

### Resource Guide to Funding Opportunities

FUNDING SOURCE	CONTACT	AMOUNT	MAXIMUM AWARD	CRITERIA
Thompson Foundation Displaced Miner Tuition Grant	Jessica Dotson 276-964-7262	\$50,000		Displaced Miner living or working in either Tazewell or Buchanan County enrolled in qualifying fast-track program.
Thompson Foundation Displaced Miner Emergency Fund	Jessica Dotson 276-964-7262	\$10,000	\$500 Per semester	Displaced miner living or working in either Tazewell or Buchanan County who are enrolled in a qualifying fast-track program and in need of emergency funding for wrap around services.
SWCC Student Emergency Fund (Faculty, Staff, & Community Donors)	SWCC Foundation Susan Lowe 276-964-7304	\$10,000	\$250 Per Semester (Only eligible for award two times)	Students faced with catastrophic or dire emergency that might prevent them from completing a degree or program. Qualifying examples listed on application include house fire, some medical emergencies, etc. Not intended for use to fund reoccurring events such as rent or utilities. Complete application and two faculty/staff references are required
Internal Funding (Campaign Initiatives funded by the Carol Phipps Buchanan Estate)  <a href="https://sw.edu/wp-content/uploads/2013/09/Internal-Funding-Request-2.16.pdf">https://sw.edu/wp-content/uploads/2013/09/Internal-Funding-Request-2.16.pdf</a>	SWCC Foundation Susan Lowe 276-964-7304	\$75,000	\$1,000 Per Request	Three separate initiatives can be applied to by faculty/staff or students. The Faculty/Staff Initiative helps to fund Professional Development opportunities not covered by SWCC. Students may qualify for funding from either the Workforce Initiative or the Last Dollar Scholarship Initiative. \$1,000 maximum award for students who are needing assistance with the last one or two classes needed to complete a program. Complete application and two faculty/staff references are required.
Veterans Training Initiative (Dominion Energy)	Gwendalyn Slone 276-964-7363	\$15,000	Based on need	Tuition assistance for eligible veterans enrolled in degree or certification programs at SWCC. Student funds are distributed on a first come, first served basis until all funds are expended.
Veterans Wrap-around Services Fund (Dominion Energy)	Gwendalyn Slone 276-963-7363	\$10,000	Based on need	Emergency funding or wrap around service funding for veterans enrolled in degree or certification programs at SWCC. Student funds are distributed on a first come, first served basis until all funds are expended.

Rural Virginia Horseshoe GED Initiative	Dyan Lester 276-964-7677	\$10,000	\$2,000 Per Student	Must meet certain testing and TABE Scores to qualify for funding.
Emerging Workforce Scholarship (VCEDA)	Adrianna Culbertson 276-964-7534	\$500,000	Based on need	Student must be entering a qualifying workforce program, degree, or certification to be eligible. Programs include Information Technology, Unmanned Ariel Systems, Agriculture/Hospitality, Advanced Manufacturing. Also pays for National Career Readiness Certificate testing fee for on campus students or Career & Technical students in the SWCC service region.
Tobacco Financial Aid Scholarship	Phyllis Roberts 276-964-7588	\$350,000	Up to 16 credit hours. Tuition only	Last dollar assistance is available in following categories: 1) All certifications that can be completed in six (6) months or fewer; 2) identified target program applicants who can attain degree/certificate within one (1) year; (3) STEM-H and Advanced Manufacturing students working towards a degree or certificate; (4) All other community college students who might obtain their degree/certificate within one (1) year; 5) All other full-time, program-placed students. Note: priority given to students in first 3 categories listed above; also, tobacco quota holders and AIM students get priority funding as long as they enroll in the first 3 priority categories.
Tobacco Cybersecurity Scholarship	Cody Israel 276-964-7276	\$ 21,060	\$1,200	Funds for Student Certification Exams for Cybersecurity program participants
ARC Cybersecurity Scholarships	Cody Israel 276-964-7276	\$50,330	\$2,500	Tuition and wrap-around services for displaced coal miners or displaced supply workers and/or their spouses enrolled in the Cybersecurity grant program.
ARC REDI Center Scholarships	Jessica Dotson 276-964-7262	\$50,000	\$2,500	Tuition and wrap-around services for displaced coal miners or displaced supply workers and/or their spouses enrolled in REDI Center grant program.
Virginia Guaranteed Assistance Program (VGAP) <a href="https://fafsa.ed.gov/">https://fafsa.ed.gov/</a>	Donna Price 276-964-7287	While funds are available	\$650 Per Semester	Must be PELL eligible. Virginia Student, 12 credit hours or more, 2.5 GPA. Students cannot receive VGAP ad COMA in the same semester. Student must have graduated from a Virginia High School.

Procurement Technical Assistance Program (PTAP) <a href="https://fafsa.ed.gov/">https://fafsa.ed.gov/</a>	Donna Price 276-964-7287	While funds are available	Up to tuition	Must be Pell eligible. Virginia Resident, 1-8 credit hours tuition only, 2.0 GPA.
Commonwealth Award (COMA) <a href="https://fafsa.ed.gov/">https://fafsa.ed.gov/</a>	Donna Price 276-964-7287	While funds are available	100-500 Per semester	Must be PELL eligible, 6 or more credit hours, GPA 2.0. In State or Out of State students. Can be used for tuition and bookstore charges. Pro-rated based on enrollment.
SEOG <a href="https://fafsa.ed.gov/">https://fafsa.ed.gov/</a>	Donna Price 276-964-7287	While funds are available	100-500 Per semester	Must be PELL eligible, 6 or more credit hours, GPA 2.0. In State or Out of State students. Can be used for tuition and bookstore charges. Pro-rated based on enrollment.
Supplemental	Donna Price 276-964-7287	While funds are available	Up to tuition	Must be PELL eligible, Virginia Resident, 1-12 credit hours. This money is used for students who has an EFC range of \$5,000-\$8,000.
Local Board Scholarship	Donna Price 276-964-7287	While funds are available	Tuition or books	Students who live in Buchanan, Tazewell, Russell, or Dickenson County, needing assistance with tuition or books. Must complete FAFSA and have need. Must have 2.0 GPA.
Annual SWCC Business Contest Scholarships	Rhonda Vandyke 276-964-7388	\$2,500	10 @ \$250	Awarded to winners of the Annual SWCC Business Contest in the Spring of each year.
Richlands Area Chamber of Commerce Scholarship  <a href="https://www.virginia.org/listings/VisitorInformationCenters/RichlandsAreaChamberofCommerce/">https://www.virginia.org/listings/VisitorInformationCenters/RichlandsAreaChamberofCommerce/</a>	Rhonda Vandyke 276-964-7388	\$600	Yearly	Student must attend Richlands High School.  This scholarship is in the amount of \$300 and is presented one time a year. This scholarship is matched by the President's Office at SWCC for a total award of \$600.
Project Discovery Scholarship	Rhonda Vandyke 276-964-7388	\$1,000	2 @ \$500 yearly	The student must apply and be accepted to Southwest Virginia Community College prior to being considered for the SWCC/PD scholarship; The student must be a graduate of the Project Discovery Program; The student must maintain a 2.5 GPA at SWCC; The student must enroll in a curriculum program and progress towards a degree in that program; The student can choose any curriculum program offered at SWCC.
Gene HAAS Foundation Grant	Steven Olinger 276-964-7269	\$15,000	Based on need	For students currently enrolled in or will be enrolling into credit or non-credit machining classes at SWCC