they are to [pay for school](#). That is why many [college scholarships and grants](#) have been created specifically to help single mothers afford a postsecondary education. In helping these mothers, scholarship providers are making it possible for them to create a more secure financial future for themselves and their children.

Take a look at the following [scholarship opportunities](#) for single mothers. If you would like additional [scholarship information](#) regarding programs based on single-parent status as well as other criteria, try conducting a free college [scholarship search](#) at Scholarships.com.

## **[The Jeanette Rankin Foundation Scholarship Program](#)**

**<http://www.rankinfoundation.org/students>**

Since 1978, the Jeannette Rankin Foundation has awarded scholarships to help over 500 women attend college. Applications are available from November through February each year. While this scholarship is not specifically targeted at single moms, they certainly would be subset of the "single women 35 and older" category.

[More information on The Jeanette Rankin Foundation Scholarship Program.](#)

## **[Patsy Takemoto Mink Education Foundation for Low-Income Women and Children](#)**

**<http://www.patsyminkfoundation.org/>**

Established in 2003, the Patsy Takemoto Mink Education Foundation aims to carry on some of Congresswoman Mink's most ardent commitments: educational access, support, and opportunity for low-income women, especially mothers; and educational enrichment for children.

[More information on the Patsy Takemoto Mink Education Foundation.](#)

## **[W.I.S.P. Change Your World Scholarship](#)**

**<http://www.wispinc.org/Programs/WISP/tabid/62/Default.aspx>**

In March 2007 Doris Buffett, president and founder, announced a new scholarship program of the Sunshine Lady Foundation for the sons and daughters of graduates of the Women's Independence Scholarship Program (WISP). The folks at WISP believe that every student who is capable, motivated and willing to work hard should have the opportunity to earn a college degree. These scholarships are for those who show the greatest promise of success, have financial need and have made education their number one priority.

[More information on the W.I.S.P. Change Your World Scholarship.](#)

Scholarships for Moms --- <http://www.scholarships4moms.net/>

Single Mom.com

<http://www.singlemom.com/EducationAndCareer/EducationAndCareerFinancialAidAndScholarships.aspx>

<http://www.sunshineladyfdn.org/>

[http://www.soroptimist.org/news/fs\\_woa.html](http://www.soroptimist.org/news/fs_woa.html)

<http://www.scholarshipoffers.com/>

<http://www.raisethenation.org/>

<http://phoenix.assistanceleague.org/ps.projects.cfm?ID=10>