



# Devoted to the Future of Students Who Have Experienced Foster Care or Homelessness

Every year, more than 1,000 young people age out of the foster care system in Pennsylvania. While 84% of these young people want to attend college, nationally only 20% enroll and fewer than 5% graduate. In addition, thousands of students across the nation experience homelessness or housing instability.

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## How Do Students Benefit

The Community Scholars Program provides these students with the resources they need to feel a true sense of belonging and engagement. Our program addresses every aspect of the student experience to help young people have the peace of mind and confidence to realize their full potential.

### **Program highlights include:**

- On-campus gap housing
- Free items for daily living, including cleaning supplies, hygiene materials, laundry detergent, and more
- Free school supplies, including backpacks, as well as access to a technology-lending library
- Community study hours and weekly meetings with a success coach
- On-campus employment
- Program events with dinner or snacks throughout the semester
- Meeting space for groups & meetings as well as “chill” space
- Career, internship, and study abroad support and information
- Connections to community organizations for added support and service opportunities

Carlow is dedicated to the future of ensuring every student with aspirations of higher education is given the opportunity and support to achieve their dreams.



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