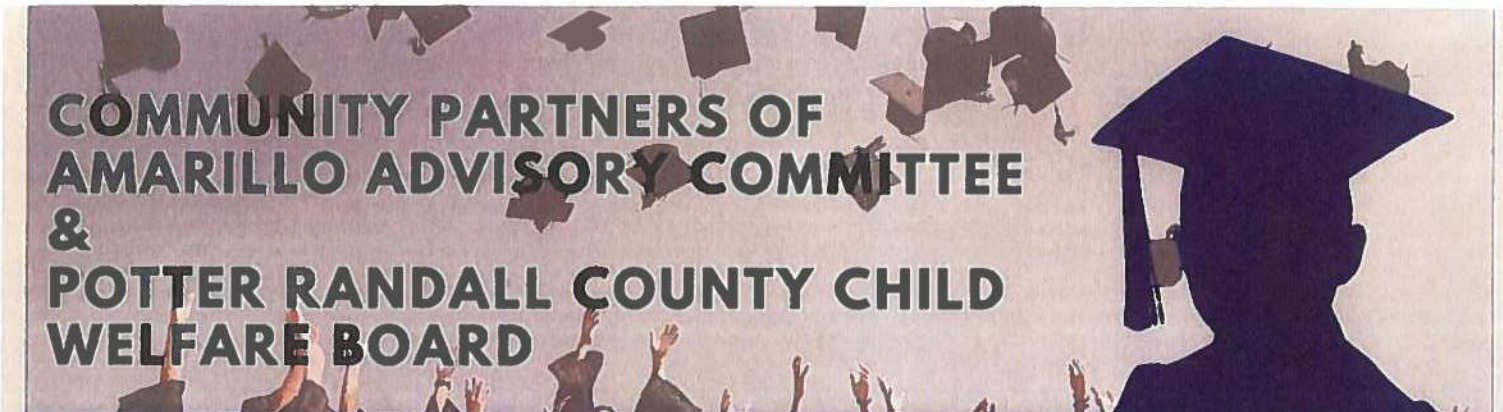




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THE DEBBIE BOEKA SCHOLARSHIP

Debbie Boeka dedicated her professional career to Child Protective Services for 39 years before she died in 2016. Protecting and helping children and dogs was a true passion for her. In her honor, Community Partners of Amarillo established the Debbie Boeka scholarship to continue the good work she embodied during her life.

This scholarship is primarily aimed at helping fill gaps for youth leaving the foster care system in Potter and Randall counties. There are existing sources of funding for some important items such as tuition and housing, but there may be extras that are needed. In the past the scholarship funded daycare for a single parent attending college. The fund was also used for gift cards for graduating students to purchase household items. These funds are intended to fill in gaps - items like apartment deposits, special equipment needed for work or training, and other unanticipated expenses.

Youth who have left foster care do not typically have a family support system that other young people may have. Debbie would want her scholarship to help those youth!

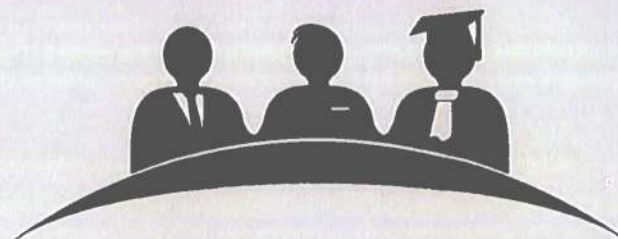
There is a simple application process (see attached). Please refer any youth interested in scholarship funding to Jenn Sugg at DFPS to start the process (see below). An internal committee will review and ask any follow-up questions and make a decision quickly.

PLEASE RETURN TO JENNIFER SUGG

 **jennifer.sugg@dfps.texas.gov**

 **3521 SW 15th Avenue
Amarillo, TX 79102**

 **806-354-6292**



DEBBIE BOEKA SCHOLARSHIP

ESSAY:

Please attach to this application a one-page essay describing your request for scholarship funds. Be sure to articulate why the need exists and how funding it will help you in the future. Applicants MUST have been removed from Randall or Potter County to be eligible for this scholarship

APPLICATION:

Date_____

Name_____

Date of Birth_____ Contact info:_____

Current living
situation/Address_____

Date applicant left foster care and county removed from_____

Are you in Supervised Independent Living(SIL)? _____

Are you receiving Buckner Aftercare Services? _____

Currently Enrolled in school or vocational training? If so, where and what program

Currently employed? If so, where and how many hours/week

Additional information to support this
request_____

Please return to Jennifer Sugg.

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