



## DAVID LOUIS CUNHA FOUNDATION

### SCHOLARSHIP 2019

This scholarship was created in the loving memory and honor of David Louis Cunha, a 2012 graduate of Smithfield High School, and will be awarded to students who have **excelled in community service**.

David Cunha was born on January 1, 1994. Though David lived with a congenital heart defect, he was vibrant, courageous and FULL OF LIFE. With his infectious smile and wonderfully outgoing personality, he was a friend to all. David was and continues to be a true inspiration to all who knew him.

David was a 2012 graduate of Smithfield High School and a member of The National Honor Society. He was a junior at Rhode Island College majoring in Mass Media Communications. David worked for the Rhode Island State Senate for six years and dedicated much of his free time to numerous non-profit organizations and community service. David had a warm and giving heart and a strong and admirable character. He had countless friends and family who loved him dearly and continue to do so now even more. David passed unexpectedly in January, 2015. The David Louis Cunha Foundation was created in David's loving memory and honor and to continue his commitment to helping others less fortunate than he. Helping children was a cause close to David's heart.

The David Louis Cunha Foundation will award scholarships to selected applicants who meet the following criteria:

- 1.) Be a graduating Smithfield High School senior accepted for the 2019-2020 school year to an accredited university, college, junior college, technical school, or other educational institute.

2.) Exemplifies David's compassion and commitment to helping others through community service, good citizenship, and respect.

Each applicant must submit a **list** of present and past community service activities, along with a short **essay**. For the essay, please choose one or two of your activities and address how others benefited from your involvement, and how these experiences contributed to your personal growth.

Applications must be postmarked no later than **Friday, March 15, 2019**.

Applications will be reviewed by a scholarship committee appointed by the Foundation.

Scholarships will be announced at Smithfield High School Honors Night.

Scholarships will be dispersed to recipients upon enrollment verification.

A copy of this application and scoring rubric are also available on the David Louis Cunha Foundation website [davidlouiscunhafoundation.org](http://davidlouiscunhafoundation.org).

Please complete the following and return it along with your **typed activity sheet** and **essay** to the mailing address given below. Please remember applications must be postmarked no later than **Friday, March 15, 2019**.

Mailing Address:

**David Louis Cunha Foundation Scholarship**  
**c/o Mr. & Mrs. Peter Cunha**  
**563 Log Road**  
**Smithfield, RI 02917**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Major: \_\_\_\_\_

University, College, Junior College, Technical School you will be attending or have applied to:

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Example:

Date(s)	Organization	Brief Description of Community Service	Total # Hours
2014-2015 2016-2017	F.L.I.T.E.S. Foreign Language in the elementary schools-SHS	Taught French to Anna McCabe students after school. Prepared lessons and activities.	48 hours total
2016-2017	Freshman mentor SHS	Met with new freshmen once a week for the first half of the school year to offer guidance and support through their transition to high school	20 hours total