

# Paula and William O'Brien Transportation Scholarship Fund

#### History

This Fund was established in honor of Paula and William O'Brien, longtime volunteers and supporters of Gabriel Network, by their children and spouses. It provides financial assistance for transportation needs to work, school, doctor's appointments and other necessary obligations.

#### Purpose

Gabriel Network exists to provide **practical, emotional and spiritual support** to women and families facing unplanned pregnancies. In an effort to assist motivated women in achieving their own life affirming goals, and thereby better provide for themselves and their children, the Gabriel Network will award semi-annual scholarships to qualified applicants.

#### Scholarship Awards

The Fund will provide for individual scholarships of \$300 per 6-month period. Awards may be used to pay for gas, public transportation (SmarTrip), Uber, Lyft. No cash, check or credit card amount will go directly to the applicant.

#### **Eligibility Requirements**

The scholarship is open to pregnant women or mothers with young children who have an active relationship with a current or past Gabriel Network Angel Friend/volunteer or staff member and who:

- ✓ Demonstrates an existing relationship with Gabriel Network by providing a brief letter of recommendation from a current or past Gabriel Network Angel Friend/Volunteer or staff member
- ✓ Completes the scholarship application
- ✓ Shows both a need for financial assistance and a positive outlook for the future by answering a current life questionnaire

#### **Application Information**

Applications are accepted on the first of each month and are reviewed promptly for completeness. Only one recipient will be chosen each month in the order received. Incomplete applications will result in immediate disqualification. All applicants will receive a response stating whether they have (1) received the scholarship this month, (2) advising them to apply next month, or (3) reason for disqualification.

Completed applications should be emailed to <u>office@gabrielnetwork.org</u> Please call 800-264-3565 ext. 302 with any questions.

## Paula and William O'Brien **Transportation Scholarship Application**

Applications accepted on the first of each month by emailing office@gabrielnetwork.org

| 1. | Legal Name      |                        |       |                |     |      |
|----|-----------------|------------------------|-------|----------------|-----|------|
|    |                 | Last                   |       | First          |     | MI   |
| 2. | Home address    |                        |       |                |     |      |
|    |                 | Street Number and Name |       |                |     |      |
|    |                 |                        |       |                |     |      |
|    |                 | City                   | State |                | Zip | Apt# |
| 3. | Contact Informa | tion                   |       |                |     |      |
|    |                 | Cell phone             |       | E-Mail Address |     |      |

4. Type of transportation requesting (circle one): Gas gift card, SmarTrip, Uber, Lyft.

5. Application Checklist

I have attached the following documents to an email to <u>office@gabrielnetwork.org</u>

a fully completed application

\_\_\_\_\_ responses to Current Life Questionnaire

letter of recommendation from current or past GN Angel Friend/Volunteer or staff member

I certify that my responses to the questions on this application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Application and attachments may be emailed to office@gabrielnetwork.org

### **Current Life Questionnaire**

(2-3 sentence answers are acceptable)

1. How has Gabriel Network helped you and your family so far?

2. Please briefly describe your current transportation challenges.

3. How will this \$300 scholarship (if received) help you?

- 4. Do you give Gabriel Network permission to quote your answers online to help others learn about Gabriel Network? (your answer to this question does NOT influence whether or not you are selected to receive this scholarship) <u>YES/NO</u>
- 5. (optional) We want more pregnant women to know about Gabriel Network! Pictures are very helpful in our online posts. If you are willing to send us a picture of you and your baby/child, we would love to use it in a post. Note- we will only do this if you give us permission to quote you. Sending us a picture will NOT influence whether or not you are selected to receive this scholarship.

# Letter of Recommendation from current or past Angel Friend/Volunteer

or staff member (only use the staff option if unable to connect with/find the volunteer. Please provide the name of the volunteer you were assigned to but cannot connect with now\_\_\_\_\_)