



MOScholars

Missouri's Empowerment Scholarship Accounts Program

**Do you pay
MO state
income taxes?**



Missouri allows you to re-direct half of the taxes you are required to pay towards Catholic education.

The **Bright Futures Fund** provides Catholic school scholarships to qualified students funded with purchased tax credits. When you file your taxes, you get 100% credit for the amount you reserved and paid. Help us fund over \$12 million in scholarships by reserving tax credits for up to half of your annual liability. Re-directing taxes to empower students with a Catholic education is another opportunity for good stewardship. It just makes sense!

HOW TO RESERVE TAX CREDITS IN 5 EASY STEPS

Step 1

**GO TO
BRIGHT FUTURES
FUND.ORG**

Click on "MOScholars Program- Reserve MOScholars Tax Credits".

Step 2

**ESTIMATE YOUR LIABILITY
BASED ON WHAT YOU
OWED THE PREVIOUS YEAR**

Fill out all fields for the MOScholars Tax Credit Reservation System. You can reserve tax credits for up to half of what you will owe.

Step 3

**CHOOSE BRIGHT
FUTURES FUND**

Select
Bright Futures Fund from the EAO (Educational Assistance Organization) drop down menu.

Step 4

**RESERVE YOUR TAX
CREDIT AMOUNT
BEFORE DECEMBER 31**

Click "submit" and you will receive an email from the MO State Treasurer's office. **Print and save your confirmation number.**

Step 5

WRITE A CHECK TO THE BRIGHT FUTURES FUND

Write a check to the Bright Futures Fund for the amount of the tax credits reserved. Mail the check within 30 days of your reservation and no later than December 31 to: **Bright Futures Fund, P.O. Box 419037, Kansas City, MO, 64141.** After your funds are received and verified, you will receive an email receipt from the State Treasurer's Office. **Include the receipt and an MO-TC form with your state income tax filing.**

- ☒ Reserved tax credits are equal to 100% of an eligible contribution and can be used for up to 50% of the donor's annual tax liability.
- ☒ For the current MO-TC form, visit BrightFuturesFund.org OR search MO-TC at: <https://dor.mo.gov/forms/>
- ☒ Tax credits may be carried forward for four (4) additional tax years. Tax credits are non-refundable, non-transferable, and cannot be sold.

Reserve tax credits now. When you file next year, you will have already paid half and will have directed your tax dollars towards quality Catholic education. Minimum contribution is \$500. Please call or visit website for more details.

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HOW TO APPLY FOR A MOSCHOLARS SCHOLARSHIP

Go to **BrightFuturesFund.org**. Click on **MOScholars Program** then **MOScholars Scholarships**. Click the button for your diocese. Fill out the pre-qualification form to see if you qualify to move on to the formal application.

Qualifying Paths

To qualify, your student must meet one or more of the state designated criteria. Scholarships are verified by F. A. C. T. S, granted in order according to state rules based on available funding.

- ▶ Siblings of current MOScholars recipients
- ▶ Students with an approved IEP 'individualized education plan' developed under federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) or an individual service plan (ISP) that is developed in cooperation with a local education agency under IDEA, specifically those provisions pertaining to parentally placed private school children found in 20 U.S. Code 1412 (a) (10) and 34 CFR 300(b).*
- ▶ Attended a public school as a full time student for at least one semester during the previous twelve (12) months.
- ▶ Are eligible to begin kindergarten or first grade
- ▶ Must meet MOScholars income eligibility guidelines

Please refer to **BrightFuturesFund.org** or the MO State Treasurer's website for current eligibility requirements.

MOScholars Income Eligibility Guidelines (Effective July 1, 2025—June 30, 2026)			
Household Size	Annual Income		
	100%	200%	300%
1	\$28,953	\$57,906	\$86,859
2	\$39,128	\$78,256	\$117,384
3	\$49,303	\$98,606	\$147,909
4	\$59,478	\$118,956	\$178,434
5	\$69,653	\$139,306	\$208,959
6	\$79,828	\$159,656	\$239,484
7	\$90,003	\$180,006	\$270,009
8	\$100,178	\$200,356	\$300,534

*Any IEP or ISP that is proffered for program eligibility must be dated within the last 12 months of the date of the student's application to the program.

Students with ISPs that are not developed under IDEA are not eligible.

Qualifying Schools 2026-2027

Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau

Guardian Angel
 Immaculate Conception, Jackson
 Immaculate Conception, New Madrid
 Immaculate Conception, Springfield
 McAuley Catholic High School
 Notre Dame Regional High School
 Sacred Heart
 Springfield Catholic High School
 St. Agnes Cathedral
 St. Ambrose
 St. Ann
 St. Augustine
 St. Denis
 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
 St. Eustachius
 St. Francis Xavier
 St. Henry
 St. Joseph, Scott City
 St. Joseph Catholic Academy, Springfield
 St. Lawrence
 St. Mary Cathedral, Cape Girardeau
 St. Mary, Joplin
 St. Mary, Pierce City
 St. Peter the Apostle
 St. Teresa
 St. Vincent de Paul

SWING INTO THE ROARING '20s
AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION'S 38TH ANNUAL

SPRING FLING

DINNER AUCTION

SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2026

Immaculate Conception Multipurpose Building
Doors Open 4:30 p.m. | Dinner 6:30 p.m.

TABLE (8): \$320 | SINGLE TICKET: \$40

Ticket includes admission to event, meal, and bidder number
for the live auction and the online silent auction.



Scan the QR code or visit
lovewhatic.com to learn more!

Ticket sales will open Feb. 14. For sponsorship
opportunities, please email icspringfling@gmail.com

If you can't make it to the live event, enjoy the fun from home!
Our online silent auction is open to all and carryout meals will be available.

CARRYOUT MEAL: \$25

LifeHouse Gala

cape girardeau

NIGHT OF A

Thousand Stars

Let the stars shine: mark your calendars for the
2025 LifeHouse Gala, Cape Girardeau: Night of a Thousand Stars!

LifeHouse Crisis Maternity Home is a residential program that empowers homeless pregnant women to choose life for their babies. The program provides the skills, resources, and support necessary for mothers to build a new life for themselves and their children. LifeHouse in Cape Girardeau is currently home to 15 women, six babies, and two toddlers. Your support of the LifeHouse Gala, Cape Girardeau, helps give hope to mothers and their babies during a time of great need!

FUND OUR MISSION

GIVE DIRECTLY TO LIFEHOUSE IN CAPE GIRARDEAU!



Please consider a gift to the *Fund Our Mission*, directly supporting LifeHouse in Cape Girardeau. Your gift will provide case management, education, food, housing, transportation, and more.

Your giving can reduce your Missouri state taxes: all sponsorships, tickets, and donations to the LifeHouse Gala, Cape Girardeau, qualify for 70% Maternity Home Tax Credits.

PRESENTED BY



BENEFITTING





BEACH HOUSE RAFFLE

Purchase a raffle ticket for a chance to win a 6-night stay for you and 13 guests at this gorgeous beachfront home in Gulf Shores, Alabama! Enjoy private gulf-front balconies on every level and an ideal location close to shopping and dining. *Need not be present to win.*

1 ticket for \$25 | 5 tickets for \$100

ONLINE AUCTION: *BID ONLINE & WIN FROM ANYWHERE!*



Date Night for a Year

Enjoy a year of romance with twelve gift cards to Cape Girardeau's favorite restaurants, savoring local flavors and creating lasting memories together.

Donated by various Cape Girardeau Restaurants and Bars



Blues Hockey Tickets

Cheer on the St. Louis Blues with four tickets to the Enterprise Center. Experience the thrill of live NHL action with family or friends!

Donated by Richardet Floors



Nobleton Bourbon Distillery Tour

Enjoy a private tour for six at Nobleton Bourbon Distillery in Washington, Missouri. Learn the craft and savor an unforgettable tasting experience.

Donated by Nobleton Bourbon Distillery



Tee House - Indoor Virtual Golf Party

Gather friends for a virtual golf party for six at Tee House in Cape Girardeau. Play, compete, and enjoy a memorable experience together.

Donated by Brian Johnson

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We are always looking for volunteers to share their time and talents with our residents at LifeHouse in Cape Girardeau! Our mothers and babies thrive because of a strong, caring community. Whether you have a few hours a week or just one afternoon a month, your presence can make a world of difference! Interested in volunteering at Little Flower? Please contact us at volunteer@ccsomo.org or 573-803-5433.

