

## Winchester-Frederick-Clarke Republican Women Kay Gunter Memorial Scholarship

The Winchester-Frederick-Clarke Republican Women (WFCRW) is an organization devoted to empowering women of all ages, ethnicities and backgrounds in the political process. The WFCRW strengthens the Republican Party by advocating the Party's philosophy and initiatives; informing the public through political education and activities; and recruiting and electing candidates.

•The WFCRW will offer the Kay Gunter Memorial Scholarships in 2025 to three graduating female high school seniors in the Counties of Frederick, Clarke and in the City of Winchester who will be entering her freshman year of college in the Fall of 2025. Value: \$1,000 each. Additional information and the application for this scholarship are as follows:

- The winners will be announced on May 1, 2025.
- The winners will be required to attend the June 2025 WFCRW Luncheon in Winchester, VA.
- To receive WFCRW scholarship funds, winners must agree to allow the WFCRW to use her name and photo in future WFCRW scholarship promotions.
- Scholarship will be paid directly to the designated school.
- **DEADLINE:** Applications and essays <u>must</u> be received by Saturday, March 15, 2025. Applications may be sent by Email or through the post office. **Please note: all submissions must** be *received* by Saturday, March 15, 2025 by 5 pm. Postmarks will **NOT** count.

# Send your application package and two letters of recommendation to:

Pamela McKinley WFCRW Scholarship Chair 106 Cooper Lane Winchester, VA 22602 or email: mckpw@comcast.net



### Winchester-Frederick-Clarke Republican Women The Kay Gunter Memorial Scholarship Application – 2025

#### Kay Gunter Memorial Scholarship

To honor and celebrate Elizabeth Kay Gunter's extensive and dynamic contribution to the Republican Party, the Winchester-Frederick-Clarke Republican Women's Club (WFCRW) established three Kay Gunter Memorial Scholarships in tribute to her lifelong support for good government, and for the involvement of women in that process. Kay was a person always committed to the common good, without concern for the effort required.

Kay's introduction to politics was her father's successful candidacy for a City Council Seat in her hometown in South Carolina. Her goal was always to promote Republican Party principles and the candidates who stood for those principles.

Kay, and her husband Sam, moved to Clarke County when he accepted a position with a firm in Middleburg. Their youngest son graduated from Handley High School. Kay continued her passions of supporting the Republican Party and Right-to-Life.

She had an extensive history of serving the Republican Party, which included being elected President of the Clarke County Republican Committee and, as a representative from that committee, to the 10<sup>th</sup> Virginia Congressional District of the Republican Party. She held a variety of offices in WFCRW, culminating in the Presidency in 2016. She ultimately ran and was elected as the representative from the 10<sup>th</sup> Congressional District for the State Central Committee of the Republican Party of Virginia. A special Honor for Kay was being elected as a Delegate from Virginia to the 2012 Republican National Convention.

Kay was equally passionate in her dedication to the Right-to-Life. Again, her commitment was at both the local and state levels. She worked tirelessly to promote education and support for young mothers-to-be, eventually becoming a member of the Board of Directors for ABBA, a local group providing services to women in crisis pregnancies. She also was on the Board of Directors of the Education Guidance Institute, a group which eventually associated with the Family Foundation. Its purpose was using federal grant money for pro-life and pro-family education for community groups and schools.

These Scholarships, dedicated to Kay Gunter's memory, were established to provide support for a graduating high school woman from each of the following areas: the City of Winchester and Clarke and Frederick Counties, who aspire to similar support for the Principles of the Republican party.

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Are	you a Citizen of the U.S.?		

On a separate piece of paper, expand upon the following:

**Essay Topic** (500 words or less): "The Role of the Republican Woman in Today's Community" In your discussion, please choose **one** of the following ideals of the Virginia Republican Creed:

#### The Virginia Republican Creed

#### We believe:

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- That the free enterprise system is the most productive supplier of human needs and economic justice.
- That all individuals are entitled to equal rights, justice, and opportunities and should assume their responsibilities as citizens in a free society.
- That fiscal responsibility and budgetary restraints must be exercised at all levels of government.
- That the Federal Government must preserve individual liberty by observing Constitutional limitations.
- That peace is best preserved through a strong national defense.
- That faith in God, as recognized by our Founding Fathers, is essential to the moral fiber of the Nation.

How did you first learn of the WFCRW Scholarship?				
n submitting this application package, I agree to the terms of the WFCRW in offering this scholarshippportunity, and I verify that the information above is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.				
I also agree to allow the WFCRW to use my name and photo in promotional literature, if I win a scholarship.				
Signature:	Date:			