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Lindenwood University has established a \$1 million matching scholarship program for the Families of Freedom Scholarship Fund. It joins Harvard University, which has pledged \$1 million to the Fund's campaign, and the American Council on Education to support this effort on behalf of higher education.

The Families of Freedom Scholarship Fund is dedicated to providing education assistance for postsecondary study to financially needy dependents of those killed or permanently disabled as a result of the terrorist attacks and during rescue activities relating to those attacks.

"Lindenwood University is proud to offer matching scholarships to families of the victims of this terrible attack. America is a strong, compassionate nation and we are happy to offer this assistance to those who have given so much," said Dennis Spellmann, president, Lindenwood University.

The Lindenwood University Fund will match, dollar for dollar, scholarship awards from the Families of Freedom Scholarship Fund to students attending Lindenwood University each academic year. Awards are renewable each year for up to four years provided the student(s) establishes and maintains good standing with the University.

Specific inquiries regarding the scholarship should be directed to Carl Bearden, (636) 949-4903.

The Citizens' Scholarship Foundation of America (CSFA), the nation's largest private sector scholarship and educational support organization located in St. Peter and Minneapolis, Minnesota, and Lumina Foundation for Education, a private foundation dedicated to expanding access to postsecondary education located in Indianapolis, Indiana, created the Fund on September 17, 2001

The Fund will benefit dependents of the victims, including airplane crew and passengers, World Trade Center and Pentagon workers and visitors, and rescue workers, including firefighters, emergency medical personnel and law enforcement personnel. Former President Bill Clinton and former Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole are serving as co-chairs of the campaign fund effort.

Lindenwood University joins the Lumina Foundation for Education, which created the Fund with a \$3 million grant to encourage contributions from individuals. Lindenwood University is a leader in the state of Missouri in providing financial aid based on need, and the Families of Freedom Scholarship Fund is a natural extension of Lindenwood's demonstrated record of providing opportunities for students to attend an institution of higher learning.

"We at CSFA have pledged that all contributions—100 percent of the principal—will go directly to support undergraduate education at an accredited, U.S.-based college, university, or vocational/technical school for the victims' family members throughout the life of the program," said William C. Nelsen, president of CSFA. "The program will extend to currently enrolled undergraduate students, as well as future students, for the life of the Fund."

CSFA will work with government agencies and known employers of victims to assemble the database of eligible

participants in the program. The size of the eventual financial awards will depend on the size of the Fund, the numbers of eligible participants, and the financial need of applicants. CSFA plans to begin assisting financially needy eligible survivors currently enrolled in qualified institutions as early as January, 2002.

To make a donation online: Visit <http://www.familiesoffreedom.org>. Or to make a donation over the phone, call 1-800-335-1102 with your credit card available.

Make checks payable to Citizens' Scholarship Foundation of America, designating the Families of Freedom Scholarship Fund, and mail to Citizens' Scholarship Foundation of America, 1505 Riverview Road, P.O. Box 297, St. Peter, Minnesota 56082.

If you have questions, please call 1-800-335-1102 or email [familiesoffreedom@csfa.org](mailto:familiesoffreedom@csfa.org).

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