



Investing In the Future

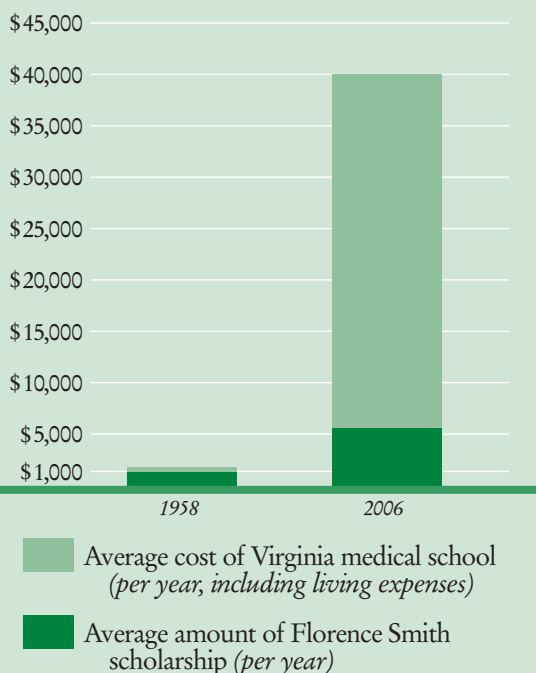
Florence L. Smith Medical Scholarship Fund

Florence L. Smith could never have predicted in 1952 the high cost of today's medical education. But because the Norfolk physician's daughter created a permanent scholarship fund at The Norfolk Foundation, she is still making a difference in the lives of today's medical students.

Since 1952 nearly 700 Smith Scholars have been touched by Smith's generosity. Smith Scholars practice in all specialties, teach in medical schools, conduct research, lead public health departments and serve as medical missionaries. Smith Scholars have led the American Medical Association and numerous local, state and national medical societies. Each year The Norfolk Foundation awards the prestigious Smith scholarships to future physicians at Eastern Virginia Medical School, the University of Virginia School of Medicine and Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine.



Comparison 1952–2006:



Fast Facts:

- Florence Smith was the daughter of a Norfolk physician, Dr. Hy Smith.
- She left through her estate in 1952 a gift of \$436,620 to establish a medical scholarship fund.
- In 1953 the first 26 recipients were awarded scholarships totalling \$23,900.
- Since then nearly 700 medical students have received more than \$2.5 million in scholarships.
- Today the permanent Smith Fund has a value of nearly \$2 million.
- Each year more than 15 medical students receive Smith scholarships and are eligible for up to four years of funding at an average of \$5,474 a year.
- In 2006 a group of Smith Scholars established the Society of Smith Scholars to raise awareness about the Smith Scholarship and encourage philanthropy to help future generations of medical students.

Options for Enhancing Florence Smith's Legacy

- Donate to the Florence L. Smith Medical Scholarship Fund of The Norfolk Foundation – gifts of all sizes are welcome.
- Arrange for a future legacy gift to the Smith Scholarship Fund through your will or trust.
- Create your own scholarship fund through the Foundation – this option lets you support medical and other scholarship interests.
- Share your accomplishments as a Smith Scholar by updating your profile at www.norfolkfoundation.org/smithscholars.
- Volunteer to mentor a current student who is a Smith Scholar.

Founded in 1950, The Norfolk Foundation is Virginia's first community foundation.

It is the largest grant and scholarship provider in southeastern Virginia. Since 1950 it has provided more than \$82 million in grants and scholarships.

For more information on the Society of Smith Scholars

visit www.norfolkfoundation.org/smithscholars.

The site includes details about the scholarship, listings of Smith Scholars and links for them to update information on their accomplishments. For questions e-mail smithscholars@norfolkfoundation.org.

Ten Reasons to Give Through The Norfolk Foundation

1. We are a regional community foundation with deep roots in Virginia.
2. Our staff has broad expertise in scholarship and grant administration and works closely with medical school financial aid offices.
3. We provide personalized service tailored to your charitable and financial interests.
4. We can help you invest in the causes you care about, such as education.
5. We accept a wide variety of assets and can facilitate even the most complex forms of giving.
6. We partner with professional advisors to create highly effective approaches to charitable giving.
7. We offer maximum tax advantages for most gifts.
8. We multiply the impact of your gift by investing it with other gifts.
9. We build permanent endowment funds and help create personal legacies.
10. We are a community leader working to create positive changes.

What Smith Scholars Are Saying

The scholarship “permitted me to follow the career path of my talent and interests, rather than to chase after money,”

Dr. N. Thomas Connally, U.Va. '62
retired Georgetown University professor

“Beneficiaries of Miss Smith’s vision have the responsibility to do our share... This is our opportunity to provide highly motivated and caring people the means to realize their dreams.”

Dr. Edward L. Lilly, VCU '61
Norfolk Internist

“Miss Smith gave me some breathing room when I thought I would smother in debt.”

Dr. Jack Faircloth, EVMS '99
North Carolina family practice physician

“I had some 18-20 part-time jobs to pay for college. Then in my senior year Florence Smith came into my life, and this allowed me to devote full attention to my medical studies... I say a little prayer to Florence Smith each day.”

Dr. John T. Nuckols, VCU '67
retired Fredericksburg psychiatrist.

“As a student, the fiscal implications of medical school can be overwhelming. The Smith Scholarship helped ease my anxiety and let me concentrate on becoming a physician. For that, I’ll always be very thankful.”

Dr. Marissa Galicia-Castillo, EVMS '97
geriatrics and gerontology professor at EVMS



For more information about supporting future medical students through The Norfolk Foundation, contact Nan C. Edgerton, vice president of development, at (757) 622-7951 or visit www.norfolkfoundation.org