Scholarship for Lutheran laywomen
Pastor’s Reference Form

Reference information is shared only with the scholarship committee.

Evaluator’s Information

Please provide preferred contact information—
phone and email address in case committee needs clarification.

Name: ________________________________________________________________
Title: ________________________________________________________________
Congregation city and state: ____________________________________________
My congregation has a Women ELCA unit?  ____Yes  ____No
Phone number: day________________________ evening ______________________
Email address: _______________________________________________________

Applicant’s Information:

Name: ________________________________________________________________
Member of congregation:  ____Yes  ____No  How long ________
United States citizen  ____Yes  ____No
As a consideration to our scholarship committee, please type your responses in a separate letter of reference addressing the following questions, giving your frank evaluation of the scholarship applicant using a common font, such as Times New Roman or Book Antigua, no smaller than 11 point. Also please limit your response to one page total.

1. What is the length of time you have known the applicant?
2. What gifts does the applicant offer your congregation?
3. Is the applicant active in the Women of the ELCA unit in your congregation?
4. What three or four words would you use to describe the applicant?
5. Why should Women of the ELCA invest in this applicant?

Signature _______________________________ Date _______

The scholarship committee thanks you for your careful assessment of the applicant.

This reference form MUST be mailed or emailed by Feb. 15, 2020

Email all application materials to:
Women of the ELCA Scholarship Program
Women.ELCA@elca.org
Subject line: Scholarship (Name of Applicant)
Mailing address: 8765 W. Higgins Road, Chicago, IL 60631-4101

Applications and supporting documents must be emailed or mailed (with postmark) to Women of the ELCA no later than Feb. 15, 2020. There are no exceptions.

Women of the ELCA provides financial assistance to ELCA women who meet certain criteria. Being a United States citizen and a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America are eligibility criteria for all. Awards are based on the Fund Eligibility Guidelines and Scholarship Committee Considerations.