

Susan M. Hunter Scholarship 2025

(opens February 1 and closes March 31)

The Susan M. Hunter Correctional Scholarship is named in honor of Susan M. Hunter, former Director of the Prisons Division at the National Institute of Corrections, as a lasting tribute to her commitment to the field of corrections. Susan passed away in 2004 from breast cancer. CLA's Past Presidents' Committee had been working toward a scholarship program for children of correctional staff. In the wake of her death, CLA grieved the loss of Susan, and the Committee made a logical decision to name the scholarship program after Susan, who had embodied the ideals of an educated and enlightened correctional workforce. Her life's work continues in our memory of what she held dear, now expressed in our profession with contributions to deserving students whose parents labor in our Association's chosen field.

Eligibility Requirements for the Susan M. Hunter Correctional Scholarship

- Students must be the **child of a corrections employee** (current full-time, retired, or deceased) within any CLA member Department of Corrections or jail/prison system.
- Vendor employees, correctional employees, their siblings, spouses, and grandchildren are not eligible.
- Incoming first-time freshmen, along with enrolled full-time college and graduate students, must have a **minimum cumulative GPA of 3.3**. Students may be working toward a degree in any area of study.
- Students must be **enrolled full-time** in an accredited two-year or four-year college or university or an accredited graduate program.

In 2025, the scholarship amounts awarded will be \$1,500 for undergraduate and graduate students and \$1,000 for individuals who received a \$1,500 scholarship the previous year.

You can view a list of scholarship FAQs at https://cl.memberclicks.net/scholarship-faq

To apply, please visit our website, where you will find the application form at <u>https://www.correctionalleaders.com/smh-scholarship</u>

Any questions can be directed to Tanna Perez at scholarships@correctionalleaders.com