



SACRAMENTO REGION
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Common Scholarship Application **Administered by Sacramento Region Community Foundation**

Important Information

ELIGIBILITY

Each scholarship fund has specific eligibility criteria which were defined by the donor when the fund was established. These criteria are described in detail under each of the funds listed inside. Most of the scholarships require that applicants:

- Graduate from a public or private high school in the Sacramento County region or Northern California
- Demonstrate financial need
- Plan to attend an accredited two-or four-year college or university
- Be a full-time student

REQUIRED APPLICATION MATERIALS

- Completed application form
- Personal statement or essay
- Transcripts of grades
- Two letters of recommendation
- A copy of your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Student Aid Report for scholarships requiring a FAFSA.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

All materials must arrive in the office of the Sacramento Region Community Foundation unless otherwise specified by the due date indicated.

Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

Date of postmark and faxed applications will not be considered.

Mail or deliver completed applications to:

Sacramento Region Community Foundation
740 University Ave., Suite 110
Sacramento CA, 95825
Attn: Name of Scholarship (s)

WHO SHOULD I CONTACT IF I HAVE QUESTIONS?

You may contact Tina Bryce, Grants Manager, at 916-921-7723 or tina@sacregcf.org

Application Instructions

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY AND THOROUGHLY

1. APPLICATION FORM

Applications must be complete to be considered. Attach additional pages if necessary.

2. LETTERS OF REFERENCE

Provide two letters of reference only. Reference the eligibility and guidelines for specific instructions for each scholarship. Additional materials submitted will not be reviewed and will be discarded.

Letters from teachers, advisors and employers must be on school or company letterhead. All letters must be **signed** and **dated**. Photocopies are acceptable. Letters may be sealed in their own envelopes.

3. TRANSCRIPTS OF GRADES (Request your transcripts early as it may take 4-6 weeks)

All applications must include an **official** high school transcript. If you have taken college courses, an **official** college transcript must also be included for all work completed. **Photocopies and copies from the Internet are unacceptable.**

4. SIGNED AND DATED PERSONAL STATEMENT OR ESSAY

Reference the eligibility and guidelines for specific instructions for each scholarship's personal statement or essay.

Include a typed statement or essay at least 500 words (approximately 2-3 pages, double-spaced).

Sign and date your Personal Statement.

5. FINANCIAL NEED

A Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Student Aid Report must be submitted with all application packets for scholarship's requiring a FAFSA.

Enclose a copy of all pages of your Student Aid Report (SAR). This includes the summary of your answers to the FAFSA and your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) (updated information regarding your FAFSA application can be found online at www.fafsa.ed.gov/).

6. PROOF OF CITIZENSHIP OR LEGAL RESIDENCY

Refer to the eligibility requirement of each scholarship and provide the requested documentation for either proof of United States citizenship (photocopy of birth certificate, passport or naturalization papers) or documentation of legal residency (photocopy of visa or green card).

7. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Refer to each scholarship eligibility and guidelines for **additional required materials**.

Scholarship Descriptions

The College Promise Fund

Amount: at least \$1,000 per award
Renewable annually
Application Due Date:
April 6, 2009

The College Promise Fund

The College Promise Fund was established to provide financial assistance to first generation college students attending Sacramento City Community College who have the desire and potential to succeed.

- Be a graduating high school senior from a high school in Sacramento planning to attend Sacramento City College or be a current student at Sacramento City College
- Demonstrate financial need
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5
- Be the first generation to attend college in the family

The Diane Dawson Foundation

Amount: \$500 to \$1,500 per award
Application Due Date:
April 20, 2009

The Diane Dawson Foundation

This program was established in 2003 in memory of Gail Diane Dawson. She was constantly volunteering time at her church, local schools and community events. She cherished her family and friends, and her love and encouragement touched many. Her greatest joy was her two sons, Brad and Josh, and her dream was that they discover their gifts and talents, and become all that they can be. Her passion and love for her children, family, friends, and community was the inspiration for this foundation. It is this passion the foundation seeks to support in others.

- Be a graduating senior at a high school in the greater Sacramento or Denver area
- Have a parent or legal guardian with terminal cancer or other terminal illness, or have lost a parent to a terminal disease during their tenure in high school
- Have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5

Nadine Dimick Scholarship

Amount: at least \$1,000 per award
Application Due Date:
April 30, 2009

Nadine Dimick Nursing Scholarship

Nadine Dimick was a Stanford-educated nurse and a prominent local philanthropist. The Sacramento Region Community Foundation is pleased to honor Mrs. Dimick's commitment to nursing and service to the community through the Nadine Dimick Nursing Scholarship.

- Be enrolled in the nursing program at Sacramento City College
- Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Demonstrate financial need
- File a timely and complete application

Max and Nadine Dimick Scholarship

Amount: at least \$1,000 per award
Application Due Date:
April 30, 2009

Benny Goodman Foundation Scholarship

Amount: \$1,000 to \$3,500 per award
Application Due Date:
April 27, 2009

CeCe Hayes Memorial Scholarship

Amount: at least \$1,000 per award
Application Due Date:
April 1, 2009

Max and Nadine Dimick Scholarship

Max and Nadine Dimick will be known for years to come as generous and community-minded people. In the words of Dr. Dimick, "My wife, Nadine, and I led a storybook life in Sacramento. We feel a passion and a compulsion to say thank you." The Sacramento Region Community Foundation is pleased to honor Dr. and Mrs. Dimick's commitment to philanthropy and education through the Max and Nadine Dimick Scholarship.

- Be attending American River College or Cosumnes River College
- Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Demonstrate financial need

Benny Goodman Foundation Scholarship

Benny Goodman was a clarinetist, composer, and bandleader driven by his talent and love of music. The program was established to support musical talent by awarding a scholarship to a student who is majoring in Jazz or Classical music with an emphasis in the Clarinet. When Benny was nine, he was given a clarinet. Two of his brothers also received musical instruments (tuba, trombone, and/or a trumpet). According to Rachel Edelson (daughter), "Benny always said that he received the clarinet because he was the shortest." Benny was always playing a musical instrument; he was driven by his talent and passion for music. The Benny Goodman Foundation was designed to identify deserving students who best exemplify Benny's passion, drive and love for music. The selection committee will look for students who have a genuine passion for music, and who use their musical gifts and talents to enrich and inspire the lives of others and who will succeed in a music career.

- Be a current student attending the University of California Davis
- Have a grade point average of 3.0 in music classes
- Be majoring in Jazz or Classical music with an emphasis in the clarinet preferred
- Have a genuine passion and talent for music and plan to pursue a career in music

CeCe Hayes Memorial Scholarship

CeCe Hayes began her television career in Sacramento after graduating from California State University, Long Beach. She moved upward from receptionist to account executive and into management. CeCe founded and served as the president of Sacramento Women in Advertising. Through her church, CeCe gave back to the community by feeding the hungry and helping those less fortunate. CeCe's bright eyes, broad smile and sense of humor endeared her to many. This fund was established to honor CeCe's dedication and her contributions to the community.

- Be attending CSU Chico, CSU Long Beach or Sacramento State University
- Be a junior or senior pursuing a degree that will lead to a career in communications, broadcasting or advertising
- Demonstrate financial need

The Kristy Karacozoff Memorial Scholarship

Amount: \$250 to \$1,500 per award

Application Due Date:

April 30, 2009

The Mark McCollum "Ride On" Scholarship

Amount: \$1,000 to \$2,000 per award

Application Due Date:

April 27, 2009

Raymond Nelson Scholarship

Amount: at least \$1,000 per award

Application Due Date:

February 15, 2009

Kristy Karacozoff Memorial Scholarship

During her 16½ years of life, Kristi Karacozoff dedicated herself to her family, her studies, and the well-being of others. This program was developed as a legacy to carry on the values she held important in life. A devoted student, Kristi strove for academic excellence at every level in school. Never was there a time when she did not put her studies first. Even during a lengthy battle with liver disease, Kristi completed her school courses through a home hospital program. Managing to stay at grade level and achieving a 4.17 GPA with deteriorating health, she always kept her eye on the prize of a college education. Kristi's fondest desire was to become a pediatrician in order to help those she cared so much about, babies and children. Because of this incredible depth of character and dignity in strength, her legacy of learning and caring will continue. This scholarship fund will honor students, like Kristi, who fight battles with illness and other medical challenges while trying to reach their goals of higher education.

- Be a graduating senior at a high school in northern California or be a college student who graduated from a high school in northern California
- have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0
- Demonstrate a chronic or life-threatening illness, with a doctor's certification of your medical condition

The Mark McCollum "Ride On" Scholarship

This program was established in memory of Mark McCollum, who graduated from the Civil Engineering program at Sacramento State University in 1984. This scholarship is available to undergraduate students who are pursuing an engineering or construction degree at Sacramento State University.

- Be pursuing an engineering or construction degree at Sacramento State University
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5
- Be enrolled in at least 12 academic units per quarter/semester during the year of the scholarship award

Raymond Nelson Scholarship

This program was established in memory of Raymond Nelson, a great community leader and philanthropist to support the education of a deserving student at UC Davis or CSU Sacramento. Said student will have demonstrated an understanding of the value of giving back to the community and also an understanding of entrepreneurship and its value to local economic development.

- Be a Sophomore, Junior or Senior college student at UC Davis or CSU Sacramento
- With a focus in Business Administration
- Have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale)
- Be enrolled in at least 12 academic units per quarter/semester during the year of the scholarship award

Outstanding Youth College Scholarship

Amount: \$500 to \$1,000 per award
Application Due Date:
June 15, 2009

Paulsen Family Scholarship

Amount: \$1,000 for 2 year college
\$2,500 for 4 year university per award
Renewable annually
Application Due Date:
April 20, 2009

Brian Potts Scholarship

Amount: up to \$5,000 per award payable over three years
Application Due Date:
April 13, 2009

Outstanding Youth College Scholarship

This program was established to provide financial assistance to current and former foster youth who are determined to pursue a college education. This award is a “last dollar grant” and is intended to address any unmet need left after a student has received his or her financial aid package. Preference will be given to students who have successfully completed 1-2 semesters of college. However, high school students with a strong academic record and clear academic and professional goal will also be considered.

- Be a current or former foster youth
- Have a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA
- Enroll in and complete a minimum of 12 units per semester
- Plan to work a minimum of 10 hours while attending college

Paulsen Family Scholarship

This program was established in 1994 to benefit agricultural students in Colusa and Sutter counties planning to continue their education in the field of agriculture. The Paulsen Family wants to help remove financial obstacles for students who wish to pursue a career in agriculture, but who may lack the funds for college.

- Be a graduating senior from a Colusa or Sutter county high school, or be a student at a junior college or four-year college who has graduated from a high school in Colusa or Sutter counties
- Be planning to major in some area of agriculture, agribusiness, veterinary medicine, forestry, wildlife management, or natural resources at any community college, four-year college, or university with a well-recognized agricultural program, or be a continuing college student in agriculture
- Have a minimum grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 grading system

Bryan Potts Scholarship

Bryan Potts, a member of the Rio Americano High School class of 1986, was a versatile student whose enthusiasm for living extended into all areas of his life. His qualities were much admired by his family and friends, and it is in remembrance of those qualities that this scholarship fund was created. It is the hope of the Bryan Potts Scholarship’s contributors and selection committee that, by annually recognizing a Rio Americano senior who shares Bryan’s joy of living, Bryan’s life will continue to touch young people in the community. The selection of the Bryan Potts Scholar is designed to identify a deserving student who best exemplifies Bryan’s personal characteristics. The selection committee will look for that student whose zest for life enriches others and whose inquisitiveness leads to greater knowledge and self-understanding. Ideally, the Bryan Potts Scholar will be an affectionate, warm person whose presence lends a touch of humor and vitality to every situation.

- Be a graduating senior at Rio Americano High School
- Have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5
- Demonstrate financial need
- Be accepted to an accredited educational institution in a field of study leading to a baccalaureate degree

Del Paso Foundation: Bud Roberts Memorial Scholarship

Amount: at least \$2,000 per award
Application Due Date:
April 6, 2009

Ellen Arata Sewell Scholarship

Amount: at least \$500 per award
Application Due Date:
April 27, 2009

Del Paso Foundation: Bud Roberts Memorial Scholarship

The Del Paso Foundation is pleased to honor Bud Roberts's memory, and his wisdom and persistence, through the Del Paso Foundation: Bud Roberts Memorial Scholarship. Bud Roberts's interest in providing a vehicle for members of the Del Paso Country Club to give back to the community led to the establishment of the Del Paso Foundation in 2001. The Del Paso Foundation provides financial support to Sacramento County children's charities in addition to the scholarship program.

- Be a graduating senior or have graduated from a Sacramento County high school
- Be an employee of or have a parent or legal guardian who is an employee of a golf course or the golf courses hospitality facility in Sacramento County
- Demonstrate financial need

Ellen Arata Sewell Scholarship

Sacramento Native Ellena Arata Sewell (1908-99) loved music. In her 70s, she was the oldest student at the University of Nevada, Reno, working on her Master's degree in music. She was a church organist for over 30 years. As she aged, she began to lose her sight. So, she memorized many piano pieces so she could enjoy playing music to the end of her life. Established in 2000, her fund contributes scholarship money for music majors and is designed to encourage music majors who share Ellena's love for music. The selection committee will look for students who have a genuine passion for music, and who use their musical gifts and talents to enrich and inspire the lives of others – while planning a career in music.

- Be a current student attending California State University, Sacramento
- Have a college cumulative grade point average of 2.8 or higher (3.0 in music classes)
- Be majoring in music
- Demonstrate financial need

Frequently Asked Questions

WHAT CAN SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS BE USED FOR?

Each scholarship fund designates what awards may and may not be used for. Most scholarships may only be used for direct educational expenses such as tuition fees, books and supplies and in some cases, room and board. Please refer to each scholarship's guidelines and eligibility sheet for information about how the funds may be used.

WHERE CAN I GO TO SCHOOL WITH THESE SCHOLARSHIPS?

Most of the scholarships are for students attending two or four year colleges and universities. However, some scholarships may be used for vocational and technical schools or adult education programs. Please refer to the application guidelines page for more details.

IF I AM AWARDED A SCHOLARSHIP, HOW MUCH WILL I RECEIVE?

Your award will depend on the amount of funds available, the number of qualified applicants and the guidance given by fund advisors. Our scholarship funds offer varying award amounts, which range from \$250 to several thousand dollars. Award amounts vary from year to year and are determined by the size of the fund and how many qualified applicants we receive. Please refer to the application guidelines page for information about award amounts.

IF I AM SELECTED, WHEN WILL I RECEIVE MY AWARD?

You will receive an instruction sheet with your award letter which explains what you will need to do to receive your scholarship payment. Most scholarship recipients need to submit proof of full time enrollment in order to receive scholarship funds. Unless otherwise stated, your scholarship will be mailed to the college or university you are attending. Scholarship payments are made contingent upon the submission of all required and requested documentation and the compliance with all eligibility requirements. Failure to submit any requested documentation will result in the postponement and/or termination of the scholarship award.

ARE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS TAXABLE?

For most students, a scholarship used for tuition, fees, books, supplies and essential equipment is usually not taxable. Scholarship funds that are used for room and board may be taxable. Please consult a tax professional if you have questions about your scholarship award.

WHAT IF I CAN'T FIND A SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION ON THE WEBSITE?

Some of the Foundation's scholarships are only available to students attending a specific school or to individuals affiliated with a business, organization or professional association. In this case, the applications are distributed through the institution and are not available to the general public.

ABOUT SACRAMENTO REGION COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

The Sacramento Region Community Foundation is an advocate for quality of life, dedicated to connecting people who care with charitable causes. An effective steward of the region's charitable assets since 1983, the Foundation's mission is to serve as a leader and trusted partner in expanding philanthropic activity and enhancing its impact for the betterment of our communities. From charitable funds established by individuals, families, businesses and organizations, the Sacramento Region Community Foundation awards grants and scholarships and engages leadership activities to address a wide variety of current and long term community issues.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Tina Bryce at 916-921-7723
or email at scholarships@sacregcf.org.



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Common Scholarship Application Academic Year 2009-2010

DIRECTIONS: Go to the Sacramento Region Community Foundations' web site at sacregcf.org to reference the eligibility and guidelines for specific instructions for each scholarship. Read and print out the eligibility and guidelines criteria for the scholarship which you are applying for before you complete the application. Attach the eligibility and guidelines to the application. If you are applying for more than one scholarship, copy the application and attach it together with the required documents for each scholarship.

We recommend you send your application and all of the supporting documents to us in one envelope. Collate each application and pertaining documents separately.

This Common Scholarship Application is for the following scholarship(s) only. I have read the scholarship eligibility guidelines and I am ELIGIBLE to apply for the following scholarship(s):

- The College Promise Fund
- The Diane Dawson Foundation
- Nadine Dimick Scholarship
- Max and Nadine Dimick Scholarship
- Benny Goodman Foundation Scholarship
- CeCe Hayes Memorial Scholarship
- The Kristy Karacozoff Memorial Scholarship
- The Mark McCollum "Ride On" Scholarship
- Raymond Nelson Scholarship
- Outstanding Youth Scholarship
- Paulsen Family Scholarship
- Brian Potts Scholarship
- Del Paso Foundation: Bud Roberts Memorial Scholarship
- Ellen Arata Sewell Scholarship

If you intend to apply for the following scholarships, DO NOT use this application. Use the applications referred to in the respective scholarships' eligibility and guidelines at sacregcf.org.

The American Marketing Association Sacramento Valley Educational Managed Fund
Bustos Lopez Scholarship Fund
AVID/College Horizons Scholarship
Cal-SOAP Scholarship
Philip M. Dowd Scholarship Fund
The Graydon & Myrth Fox Scholarship Fund
Mayor Joe Serna Jr. Memorial Scholarship of the Sacramento Hispanic Chamber of Commerce
Kennedy High School PACE Scholarship
Pacific Coast Building Products & Thad Bond Memorial Scholarships



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I.) PERSONAL INFORMATION

First Name _____ Middle Initial _____ Last Name _____

Home Address _____ City/State/ Zip Code _____

Mailing Address _____ City/State/ Zip Code _____

Home phone (____) _____ Cell phone (____) _____ E-mail _____
(including area code) (including area code)

Gender _____ Date of birth _____ Social security number* _____

Ethnicity White African American Hispanic Asian American Native American Other
(optional unless applying for an ethnic-specific scholarship)

Are you a Foster Youth? Yes No

**This information is collected for internal purposes only. Your social security number will not be released. It is only used to verify eligibility for the scholarship program and to ensure that any award you may receive is directed to the correct student's account at the chosen educational institution.*

II.) ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Name of school currently attending _____

This is a High School (list district) _____ Continuation High School
 2-year College 4-year college Trade/ Vocational School Graduate School

Unweighted GPA _____ Weighted GPA _____ SAT Scores or ACT Composite _____
(high school only) (high school only)

First choice school attending in Fall, 2009 _____ Yes No
Have you been accepted?

What type of Institution(s) are the schools you have listed?
1st Choice School 2-year College 4-year University Trade/Vocational School Graduate School

Second choice school attending in Fall, 2009 _____ Yes No
Have you been accepted?

What type of Institution(s) are the schools you have listed?
2nd Choice School 2-year College 4-year University Trade/Vocational School Graduate School

Fall, 2009 status Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior adult re-entry graduate applicant

What is your intended major or course of study? *(Before completing this section, be sure that you meet the eligibility criteria for the scholarship you are applying for, since some scholarships are only for certain majors or areas of concentration.)* _____

What is your intended career? _____

Please list the approximate annual cost to attend the college you have chosen (including tuition, books and room and board). Most colleges provide this information on their websites.

Name of College	Cost of Attendance
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____

III.) FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Do you plan to work while in college? Yes No Number of hours/week _____

If yes, please list the name of your employer _____

Do you reside in a single parent household? Yes No

Parent's approximate total income: \$15,000 - \$24,999 \$25,000 - \$44,999 \$85,000 +
 \$45,000 - \$64,999 \$65,000 - \$85,000

Mother/Guardian's Occupation: _____

Father/Guardian's Occupation: _____

Number of dependant siblings/relatives, including yourself, living at home: _____

How many of these family members will be attending college this academic year? _____

Approximate contribution parents/guardians will make towards college expenses? _____

If none, please explain why: _____

How do you anticipate meeting expenses not covered by scholarship(s)?

Scholarships/ Financial Aid for which you have applied for the Academic Year 2009-2010: Please list the name(s) and amount(s) of each scholarship, grant, or financial aid (including FAFSA, PELL Grant, and Cal Grant) for which you have already applied or are planning to apply for the 2009-2010 academic year excluding the scholarships offered by Sacramento Region Community Foundation.

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

Scholarship/ Financial Aid you have already received for the Academic Year 2009-2010: Please list names(s) and amount(s) of each scholarship, grant or financial aid you have already received for the 2009-2010 year:

_____ \$ _____

_____ \$ _____

Have you previously been awarded a scholarship which is administered by the Sacramento Region Community Foundation? Yes No If yes, please list the name(s) and year of last award:

IV.) ACTIVITIES & ACHIEVEMENTS

Please submit this information on a separate, typed, sheet of paper if more space is required.

1.) List any school activities in which you have participated in during the past four years:

Date from/to	Average # hours per month	Activities/ Organization	Position held (e.g. member, officer, etc.)

2.) List any volunteer and/or community activities (unpaid) in which you have participated in during the past four years:

Date from/to	Average # hours per month	Organization served	Activities performed

3.) List any special awards or honors in which you have received during the past four years:

Date from/to	Awards & honors received

V.) ESSAY

Reference the eligibility and guidelines for specific instructions for each scholarship on the Foundations’ web site at sacregcf.org.

VI.) LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Reference the eligibility and guidelines for specific instructions for each scholarship on the Foundations’ web site at sacregcf.org.

Confirmation of Applicant Information and Acceptance of Terms

If selected as a scholarship recipient, I understand I will be required to submit verification of enrollment and my grade point average prior to receiving payment. I understand I will not receive payment until this information has been received and reviewed. I certify that all information submitted is true and complete for consideration as a recipient of a Sacramento Region Community Foundation Scholarship.

Signature

Date

Photo & Information Release

I give _____ and the Sacramento Region Community
Name of Scholarship
 Foundation permission to use, publish, and republish reproductions of my likeness (photographic or otherwise) with or without identification of me by name, for purposes of communicating the work and purpose of the program (e.g. annual report, brochures, electronic presentations, newsletters etc.)

Applicant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature (if Applicant is a minor)

Date

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Did you remember to ...?

- Indicate which scholarship(s) for which you are applying?
- Complete and sign the enclosed application form?
- Include 2 letters of reference?
- Include an OFFICIAL copy of the required transcripts?
- Include a SIGNED and DATED personal statement or essay?
- Include financial statements (FAFSA) if required?
- Include proof of citizenship or legal residency if required?
- Did you include any additional materials that are required for a specific scholarship?
- Did both you and/or your parent(s) sign the required certifications and release sections?
- Did you have someone else review your application for accuracy and to make sure all materials are included?
- Remove staples from the application?