



# The Emanuel Swedenborg Scholarship

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**About the Scholarship:**

The Boston Society of the New Jerusalem (Swedenborgian) offers a four-year \$13,500 annual scholarship (if requirements are met) to graduating high school seniors who live or attend school in Boston, MA.

**About our Church**

The Boston Society of the New Jerusalem (Swedenborgian), also known as the Church on the Hill, is a Christian church formed in 1818 by followers of the Swedish theologian, scientist, and philosopher Emanuel Swedenborg. Since 1845 our church has been located atop Beacon Hill adjacent to the State House and has welcomed all who wish to join us in exploring each person’s spirituality and desire to show kindness and goodwill.

**Who is Emanuel Swedenborg**

Born in 1688 in Stockholm, Sweden, he mastered virtually all the known sciences of his time. After multiple mystical experiences, he devoted the last 27 years of his life to writing books on religion. Swedenborg shared in his theological writings a view of God as infinitely loving and at the very center of our beings. Swedenborg said, “All religion relates to life, and the life of religion is to do good.”

**Submission Guidelines**

The application and essay must be submitted by May 1 to the BSNJ Education Committee, 140 Bowdoin St., Boston, MA 02108

**What is the criteria?**

The scholarship is a need-based scholarship. The selection of the candidate; however, will not be based on which applicant has the most need. The committee will examine the application and make a determination as to who it feels is most deserving of the award. The committee will look at GPA, community service, financial need, and the materials in the application. Religious belief will not be a factor in selection.

**Award Guidelines**

Scholarship recipients must, when selected, submit a copy of their college acceptance letter, FASFA form, and be able to attend an award presentation event.

Name			Date of Birth:
Address			Phone:
City	State	Zip	
Email:			
High School:			
Expected Institution of Higher Learning			





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### Essay Question

Emanuel Swedenborg's concept of use (or useful service) is an important part of our lives. If we have chosen to embark on the path of becoming better people, then an essential part of that process is trying to be useful to others. This includes not only doing good deeds and helping people, but also doing our daily work well. A trash collector who does a thorough job of getting rid of people's garbage is far more helpful to others than one who, in hurrying to finish the job, leaves trash strewn all over the street. What is an example of a time you did something well and the result was more than you planned?