

# The 2020 Marjorie Holt Scholarship Award



The Severna Park Republican Women's Club proudly announces the Marjorie Holt Scholarship Award. With this scholarship award we honor Marjorie Holt, Maryland's Congresswoman, who served seven terms in the U.S. House of Representatives and was a founding member of our club. We hope to inspire young women with her example of achievement, leadership, and service.

Marjorie Holt, born 1920, had decided in seventh grade that she wanted to become a member of the U.S. House of Representatives because of her admiration for Thomas Jefferson. While in office, one of her proudest achievements was a budget amendment in 1979 to reduce the growth of federal spending.

SPRWC 2020 Marjorie Holt Scholarship Amount: \$1,000

Candidates for the award are Senior Girls who reside in and attend high school in Anne Arundel County and are planning on attending college in the fall of 2020.

## ***Essay Criteria for the 2020 Scholarship***



While women made up the majority of voters in the 2012 election—casting 53 percent of ballots, according to exit poll data analyzed by the Center for American Progress—they were shut off from the polls altogether just a century ago. It took 72 years of tireless work for American women to secure the right to vote. On August 26, 1920 the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment was adopted.

Alice Paul, one of the suffragettes said when talking about voting rights, “I never doubted equal rights was the right direction. Most reforms, most problems are complicated. But to me there is nothing complicated about equality.”

What difference do you see it has made in the elections in the last 100 years of women voting?

In an essay of 750 words or less, please provide your opinion on the statement above and how you believe the Republican Party is responding to the elements of the statement.

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Please include your name, address, telephone number, high school you attend and college you are planning on attending in the fall of 2020 with your essay.

Please email to [sprepublicansMD@gmail.com](mailto:sprepublicansMD@gmail.com) by or before March 20, 2020.

Late responses will not be accepted