



The Dottie Locke Imagining Possibilities Award recognizes young women who, upon reaching adult age, are either leaving the foster care system or a group home, and have demonstrated outstanding initiative, leadership, and a potential to succeed in achieving a career and/or educational goal. The purpose of this award is to acknowledge these individuals and to recognize their potential while overcoming many obstacles. Each year recipients are chosen with a potential of being awarded a \$2,000.00 scholarship.

Eligibility

This award is available to select young women who have been in foster care or a group home and are being emancipated. The candidate should have all or most of the following attributes:

- Motivated to succeed in school and /or work.
- Overcoming obstacles while maintaining a positive attitude.
- Serves as an inspiration to her peers.
- Demonstrates initiative and leadership.
- Has a financial need.
- Would derive great benefit from the assistance and encouragement this award provides.

Application

- Application Deadline: March 1st
- Complete candidate packet to include:
 - Completed Application
 - Letters of reference
 - 1 from their Social Worker
 - 1 additional (teacher, counselor or person not related to applicant)

Founder Information

Dottie Locke was an RN who drove ambulance in World War II and returned to Chico after the war. Dottie lived with the owner of KHSL and started 2 programs for SI/Chico. The first was "Teen Talk", a short weekly program on KHSL giving high school students the opportunity to talk on KHSL briefly about the world as they saw it. The second, Dottie organized a county wide conference of outstanding high school senior graduates to meet and discuss a topic of current national interest that would involve their future lives. Students met for lunch on Saturdays and came from Oroville, Paradise and Chico and elsewhere in the county.

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