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Point Foundation
National LGBT Scholarship Fund
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For students who are underprivileged, especially those who have been abandoned by family and other support systems because of their sexual orientation or gender identity, the cost of an education can seem an insurmountable obstacle to success. Point Foundation believes these students should not be further disadvantaged as they prepare for the future.

Since its inception in 2001, Point has invested more than $3 million in outstanding lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender students. This year the foundation will invest more than $1M in the scholarship recipients. A Point Scholarship covers tuition, books, supplies, room and board, transportation and living expenses, and is set up with the individual college to meet the needs of the Point Scholar. The average scholarship award per scholar is $13,600. The average total program expense that includes scholarship funding, mentoring and leadership training is $34,000 per year per scholar.

In exchange, all Point Scholars agree to maintain a high level of academic performance and give back to the LGBT community through the completion of an individual community service project. Each Point Scholar makes a personal investment in their own future by either working while studying or acquiring debt to help finance their education.

However, Point Scholars receive far more than financial support. Point strives to equip Point Scholars with skills to ensure a lifetime of exceptional leadership. They are also in contact with a support network of professionals willing to be personally involved in their well-being and future success, a chosen family of caring individuals who understand.

- Proven track record
- Strong academic achievement
- Working for LGBTQ community