

# Erin Marie Masling Scholarship Fund



The Erin Marie Masling Scholarship Fund was created in 2005 by the Masling family and friends in memory of our daughter Erin, who died in October 2005 at the age of 24. Erin was diagnosed at two with cystic fibrosis, a lung disease, and received a lung transplant in 2001. During 2005 she began having rejection difficulties, and while awaiting a second transplant for a better donor match she ran out of time.

Erin graduated from Canandaigua Academy in 1998, and attended Ithaca College's Park School of Communication graduating cum laude in 2003. Unfortunately Erin's life was cut short and she was not able to fulfill the dreams and goals she had looked forward to.

This scholarship fund is in honor of Erin, to preserve her memory and to inspire others to continue to strive for excellence despite the challenges they face. The scholarships provide financial assistance to students attending school and college, so that those who face challenges can look forward to a better life and a rewarding future.

Erin's scholarship fund through the Community Foundation supports the following:

College students with cystic fibrosis, who are attending two and four year institutions.

The Park School of Communications OCLD department faculty award, to a student who exemplifies Erin's determination.

The Canandaigua Academy award to a student who faces a daily challenge of a chronic disease or condition.

Supporting students participating in Cameron Community Ministries, who are attending Our Lady of Mercy school.

Contributions to this scholarship fund can be made through RACF to continue to support students seeking a better future.

*The Erin Marie Masling Scholarship Fund is administered by Rochester Area Community Foundation. Information can be found at the Community Foundation website [www.racf.org/Scholarships](http://www.racf.org/Scholarships).*