

Hanna's Hands:

2021 FLY Scholarship Fund from AFLC Youth Ministries

Opportunity:

For an AFLC congregational leader (youth director or pastor) to apply for two teenagers to each receive a paid registration rate (\$499 per person), in order to attend FLY 2021 as a student.

Criteria:

- 1) **New Attendees** – Both teenagers who receive a scholarship are only eligible if they are new attendees to FLY. These individuals cannot have attended the national youth gathering previously as a student.
- 2) **Congregational Leader Recommendation** – The AFLC congregational leader (pastor or youth director) must include a clear representation of why these two teenagers are worthy recipients.
- 3) **Two Scholarships Per Congregation** – The nature of this award is to encourage two teens from the same congregation to participate in FLY. One teen will not be considered in the spirit of this award. Although some thought may suggest that two teens of the same gender may be best suited to encourage one another within this experience, any two persons who are currently in 7th-12th grade are eligible. (In other words, the applicants can be two girls, two boys, or one girl and one boy.)
- 4) **Application Deadline** – The application process will open in October. The deadline for a fully completed congregational application is January 7, 2021. The application will include questions about the congregation and teenagers for the scholarship team to review.
- 5) **Total Awards** – There are four (4) sets of two scholarships per congregation available for a total of eight potential recipients. The four congregations will be informed on or before January 24, 2021.

Additional Details:

- **Scholarship Applied Post-Registration** – The award recipients will be required to complete the online registration for the FLY Convention by the best rate deadline of February 12, 2021. The scholarship amount (\$499 each) will be applied to recipients' accounts by the FLY Registrar after an online registration is completed. The recipients will not be asked to pay a deposit amount.
- **Priority to New/Renewed Congregations** – The local AFLC congregations that have been limited in their participation of teenagers at FLY in 2015, 2017, and 2019 will be given a higher priority. This priority will not eliminate a congregation's consideration, so local churches with teens at all three past national youth gatherings are still encouraged to apply.
- **One Set of Two Scholarships Per Congregation** – No single congregation or parish will be eligible to receive more than the one set of two teen scholarships.
- **Eligible Teens** – Since the Free Lutheran Youth Federation Constitution defines eligible attendees to FLY as "all youth groups," the teens that attend or have some connection to an AFLC youth group are fully eligible. A teenager does not need to be a member of a local AFLC congregation to be eligible.
- **Paper Application** – A downloadable PDF will be available for the congregational leader (youth director or pastor) to print off, to complete, and to mail to AFLC Youth Ministries, ATTN: Hanna's Hands, 3110 E. Medicine Lk Blvd, Plymouth MN 55441. All submissions must be **postmarked by January 7, 2021**, in order to be eligible for the Hanna Upmanis Legacy Scholarship, also known as "Hanna's Hands."

Questions? Please direct them to Rev. Dr. Jason Holt, Director of AFLC Youth Ministries, or Sharon Rykhus, AFLC Youth Board Liaison to the FLY Committee. Initial contact information is youth@aflc.org or 763.545.5631.

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Name of Congregation (City, State): _____

Name of Congregational Contact: _____

Contact's Primary Email & Phone: _____

Contact's Congregational Role (Pastor, Youth Leader, Etc.): _____

Recommendation Questions

- 1) What are the names of the two teenagers that you are applying for, in order to see them receive a FLY scholarship for their registrations?

(A)

(B)
- 2) Have these two teens previously attended a FLY Convention?
- 3) What are the grounds for which you are recommending these two individuals to be awarded the Hanna's Hands Scholarship for FLY 2021?

4) Which of the following FLY Conventions has your congregation attended? (Please mark all years that apply and list congregational FLY attendance. The first line offers a sample. A blank row is communicating that the congregation did not have anyone attend FLY in that year.)

CHECK	YEAR	TEENS	ADULTS/STAFF
X	Year of FLY	7	2
	2015		
	2017		
	2019		

5) What is your prayer for these two recommended teens and how can you anticipate that the Lord may use being awarded the Hanna’s Hands Scholarship in their lives?

6) What additional information would you like the Hanna’s Hands Scholarship Team to be aware of in reviewing this application?

The information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge as a spiritual leader and it is offered with the desire to encourage the teens listed in knowing Jesus and following Him.

Printed Name _____ Today’s Date _____

Signature _____

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