There are now FOUR (4) options by which a Voiture Locale may participate in the George B. Boland Nurses Training Scholarship program.

The first and most popular is the TRADITIONAL Scholarship Option, which has been conducted by the 40&8 since the George B. Boland Nurses Training program was created in 1976. The rules governing the TRADITIONAL Scholarship Option allow for the awarding of individual scholarship grants of up to $1,500.00 per academic year. The detailed Scholarship Option qualification criteria are presented below.

1. **TRADITIONAL Scholarship Option:** As a minimum, a Voiture Locale MUST satisfy the following eligibility criteria.
   
   a. The applicant student MUST be a U.S. Citizen.
   
   b. The applicant student MUST be enrolled in an educational institution above the high school level.
   
   c. The applicant student MUST be certified as a full-time student by the applicable educational institution.
   
   d. The applicant student MUST be pursuing an education in the field of nursing, leading to either a Registered Nurse (RN) or Nurse Practitioner (NP) certification or license, as applicable.
   
   e. The sponsoring Voiture Locale MUST have exhausted its budgeted Nurses Training financial resources, helping at least one other qualifying applicant student. NOTE: The Boland Scholarship Committee will NOT EXCEED the grant amount normally given by the Voiture Locale. Maximum grant allowance is $1,500.00.
   
   f. A Voiture Locale may submit as many qualified applications as it wishes under the TRADITIONAL Scholarship Option. However, a Voiture Locale is only allowed to have ONE (1) application, regardless of amount, approved by the Boland Scholarship Committee each program year (July 1 thru June 30). Once a Voiture Locale submits an application that is accepted and approved by the Boland Scholarship Committee, that particular Voiture Locale is PROHIBITED from submitting any additional applications to the Committee, for the remainder of the current program year.
g. Within any single program year, should a Voiture Locale submit an application under the TRADITIONAL Scholarship Option, which is accepted and approved by the Boland Scholarship Committee, the Voiture Locale is then PROHIBITED from submitting an application under the LIMITED Scholarship Option, within the same current program year.

The second option is the LIMITED Scholarship Option. The rules governing the LIMITED Scholarship Option allow for the awarding of individual scholarship grants of not more than $500.00 per academic year. The LIMITED Scholarship Option is intended to assist those Voiture Locale’s with limited financial resources (money), who wish to participate in the Nurses Training Scholarship program, but fail to qualify for the Boland Scholarship program under the TRADITIONAL Scholarship Option rules.

2. LIMITED Scholarship Option: As a minimum, a Voiture Locale MUST satisfy the following eligibility criteria.

   a. The applicant student MUST be a U.S. Citizen.
   b. The applicant student MUST be enrolled in and educational institution above the high school level.
   c. The applicant student MUST be certified as a full-time student by the applicable educational institution.
   d. The applicant student MUST be pursuing an education in the field of nursing.
   e. During the PREVIOUS Nurses Training Program Year, the submitting Voiture Locale MUST have participated in the Nurses Training program, but due to limited available financial resources (money), DID NOT award a single nurses training scholarship.
   f. At the end of the PREVIOUS Nurses Training Program Year, the submitting Voiture Locale had submitted a “NATIONAL NURSES TRAINING Report for Voiture Locale” form (as provided in the PETITE COMMUNIQUE), to their applicable Grande Nurses Training Directeur. The report indicated the following.
      i. The “Total Dollars Donated to George B. Boland Trust Fund” was NO LESS THAN $300.
      ii. The “Total Dollars Expended in Nurses Training this Year” was EQUAL TO THE AMOUNT SHOWN AS “Total Dollars Donated to George B. Boland Trust Fund”.
   g. A Voiture Locale may submit as many qualified applications as it wishes under the LIMITED Scholarship Option. However, a Voiture Locale will be LIMITED to having ONLY ONE (1) application, regardless of amount, approved by the Scholarship Committee each particular program year (July 1 thru June 30). NOTE: Under the Limited Scholarship Option, the maximum grant allowance is $500.00.
h. Should a Voiture Locale submit an application under the LIMITED Scholarship Option that is accepted and approved by the Boland Scholarship Committee, that Voiture Locale is PROHIBITED from submitting any further applications, under either the TRADITIONAL or LIMITED options, for the remainder of the current program year.

The third Scholarship Option is the ADVANCED DEGREE Program Scholarship Option which, like the TRADITIONAL Option, has been conducted by the 40&8 since the Boland Nurses Training program was created in 1976. The ADVANCED DEGREE program is administered entirely by Voiture Nationale. Those interested in applying for a scholarship grant under the ADVANCED DEGREE program, need NOT apply through a Voiture Locale, but rather, would contact Voiture Nationale directly. However, a Locale may forward an ADVANCED DEGREE program application to the Committee, on behalf of a qualified worthy student applicant. Upon request, ADVANCED DEGREE (blue) application forms, materials, information or general assistance, will be provided directly to the applicant student. The rules governing the ADVANCED DEGREE Program Scholarship Option allow for the awarding of individual scholarship grants of up to $1,500.00 per academic year.

The forth and final George B. Boland Nurses Training Scholarship Option is the “AT-LARGE” Nurses Training application category which is ONLY available through your Grande. As the result of action taken during the 92nd Promenade Nationale, each recognized Grande Voiture is now authorized to submit no more than one (1) AT-LARGE application to the Boland Committee, during any particular program year.

An “AT-LARGE” application is defined as one which MUST have been originated by a Voiture Locale, regardless of whether or not the submitting Locale qualifies for the Boland program under either the TRADITIONAL or LIMITED Scholarship Options of the program. That is to say, the Locale may NOT have a regular nurses training program; it may NOT have sponsored any other student applicant; and it may NOT have expended any financial resources, budgeted or otherwise, helping at lease one other applicant student.

Under the rules governing the AT-LARGE Scholarship Option, each Grande Voiture is responsible for determining the timing and process by which it will identify and select its one (1) authorized application submission per program year. The Grande Voiture will collect AT-LARGE Boland applications from its associated Voiture Locals; exercise the necessary decision process; then submit its selected AT-LARGE application to the Committee for consideration. In doing so, a Grande Voiture may NOT subject an AT-LARGE Boland application, to qualifying criteria that are in conflict with those already established for the Boland Nurses Training Scholarship program.

A Grande Voiture wishing to submit an AT-LARGE Boland application MUST, as a minimum, meet the following qualifying criteria.

1. The application being submitted MUST have originated from a Voiture Locale within the geographic limits of the submitting Grande Voiture.

2. The originating Locale need NOT have a regular Nurses Training Program.

3. The originating Locale need NOT have sponsored any other student applicant(s) during the current program year.
4. The originating Locale need NOT have expended any budgeted financial resources helping at lease one other applicant student(s) during the current program year.

5. The applicant student MUST be a U.S. Citizen.

6. The applicant student MUST be enrolled in an educational institution above the high school level.

7. The applicant student MUST be certified as a full-time student by the applicable educational institution.

8. The applicant student MUST be pursuing an education in the field of nursing.

Those wishing to submit an AT-LARGE George B. Boland Nurses Training Scholarship Program application should contact their applicable Grande and request the necessary instruction and details for such. The provisions of the AT-LARGE Program Scholarship Option allows for the awarding of individual scholarship grants of up to $1,500.00 per academic year.

The George B. Boland Nurses Training Scholarship program is NOT a “matching funds” program. Rule #2, Paragraph (e) of the National 40& 8 – George B. Boland Nurses Scholarship program rules specifically states the following.

“Applications for scholarships or fellowships cannot be considered if the applicant is, or will be, receiving funds from the 40&8 regular Nurses Training program (conducted by a Voiture Locale), during the period of time which would be covered by the grant from the National 40&8 George B. Boland Trust Fund.”

The George B. Boland Nurses Training Trust Fund Scholarship Committee will decline any application which does NOT meet all rules and guidelines as set forth. The decision of the George B. Boland Nurses Training Trust Fund Scholarship Committee is final and cannot be appealed or overturned.

Students who are pursuing either an Associates or Bachelor Degree, and wish to apply for a scholarship grant under either the TRADITION, LIMITED or AT-LARGE Scholarship Options, as applicable for the sponsoring Voiture Locale, should obtain a “WHITE” application form from the Voiture Locale within whose jurisdiction the student’s residence of record is located.

Any application received without ALL the requested data and necessary signatures will be REJECTED by the Boland Scholarship Committee, and RETURNED as applicable.

All requested documentation such as transcripts of records, program acceptance letter, photo, etc., MUST accompany a grant application. Missing documentation will result in the application being REJECTED and RETURNED.

Applications submitted under the TRADITIONAL, LIMITED or AT-LARGE scholarship options MUST be signed by the submitting Voiture Locale’s Chef de Gare/Correspondant.
There are NO deadlines for submission of scholarship grant applications to the Boland Scholarship Committee under the TRADITIONAL, LIMITED or ADVANCED DEGREE Scholarship Option categories. Deadlines applicable for the submission of AT-LARGE applications are set by each participating Grande.

Qualifying and complete George B. Boland Nurses Training Scholarship program applications should be mailed to the following address.

Voiture Nationale
Attn: Boland Trust Fund
250 East 38th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46205

Program application forms, program information materials and program promotional items are available upon request from Voiture Nationale. Such requests can be made by either telephone (317) 634-1804; fax (317) 632-9365, or e-mail to ttaylor@fortyandeight.org Also, should you have any program related questions, comments, concerns, contact Voiture Nationale.

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