## WILLIAM E. AND LOUISE SHANK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

administered by the Elizabeth Forward Alumni & Friends Association

### ABOUT THE WILLIAM E. AND LOUISE SHANK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The scholarship was established by Bill (Class of 1958) and Jon (Class of 1960) Shank for their parents, William E. (Sr.) and Louise Schwirian Shank. Bill and Louise Shank were raised in the Victory section of Elizabeth Township when many school-aged children faced circumstances that prevented them from continuing their formal education beyond grade school. However, they realized the value of education and made sure their sons would be able to take advantage of educational opportunities they did not have.

#### TERMS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

One scholarship of \$2,000 will be awarded to a graduating senior at Elizabeth Forward High School intent on furthering his or her education as a full-time student at a four-year college or university.

#### **SELECTION PROCESS AND CRITERIA**

The Scholarship Selection Committee will review all complete applications based on the applicant's academic achievements, leadership, citizenship, and response to prompt below.

#### NOTIFICATION AND RECEIPT OF SCHOLARSHIP

The recipient will be notified by early May via e-mail and a confirmation letter. The letter will inform the recipient of what needs to be provided to EFAFA to receive the scholarship. Information relating to a required thank you letter will be included with the confirmation letter.

#### THE APPLICATION

- 1. Using word processing, submit the following information. Include the number/letter of the item when providing your information.
  - a. Name of the scholarship for which you are applying:
  - b. Your Name:
  - c. Home Address:
  - d. Home Telephone Number:
  - e. Cell Telephone Number:
  - f. Texting Number:
  - g. E-mail Address:
  - h. Name of college/university you plan to attend:
  - i. Name of intended major:
  - j. Briefly explain why you believe you meet the criteria for this scholarship:
  - k. Write a 300-500-word essay (double-spaced) on this prompt: **Identify the person who** has influenced you the most during your high school years, state why this person

# influenced you, and how you believe that person's influence will affect you in the coming years.

- 2. As a separate document, prepare an up-to-date personal resume that includes your academic achievements, senior-year courses, extracurricular activities, community service, etc.
- 3. Email the application, the essay, and the resume as **separate PDF attachments** to <a href="mailto:EFAFA.Board@gmail.com">EFAFA.Board@gmail.com</a> as soon as possible but not later than February 28.

  The filename must indicate the specific scholarship and the component of the application, for example: williamlouiseshank\_application.pdf and williamlouiseshank\_essay.pdf. Place the name of the scholarship in the Subject heading.