

**The Scott J. Reisser Memorial Scholarship Fund  
The Making Headway Scholarship Fund**

The Scott J. Reisser Memorial Scholarship fund is the culmination of his family's efforts to establish a fitting memorial for their beloved son, brother, grandson, nephew, and friend to so many. Scott's most cherished dream was to graduate from college, a milestone that he fell just short of achieving. After his death in 2006, it was clear that a vehicle to help other young brain tumor survivors achieve their educational goals was the most fitting memorial.

**Eligibility for Application:**

1. Be a brain or spinal cord tumor survivor living in NY, NJ, or CT metropolitan area.
2. Attending or admitted to a 4- or 2-year college or vocational program.
3. Be a US citizen and/or a legal and permanent resident of the US.

**Evaluation Criteria:**

1. Financial hardship will be taken into consideration as a part of the selection process, but will not be the sole criteria. Demonstration of need can be accomplished by providing a copy of your Financial Aid Application (FAFSA – Free Application for Federal Student Aid), other Financial Aid Application or tax return. (See <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/> for more information.)
2. Academic Merit based on test scores, awards and other demonstrations of academic performance.
3. The candidate's ability and desire to overcome the challenges presented with a brain or spinal cord tumor diagnosis.
4. The personal statement by the student applicant will be evaluated as part of the application.
5. Letters of recommendation complete the application and are considered in the context of the entire application.
6. Copy of your most recent, full-year report card or transcript.
7. Documentation from the school confirming the total cost of the school year.
8. Priority will be given to those students who have not received scholarships in the past.