

Scholarship Application

Do you have questions?

Please email Tracy Morris at [theblueheartfoundation.org](mailto:tracy@theblueheartfoundation.org)

Application due date: Friday, April 29, 2016

“The Blue Heart Foundation Scholarship (The HEART Award)” Scholarship 2016

1. DEADLINE for scholarship applications is Friday, April 29, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. **(NO EXCEPTIONS)**
2. Refer to application process below for a list of the supporting documents needed (i.e., reference forms, evidence of GPA, etc.) Incomplete applications will not be considered.
3. If any question does not apply to you in this application please put N/A in the space.
4. Type or print legibly, illegible applications will be returned to you.
5. You will be notified by phone or mail in May regarding the status of your application.
6. If you have any questions about the application, please contact Tracy Morris at [theblueheartfoundation.org](mailto:tracy@theblueheartfoundation.org).

PURPOSE The Blue Heart Foundation Scholarship was created provide financial assistance to a participants of HEART Mentoring program and has been accepted for undergraduate studies at four year college or university.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE is based on financial need, academic performance, leadership potential, and participation in The Blue Heart Foundation programs including but not limited to volunteer hours. Scholarships are awarded annually provided funds are available.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

The Blue Heart Foundation awards scholarships on the basis of a comprehensive process. Areas that are reviewed by the committee include, but are not limited to the following: Academic Accomplishments, Community Service, References, Personal Essay and Financial Need. The Blue Heart Foundation pays scholarship funds directly to the recipient. Scholarships are awarded each annually. The Blue Heart Foundation Scholarships are awarded without regard to race, color, ethnicity, gender or sexual orientation. Scholarships awarded are based upon the availability of funds and additional qualifying criteria.

CRITERIA

- Applicants must have permanent residence status in San Diego, California in the 92115 Zip Code and surrounding areas.
- Applicants must be completing or have completed high school successfully with a minimum weighted GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
- Applicants must be accepted as a full time student at a four year college or university for the upcoming academic semester. If scholarship money is awarded, this is the only program that will receive the funds on behalf of the applicant.
- Applicants must demonstrate a need for financial assistance.
- Preference may be given to applicants who have participated in The Blue Heart Foundation programs.
- Applicants must be a citizen or legal permanent resident of the United States.
- Student must apply for the 2015-2016 Federal Student Aid Application (FAFSA).
- Student must submit a copy of their 2015-2016 Student Aid Report (SAR)
- Applicants must complete and submit a Scholarship Application by Friday, **April 29, 2016**.
- Scholarship recipients will receive their check for the next semester **only** after they have registered and attended their first week of class (exceptions may apply determined on need).

TIMELINE

- Applications are due **April 29, 2016**.
- Candidates that are eligible for interviews will be notified by the Scholarship Committee by May 2016.
- Applicants are notified if awarded a scholarship by June 2016.

Application Process

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS MUST PROVIDE:

- Completed application form.
- Completed 50 Hours of volunteer service with The Blue Heart Foundation in their senior year
- Attend 90% of HEART Workshops during their senior year. (Some exceptions may be made)
- Official high school transcript.
- Two academic references from a guidance counselor or teacher.
- A letter completed reference from an employer or other community member.
- Proof of acceptance at an academic institution for post-secondary studies.
- Demonstrated financial need.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

- Award notification will be given by mid-June 2016.
- Applicant must provide their **student ID and correct mailing address where their scholarship check is to be received**.

CRITERIA FOR SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

- All recipients must be Pell Grant eligible
- If applicant is awarded a scholarship, twenty-four volunteer hours per academic year must be worked in The Blue Heart Foundation programs. Volunteer hours are counted beginning June 1st in the spring and ending April 1st the following year.
- All scholarship recipients will coordinate a plan for how they will meet their service requirement with The Blue Heart Foundation after accepting the scholarship and before beginning their college studies.

Deadline for the application is Friday, **April 29, 2016**. Applications postmarked after this date will not be considered.

Please mail OR submit application online to:

**“The Blue Heart Foundation”
Scholarship Program**

**The Blue Heart Foundation
Att: Tracy Morris
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