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**Cape Girardeau, Missouri -** Applications for the 2015 Saint Francis Healthcare Scholarship Program funded by the Saint Francis Foundation and Auxiliary are now available. The program awards 23 scholarships of up to \$2,000 annually to students pursuing a healthcare-related career.

Applicants must have successfully completed one year of an accredited healthcare program and have at least a 3.0 grade point average. They must also reside within Saint Francis Medical Center's service area, as defined in the application. Applicants must submit all required documentation and a completed application to the Foundation by 5 pm on Monday, June 29. Students are eligible to receive a scholarship a maximum of two years.

Since it was created in 1980, the scholarship program has provided more than \$533,000 in education scholarships to college students in an effort to encourage participation in professional healthcare careers.

All applicants are considered regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, religion, ancestry, age, handicap or veteran status. Applications are available at foundation.sfmc.net/scholarship. For more information, please contact the Foundation at 573-331-5790.

Saint Francis Foundation is a not-for-profit, tax-exempt charitable organization that supports Saint Francis Medical Center by strengthening the institution overall and reaffirming its mission of supporting the community and the people it serves. Formally organized in 1976, its mission reflects the Medical Center's priorities through fundraising efforts that support the community.

The Foundation sponsors several annual events, including golf tournaments, and philanthropic activities such as annual appeals, memorials, endowment funds, planned giving, grants and major gifts.

Through the generosity of the community, staff and volunteers, the Foundation accepts contributions each year to purchase state-of-the-art equipment, provide patient and employee assistance, create new programs that help patients in the region, and improve facilities at the Medical Center. Saint Francis Medical Center is proud to be the only employer in Missouri ranked on *Modern Healthcare* magazine's prestigious Best Places to Work in Healthcare list for six consecutive years (2008-2013).

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