

**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

**Written Response**

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** emailed by April 5

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 to Women of the ELCA no later than April 5. 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.*