ABOUT THE FUND

Continuing a legacy of giving that has made a lasting impact on the lives of West Virginians and Morgantown citizens, Laurence and Jean DeLynn made a contribution of $1 million to Your Community Foundation to establish and administer the DeLynn Scholarship Fund.

The late Laurence DeLynn, a 30-year member of Mylan Laboratories' Board of Directors and longtime friend of the late Mike Puskar, co-founder and Chairman of Mylan, was a part of the growth of Morgantown for more than 50 years. Creating the scholarship fund at YCF supports the continued growth of our community foundation and allowed the DeLynns the opportunity to give back to the company that helped them to achieve so many of their philanthropic goals, Mylan Laboratories Inc.

In 2005, Laurence and Jean joined a distinguished list of honorees to receive the Milan Puskar Award, having brought their visionary leadership in the community to fruition through their many contributions to the West Virginia University School of Medicine and the Mary Babb Randolph Cancer Center.

In their hometown of Morgantown, and their adopted hometown of Longboat Key, Fla., the DeLynns also directed their volunteer and philanthropic efforts toward children. Whether serving as mentors or helping to provide summer arts and recreation activities, Laurence and Jean always held the health and well-being of children in highest regard. YCF currently administers the DeLynn Arts for Children Fund to support these types of activities.

ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

Provides a $5,000 per year ($2,500 per semester) scholarship to current high school seniors who are children or grandchildren of 1) Mylan Pharmaceuticals employees who were employed full-time at the Morgantown, West Virginia location as of December 11, 2020, OR 2) retired full-time employees of Mylan Pharmaceuticals, Morgantown, West Virginia location. Only current high school seniors are eligible to apply; those currently in college will not be considered for this award. Recipients must be enrolled in a four-year undergraduate degree program and demonstrate high academic promise by achieving and maintaining a 3.2 overall GPA for all years that the scholarship is received. Applicants must also demonstrate excellence, commitment and leadership through involvement with school and community activities, as well as financial need. This scholarship is renewable for up to four years as long as the recipient continues to meet the required criteria.

To apply, please visit www.ycfwv.org/scholarships.

HOW CAN I DONATE?

The scholarship is managed by Your Community Foundation of North Central West Virginia, Inc. (YCF). YCF is a qualified 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization eligible to receive donations.

Any individual, organization, or business can make a tax-deductible contribution to the fund. Donations are accepted in the form of checks, credit cards, stocks and through bequests. To donate online, click on the “Donate” link on the YCF website, www.ycfwv.org. You may enter a name of a specific fund during the checkout process. Alternatively, donations by check may be made payable to "YCF" and mailed to the address below. Checks should include the name of the fund in the memo line.

For more information, call 304-296-3433 or email info@ycfwv.org.