

## **Laura Cody McNaughton Public Health and Community Service Award**

Applications are being accepted for the Laura Cody McNaughton Public Health and Community Service Award. This year a \$15,000 and a \$5,000 award will be made. Candidates will demonstrate a commitment to service within their school and community. The 2026 Laura Cody McNaughton Community Health and Public Service Award will be awarded to graduating seniors who exemplify Laura's leadership and giving spirit, and, are pursuing further education and training in a field where these principles may be put into practice.

Laura Cody McNaughton grew up in Springfield and was valedictorian of the Springfield High School, Class of 2000. She was involved in school and community activities throughout her years in the Springfield School System. After receiving a Masters of Public Health and working for public health organizations in the Boston area, she returned to Windsor County and served as a District Director for the Vermont Department of Public Health. She was a resident of Weathersfield and served on the Weathersfield School Board where her passion for health and wellness led to significant improvements in the school.

These scholarships will honor her many contributions to the greater Springfield community throughout her years.

The deadline is Friday, April 24, 2026.

Laura Cody McNaughton Public Health Community Service Award  
Scholarship Selection Committee  
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The scholarships are provided by the Laura Cody McNaughton Memorial Fund established by the family and friends of Laura Cody McNaughton. Each year the community and friends come together for the Lace Up for Laura Memorial 5K the last weekend of June which provides the funds for these scholarships.

## Eligibility

Open to any greater Springfield-area student or Weathersfield School graduate who has been accepted into a four-year accredited college.

## Amount

\$15,000.00

\$ 5,000

## Criteria

Applicants will be judged on their commitment to the field of public health and/or community service as well as academic achievement. An interview with the candidate may be requested.

## Deadline

Completed applications with all required material must be received on Friday, April 24, 2026.

The 2026 recipient will be announced in June.

## Requirements

E-Mail the following to: [lcmmemorialfund@gmail.com](mailto:lcmmemorialfund@gmail.com)

1. Application form with cover letter
2. Transcript from high school
3. Acceptance letter from college or university you plan to attend
4. 2 letters of recommendation including reference to your service

**Laura Cody McNaughton Public Health and Community Service  
Award  
2026 Application**

Name

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*First*                                      *Middle*                                      *Last*

Address

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Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

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*Month / Day / Year*

High School \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

Four-year accredited College or University Name and your Major if selected

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Please attach a cover letter which tells us about yourself and includes reference to:

- Extra-curricular activities pursued during the course of your education
- Activities and/or employment demonstrating your commitment to public health
- Your service to your community
- A description of your intended area of study in college and career goals
- Your leadership experiences
- Academic or other achievements and aw