

SCHOLARSHIPS AND MINISTERIAL EDUCATION FUNDS COMMITTEE

Official Report

The Scholarships and Ministerial Education Funds Committee oversees financial awards “to further the educational development of (a) persons who are preparing for the Baptist ministry and (b) emerging leaders of all ages.” (Constitution, Article VII, Section D, The Committee on Scholarships and Ministerial Education Funds.)

Eligible Virginia Baptist students may receive assistance through:

- BGAV College Scholarships providing aid for undergraduate education;
- BGAV Ministerial Education Funds which support undergraduate or graduate education in preparation for vocational ministry; or,
- BGAV Nontraditional Ministry Education Scholarships that allow individuals to capitalize on opportunities to secure training and continuing education for work in the local church.
- BGAV Internship Grants made available to churches who want to provide internship opportunities in ministry settings

With the generous gifts, partnerships, and prayers that enable these scholarship funds, BGAV Churches have been able to assist 100 individuals who are a part of 71 different churches in our Association, to the tune of \$107,070 (see chart below for details).

We are excited to announce a broadening of our support by offering a new scholarship opportunity: Funding toward Continuing Education, particularly for pastors of churches that are unable to fund conferences and educational seminars to refresh and inspire their servant leaders.

The purpose of the BGAV Scholarships and Ministerial Education Funds was, and is, to invest in the lives of students and ministers of our cooperating Virginia Baptist Churches, tangibly demonstrating that the Baptist General Association stands in partnership with individuals who are called, preparing for, and serving as leaders of our congregations.

I express my gratitude to all the members of this committee and to the Resourcing Team of the BGAV for their exceptional work.

Award	Monies	Recipients	Churches	Institutions
College	\$49,000	50	35	28
Ministerial	\$26,500	7	7	6
Nontraditional	\$10,420	28	22	1
Church Internships	\$21,150	15	10	n/a
Unique Totals	\$107,070	100	71	34

Respectfully submitted,

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