

REFERENCE GUIDE TO



SCHOLARSHIPS GRANTS & FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

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Popular Foster Youth Grants & Scholarships

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

[Login - FAFSA on the Web - Federal Student Aid](#)

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid. The application for federal student financial aid, processed at no cost to the applicant. It is used to determine a student's eligibility for federal grant, loan and work funds.

Arizona Department of Child Safety – Education Training Voucher (ETV)

[Arizona \(fc2sprograms.org\)](#)

Arizona has two educational support programs for foster youth. The Arizona Education and Training Voucher (ETV) Program is a federally-funded, state-administered program which can provide youth funding who are or were in U.S. foster care. Youth who were in foster care, adopted or going into permanent guardianship on or after their 16th birthday qualify for ETV. The Arizona Tuition Waiver is available to foster youth and former foster youth attending Arizona public community colleges, four-year colleges and universities. You must attend an accredited college, university, technical or vocational school.

Arizona Friends of Foster Children Foundation

[Scholarship Guidelines | Arizona Friends of Foster Children Foundation \(affcf.org\)](#)

Scholarship Guideline: The foundation offers scholarships to current or former foster youth who have experienced foster care up until their 18th birthday. Scholarships are available for a total commitment of 10 semesters. **DUE DATE: PRIOR TO START OF EACH SEMESTER**

The [AFFCF Penson Fund](#) is designed to help young men and women who have aged out of foster care overcome emergency expenses that derail their postsecondary education. These funds are not intended to be used for long-term, ongoing expenses. To receive assistance, youth must be: 1) in foster care or aged out of foster care in Arizona 2) ages 18 years and up until youth's 21st birthday and 3) enrolled at a university/college, community college, or a vocational school/program.

Arizona Community Foundation Scholarships

[Arizona Community Foundation](#)

The Arizona Community Foundation (ACF) is the largest private provider of scholarships in Arizona. With one application, students gain access to over 100 scholarship opportunities online. **Several are specific to students who have spent time in foster care.** Some awards are given based on merit or financial need, while others are awarded to students in a particular geographic region or with specific demographic characteristics. Applicants are automatically matched with every scholarship opportunity for which they qualify. High school seniors, current post-secondary students and graduate-level students attending schools across the nation are eligible.

Applications open on January 1st and some close as early as March

Arizona Scholarship Aid

Dorrance Scholarship Programs

[Dorrance Scholarship Programs](#)

The Dorrance Scholarship is for first-generation students and is a need-based award. Providing financial and academic support for Arizona high school graduates pursuing an undergraduate degree at one of Arizona's public universities. The award is renewable for eight (8) semesters (four years) of funding. Scholarships renew based on academic standing, participation in program events and activities, and community service projects.

Eligibility Requirements: (Must meet ALL of the following requirements):

- Current seniors who will graduate from an accredited Arizona high school and enter the university as a college freshman
- First generation to attend college (neither parent/step-parent or legal guardian holds a four-year degree)
- Minimum cumulative 3.00 GPA (weighted or unweighted)
- Minimum combined SAT score of 1110 or composite ACT score of 22 (excluding writing score for both)
- Admitted to one of Arizona's three (3) public universities
- Demonstrated financial need as determined by the FAFSA
- Agree to participate in all aspects of the scholarship program
- Reside on campus freshman and sophomore year and successfully complete the Summer Bridge Program

The scholarship award is up to \$12,000 per year. For full Dorrance Scholarship Application details, go to their website. **DUE DATE: February 7th (Phase I)**

Arizona Department of Education Scholarships

[Student Awards & Scholarship Programs | Arizona Department of Education \(azed.gov\)](#)

The Arizona Board of Regents's High Honors Tuition Scholarship (aka – AIMS Scholarship) is a university academic merit scholarship administered by the Arizona Department of Education on behalf of the Arizona Board of Regents. Qualified students who graduate from high school will receive a full in-state university base tuition scholarship that is valid beginning the first fall semester following graduation from an Arizona high school.

College Success Arizona Scholarship

[College Success Arizona | Increasing college completion rates in Arizona](#)

Provides college scholarships, comprehensive on-campus support services and career mentoring to low-income/high potential Arizona students. Scholarships are limited to students participating in their member organizations. To read more about College Success Arizona, their Scholarship and see what organizations are members, visit the College Success Arizona website.

Community Foundation for Southern Arizona

[Community Foundation of Southern AZ](#)

The Community Foundation for Southern Arizona offers a wide variety of scholarship opportunities for students. The scholarship program meets the needs of many good, but maybe not outstanding students with heavy financial need. The scholarships amounts range from \$375 for a part-time 2-year program to \$2,000 for a full-time 4-year program. Available scholarships and applications open in January of each year.

Desert Financial Community Service Scholarship

[College Scholarships | Desert Financial Credit Union](#)

The Desert Financial Community Scholarship program recognizes and rewards exceptional students who have contributed 50 or more hours of service in their community. Scholarships range from \$2,500 to \$10,000 and are available to students planning to attend an Arizona college or university. In addition to the scholarships, in 2019 Desert Financial is also introducing a paid student internship program to help students gain valuable work experience. Applications for the Community Service Scholarship and the student internship program must be completed through the online application form. More specific application requirements can also be found on the Desert Financial website. **DUE DATE: MARCH 1ST**

Horatio Alger Arizona Scholarship

[Scholarships – Horatio Alger Association Students](#)

The Horatio Alger Arizona Scholarship Program provides financial assistance to students in the State of Arizona who have exhibited integrity and perseverance in overcoming personal adversity and who aspire to pursue education. Applicants must be enrolled full time as a high school senior in Arizona, progressing normally toward graduation, and planning to enter college no later than the fall following graduation. Have a minimum GPA of 2.0. \$5,000 scholarships are awarded to those receiving the Scholarship. The regular application process closes on October 30th. Check the Horatio Alger website for full eligibility requirements.

Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation Scholarships

[Our Opportunities - Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation Scholarships and Additional Support \(academicworks.com\)](#)

The Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation is a nonprofit organization designated by the Maricopa County Community College District to receive and manage gifts on behalf of its 10 colleges. The STARS online scholarship system will match scholarships available through the Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation with the student's unique profile. There are three primary ways to fund an education at a Maricopa Community College:

1. **Maricopa Community College Foundation Scholarships:** Available to all Maricopa Community College students and, in most cases, may be used at any Maricopa Community College and some non-Maricopa colleges and universities.
2. **College-Specific Scholarships:** Available through each of the Maricopa Community Colleges. They are generally restricted to one campus
3. **External Scholarships:** Are offered through various local and national organizations.

For additional information, visit the Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation website.

Passageway Scholarship Foundation

[Passageway Scholarship Foundation – Offering Rite of Passage youth who have the desire to succeed the means to do so \(passagewaysfoundation.org\)](#)

Passageway Scholarships are provided to select students graduating from the Rite of Passage programs (Canyon State Academy). Scholarships of \$500 to \$1,000 are provided for tuition support and book grants to assist successful goal-oriented students at four-year universities, community colleges, and vocational/trade schools. Additional eligibility requirements can be found on the website.

Arizona College Specific Scholarships

All Arizona four year Colleges, Universities, and Community Colleges have many scholarships available to students attending their school.

Students can contact the financial aid office or search the college website to obtain a list of scholarships offered on their campus of choice.

There are far too many scholarships to list all of them here, but here is a sample of what is available.

Arizona Western College Scholarships

[Scholarships and Grants | Arizona Western College \(azwestern.edu\)](#)

Arizona Western College offers a variety of scholarships. AWC offers scholarships that are open to all students. AWC also offers program specific, local, ethnic, and gender specific scholarships. Arizona Western College also offers Foundation Scholarships and Institutional Scholarships. To view a list of all available scholarships, eligibility requirements, due dates and other scholarship information, go through financial aid in the Arizona Western College Website.

Armstrong Family Foundation Scholarship (ASU)

[Armstrong Scholarship](#)

The Armstrong Family Foundation Scholarship is offered through the Arizona State University Foundation. The Scholarship awards up to \$8,000 a year. Students must be an orphan, a ward of the court, in foster care or a qualified independent student. Students must be a full-time incoming freshman, freshman or sophomore, attending one of the ASU campuses. (Tempe, Downtown Phoenix, Polytechnic, West). Students must also be an Arizona resident and a US citizen or lawful legal resident of the US with a 3.0 GPA.

Blavin Scholars Program

[Blavin Scholars Program | Blavin Scholars Program \(nau.edu\)](#)

Northern Arizona University's Blavin Scholars Program assists Northern Arizona University undergraduate students who have been a part of the foster care system. Students who are Arizona residents seeking an undergraduate degree and who have demonstrated financial need and experience in the foster care system are eligible for this scholarship. Full time enrollment is required. See website for more information.

Champions Scholarship

www.yc.edu

The Champions Scholarship is one of many scholarships offered under the Yavapai College Foundation Scholarships. Students eligible for the Champions Scholarship must be a current or recent ward of the Yavapai County Juvenile Court. The Scholarship is available at both the Verde and Prescott Campuses. Scholarships cover costs for tuition, books and fees for full or part-time students enrolled in a degree or certificate program. Deadlines are: July 1st for the Fall semester, December 1st for the Spring semester, and May 1st for the Summer semester. Visit the My YC login website and click on the financial aid tab for the application (specific application required) along with additional scholarship requirements. This PDF has a list of all the Yavapai College Foundation Scholarships [College Foundation Scholarships PDF](#)

Cochise College Foundation Scholarships

[Cochise Scholarships](#)

Students need to enroll in the STARS application system between January and April to be matched with the Cochise College Foundation Scholarships. Scholarship Qualification criteria include financial need, academic performance, program of study, or some combination of qualifications as specified by donors. Visit the Cochise College website to find out how to get started and what other scholarships may be available.

Coconino Community College Foundation Scholarships

[Coconino Community College - Foundation Scholarships](#)

Students interested in scholarships awarded through CCC must be admitted to CCC and complete the online scholarship application between the months of January and March. To view the numerous CCC Foundation Scholarships and the individual scholarship criteria visit the CCC website. The website also has a list of numerous External Scholarships and tribal information for Native American students interested in applying to tribal scholarships.

Eastern Arizona College Scholarships

[Scholarships \(eac.edu\)](#)

Students interested in finding a listing of Eastern Arizona College scholarships need to check the Eastern Arizona College Catalog. The priority deadline for submission of scholarship applications is March 1st. There are many private scholarships available also. Visit the Eastern Arizona College website for additional information.

Helping Hands Scholarship

[Helping Hands for Single Moms Scholarship Program \(thecollegemonk.com\)](#)

The helping hands scholarship assists single moms in obtaining a college education and financial independence. For new clients, the applications are only for candidates who live in or attend school in Central Phoenix. Schools included are: 1) ASU Downtown campus, 2) Grand Canyon University, 3) Phoenix College, and 4) South Mountain Community College. Applicants also must take a minimum of 9 college credit hours per semester, maintain a 2.5 GPA, have a least one child under the age of 11 living at home, not be living with a domestic partner, and be a US Citizen residing in Maricopa County, Arizona. Visit the help single mom's website for the applications and additional information.

John Likins Memorial Scholarship

[John Likins Memorial Scholarship | the Arizona Center for Judaic Studies](#)

The John Likins Memorial Scholarship supports an incoming freshman from a Tucson area high school, majoring in any fields related to gender, race, religion, ethnicity, or area studies at The University of Arizona. Visit The University of Arizona website to find the complete scholarship requirements and additional scholarship opportunities.

LIFE Lessons Scholarship

[Life Lessons Scholarship Program – Life Happens](#)

The Life and Health Insurance Foundation for Education (LIFE) announces the LIFE lessons Scholarship Program to benefit students who have suffered the death of a parent or guardian. LIFE awards the LIFE Lessons Scholarships once a year. Typically, applications are accepted during the February 1 to March 1st timeframe and scholarship recipients are notified in mid-July. Awards range from \$1,000 to a grand prize award of \$10,000. Visit the Arizona State University and University of Arizona websites for additional information.

Nina Pulliam Legacy Scholars Program

<https://mcccd.academicworks.com/opportunities/11954> (Maricopa Community Colleges).

<https://scholarships.asu.edu/scholarship/571> (Arizona State University)

The Nina Mason Pulliam Scholars program provides each student with an academic advisor/mentor, as well as a student mentor; covers full tuition, fees and books; and includes a \$2,500 annual living allowance. **DUE DATE: MARCH 1st**

Pima Community College Merit Scholarship

[Types of Scholarships | Pima Community College, Tucson, Arizona](#)

The Pima Merit Scholarship is awarded to a Pima County resident that have recently graduated from a Pima County high school, or have completed their GED. Eligible applicants must have graduated with an unweighted GPA of 3.5 or higher, or completed their GED with an average test score of 165 or higher. Must be eligible for general (in-state) tuition, and have not already received another tuition waiver or similar form of aid. Students must be enrolled at Pima for the fall semester immediately following high school graduation. For additional information on the Merit Scholarship and other Pima Community College Scholarships go to their website.

President Barack Obama Scholars (ASU)

[President Barack Obama Scholars Program | ASU Students | ASU](#)

ASU will consider all full-time freshman admitted directly from an Arizona high school. Eligible students will be notified by the Student Financial Assistance Office. Students just need to apply to ASU, file their FAFSA, and the student will automatically be considered for this award. ASU will cover the estimated direct costs for eight consecutive semesters. Covered costs include tuition, fees, room, board and books. Scholars also have the opportunity to participate in a mentoring program. **Application for admission and the FAFSA must be received by ASU on or before March 1st.**

Promise for the Future Scholarship

[Central Arizona College - Promise for the Future Program - Central Arizona College \(centralaz.edu\)](#)

Promise for the Future is a program designed to encourage students from Pinal County to stay in high school and graduate with a 2.75 grade point average. Students along with their parents sign a contract of commitment during the students' eighth grade year. Students graduating with the required minimum GPA from a Pinal County High School receive a Promise for the Future Scholarship, which entitles them to free tuition to any Central Arizona College campus for up to four semesters. Visit the college website for a list of 34 additional scholarships.

Raytheon Scholars Program

[Raytheon Scholars Program \(scholarsapply.org\)](#)

In an effort to recruit and retain a diverse workforce, Raytheon Missile Systems has collaborated with Pima Community College to identify talented local scholars who are interested in continuing to study and work in the Tucson community. Up to ten (10) high school graduates or first-time Pima students who are interested in careers in engineering, math and science are identified and selected for participation each year. For eligibility requirement for The Raytheon Scholars Program and other Scholarships available through Pima Community College visit their website.

(UofA) Wildcat Excellence Award

[2021-2022 Incoming First-Year and Transfer Tuition Scholarship Awards | Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid \(arizona.edu\)](#)

The Wildcat Excellence Award is a highly competitive tuition scholarship offered annually to a select number of Arizona resident high school graduates attending college for the first time. Award amounts of \$2,500 to \$9,000 are available for four consecutive year (8 semester's total) for fall and spring semesters only, based on academic year renewal requirements. For additional selection and eligibility, requirements visit the University of Arizona website.

University of Phoenix First Chance Scholarship Program

[UOPX | Scholarship Opportunities \(phoenix.edu\)](https://uopx.edu/scholarship-opportunities)

Through a partnership with University of Phoenix and the National Foster Parent Association, NFPA provides 15 full tuition scholarships redeemable at University of Phoenix for youth in foster care and former foster youth. Applicants may reside in a foster home, group home, or kinship care or be an emancipated foster youth under age 25. Recipients may choose any campus they want to attend, including online. The program is administered under the First Chance Scholarship umbrella.

Yavapai College Scholarships

[Yavapai College: Yavapai College Scholarships \(yc.edu\)](https://yavapai.edu/yavapai-college-scholarships)

Yavapai College offers a variety of scholarships, including the Yavapai Champions Scholarship, Yavapai College Institutional Scholarships, Foundation Scholarships and recommended scholarships. Application for the majority of the scholarships requires the completion of a single form. The application form can be found through the Yavapai College website along with a list of all the scholarships and their minimum qualifications. The priority deadline for most scholarships is April 1st unless otherwise stated.

National Scholarship Websites **For Foster Youth**

Darko Rapotez Memorial College Scholarship

[Darko Rapotez Memorial Scholarship | Fostering Success Michigan](https://www.darkorapotez.org/)

Youths from anywhere in the U.S., who age out of the foster care system and who ordinarily would not be able to afford a college education are eligible to submit applications. Youths must be emancipated or will be graduating from foster care, relative care and/or dependency. Scholarships are available to undergraduate students who have aged out of the foster care system with a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Each scholarship recipient will receive \$5,000 to \$10,000 and is encouraged to reapply each year.

Foster Care to Success / Casey Family Scholars Program

[Foster Care to Success | Casey Family Scholars \(fc2success.org\)](https://www.fc2success.org/)

The Casey Family Scholars Program is administered by FC2S. Awards range from \$1,500 to \$6,000 per academic year, and are renewable for up to five (5) years if a student remains eligible. Applicants must have been in foster care for the 12 consecutive months prior to their 18th birthday OR adopted or placed into legal guardianship from foster care after their 16th birthday. Be under the age of 25 on March 31 of the year in which they first apply and have been accepted into or expect to be accepted into an accredited, Pell-eligible college or other post-secondary school. See the Foster Care to Success website for additional information. **DUE DATE: MARCH 31ST**

Hopes for Higher Ed

[SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION | Hope & A Future \(azhope.com\)](https://www.azhope.com/)

The hopes for Higher Education Scholarship is awarded to youth in foster care for the purposes of obtaining professional certification or to attend a post-secondary institution (undergraduate only). Scholarships range in amount from \$500 to \$1,000, and the number awarded each year varies depending on funding. Scholarship funds may be used for tuition, fees, and school room and board. **DUE DATE: MAY 15th**

Lambda Theta Alpha Foundation Scholarship

[About Us | LTA Foundation](#)

The Lambda Alpha Foundation's mission is tied to their commitment to advance the community. The efforts are to promote enrichment of their communities by providing funding for educational programming, scholarship and humanitarian relief. The Foundation provides annual scholarships to high school, undergraduate, and graduate students. The goal is to award \$1,000 scholarships to seventeen (17) students who demonstrated commitment to advancing their community. Scholarship application are available online. **DUE DATE: MAY 15TH**

Nsoro Foundation

[The nsoro Foundation - Programs & Scholarships for Foster Youth](#)

The Nsoro Educational Foundation's mission is to provide academic scholarships and vital support necessary to ensure success of students. Eligible students are graduating high school seniors as well as current undergraduate or trade school students. The Scholarship awards range between \$4,000 and \$8,000 per student per degree program on average depending on student financial need. The Scholarship covers tuition & academic fees, books, student meal plans or on-campus housing. For additional information go to the website. **DUE DATE: APRIL 16TH**.

Schoolhouse Connection Youth Scholarship Program

[Scholarship Program | SchoolHouse Connection](#)

Provides scholarships to youth who have experienced homelessness to ensure their completion of a post-secondary education program. Assists youth with financial aid processes, mental health advocacy and referrals. The scholarship is a \$2,000 award. The application is for high school seniors; for those who are in GED Programs; or for those who have taken a gap year. Applicants who have experience homelessness within the last six (6) years are eligible to apply. Undocumented students who meet these criteria are eligible. For any additional information, you can go to their website. **DUE DATE: NOVEMBER**

Minority Scholarship Sites

AAA Arizona Si Se Puede! Scholarship

[Arizona Parents - AAA Scholarship Foundation \(aaascholarships.org\)](http://aaascholarships.org)

AAA Arizona's "Si Se Puede" scholarship, Spanish for "it can be done" is open to entering freshman students living in Arizona and attending an accredited college or university in Arizona. Each scholar will receive a \$1,000 one-time scholarship and a four-year AAA membership. A student must have earned and maintain a GPA of no less than 3.0 on a 4.0 scale and have a clean driving record. For complete eligibility, requirements visit the website.

Bridging the Dream Scholarship Program

[Bridging the Dream Scholarship](#)

The Thurgood Marshall College Fund (TMCF) and The Sallie Mae Fund are proud to offer financial assistance to outstanding students an accredited post-secondary institution. Students completing a two-year, four-year, or trade/vocational certificate/certification program if selected can receive a scholarship up to \$10,000.00 for the 2021-2022 academic school year.

Eligibility requirements:

- Be currently enrolled as a high school senior for 2020-2021 academic year.
- Plan to be a full-time student during the 2021-2022 academic year
- Enrolled at an accredited post-secondary institution or continuous education program
 - (Two-year Schools, Four-year Schools, Vocational/Technical certificate/certification program).
- Not a resident of Utah or attending an accredited postsecondary domestic institution in Utah
- Be Pell-Grant eligible
- Be a U.S. Citizen or legal permanent resident with a valid permanent resident card
- Be a diverse candidate. Diverse shall include, but not limited to: Gender, Disability, Race
- Ethnicity, belonging to an underserved community, Able to demonstrate leadership abilities.
- Demonstrate good moral character in all aspects of your life, including personal, professional, educational in your community, and online presence.

American Indian College Fund – Full Circle Scholarship

[Student Scholarships | American Indian College Fund](#)

The American Indian College Fund provides scholarships American Indian & Alaska Native college students seeking undergraduate and graduate degrees at: - Tribal colleges and universities, and all non-profit & accredited schools.

For additional details on how to apply, eligibility requirements, list of additional scholarships, and contact information to a member of the Student Success Services Team, go to the American Indian College Fund website.

Anne Ford Scholarship

[Anne Ford Scholarship - NCLD](#)

The Anne Ford Scholarship offers a \$10,000 award to two graduating high school seniors with documented learning disabilities (LD) who are pursuing an undergraduate degree. Deadline for application is December 31. For complete details, see the Anne Ford Scholarship website.

Completing the Dream Gap Scholarship

[Completing the Dream Gap Scholarship](#) The Thurgood Marshall College Fund (TMCFF) and The Sallie Mae Fund are proud to offer financial assistance to outstanding students attending an accredited post-secondary institution or continuous education program. Students completing a two-year, four-year, or trade/vocational certificate/certification program will be selected to receive a gap scholarship up to \$2,500. Selected students must be in good academic standing, but at risk of not returning to or graduating/ completing due to an outstanding financial need, and/or emergency that leads to a financial aid crisis. Click the link above to review eligibility and application requirements.

Chicanos Por La Causa Scholarship

[Scholarships | CPLC](#)

The primary goal of the CPLC/MCCD Scholarship Program is to provide financial assistance and support to outstanding Arizona Chicano / Latino students to attend and graduate from one of the Maricopa Community Colleges.

Empowering Diversity Scholarship (Fiesta Bowl and Blue Cross Blue Shield)

[Empowering Diversity Scholarship - Fiesta Bowl](#) Blue Cross Blue Shield of Arizona and Fiesta Bowl was created to support Arizona minority residents attending in-state post-secondary institutions. Supporting their commitment to diversity and inclusion, the Fiesta Bowl Organization and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Arizona will select 16 recipients to receive \$5,000 totaling \$80,000 in awards.

The Dream Scholarship

[The Dream Scholarship](#)

The National Scholarship Award will cover your tuition and fees up to a maximum of \$16,500 for an associate degree and \$33,000 for a bachelor's degree, at one of our Partner Colleges. Please note, some Scholars may be eligible for an additional stipend of up to \$4,000 (or \$1,000 per year) for books, supplies, and transportation. The award is renewable each year – you simply have to meet eligibility criteria.

Human Rights Campaign

[Scholarship Database - HRC](#)

Explore the HRC Foundation website for scholarships for LGBT and allied students who demonstrate exceptional commitment to the fight for queer equality. Priority is given to applicants who; self-identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer or an ally; have applied to or are enrolled in an accredited institution of higher education; demonstrated a commitment or contribution to the LGBT community; are in good academic standing; and have demonstrated need for financial assistance.

Hispanic Heritage Foundation Youth Awards

[Youth Awards - Hispanic Heritage Foundation](#)

The Youth Awards Program honors Latino high school seniors nationwide, for their accomplishments in the classroom, their community, and excellence in various educational categories. Recipients will receive a Gold, Silver or Bronze award and will receive up to \$3500 in educational grants. More details and eligibility requirements can be found on the Hispanic Heritage website. **APPLICATION DUE DATE: OCTOBER 15TH**

Indian Health Services – IHS Scholarship Program

[Scholarships | IHS Scholarship Program](#)

The Indian Health Services (IHS) offers three (3) scholarships for American & Alaska Native students in order to educate and train health professionals to staff Indian health programs. IHS strives to develop the next generation of leaders, as well as help make the pursuit of a meaningful career in Indian health attainable for American Indian & Alaska Native students.

For additional details regarding: eligibility requirements, academic requirements, citizenship requirements, Tribal/Village Membership requirements, and Program Agreement/Contact, go to the Indian Health Services website.

LEAGUE Foundation LGBTQ Scholarship

[Scholarship Qualifications - LEAGUE Foundation LGBTQ Scholarship](#)

The program is open to self-identified Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender graduating high school seniors meeting prescribed criteria. The applicant must be an openly self-identified member of the LGBT Community, be graduating from high school in the year he / she applies for a scholarship, be a U.S. Citizen, or be a legal immigrant. Must be attending an accredited college, university, or vocational school within the U.S. or Canada. Proof of acceptance is required. A complete list of qualifications can be found on the website. The LEAGUE foundation has five awards for consideration and each student application is automatically reviewed for each. Additional information can be found on the website.

Mana Scholarship Program

[Maná Scholarship Program \(scholarsapply.org\)](#)

Mana, in partnership with Selva Negra and Univision Foundation has established a scholarship program to assist student who identify as Latino and who plan to continue their education in college or vocational school programs. In order to be eligible, a student must identify as Latino and be between the ages of 18-35 years old as of the application deadline date. Be U.S. citizens, legal residents of the U.S., or undocumented residents of the U.S., including Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) recipients. Be high school seniors or graduates, or current college undergraduates. Plan to enroll in full-time undergraduate study at an accredited 2 or 4 year college, university, or vocational-technical school in the U.S. for the entire upcoming academic year. Selected recipients will receive a \$10,000 award and up to fifteen (15) awards are granted. Search the website for additional information.

National Hispanic Scholarship Fund

[HSF: Home](#)

The HSF Scholarship is designed to assist students of Hispanic heritage obtain a university degree. Scholarships are available on a competitive basis to: high school seniors, undergraduate students (all years). Community College students transferring to 4-year universities and graduate students.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Must be of Hispanic Heritage
- Minimum of 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent) for high school students
- Minimum of 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent) for college & graduate students
- Plan to enroll full-time in an accredited, not for profit, 4 year university, or graduate school, during the Fall of a scholarship cycle (year)
- U.S. Citizen, Permanent Legal Resident, DACA or Eligible Non-citizen (as defined by FAFSA)
- Complete FAFSA or state based financial aid application (if applicable)

PFLAG Phoenix Parents, Families, Friends, Lesbians, and Gays

[Chapter Scholarship Programs | PFLAG](#)

Outstanding graduating high school seniors and college students are encouraged to apply for multiple scholarships offered through PFLAG Phoenix. All scholarships are open to gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT+) individuals and to straight allies who have directly supported LGBT+ youth and/or the LGBT+ community. **DUE DATE: April 15th**

PFLAG Tucson/Alliance Fund Scholarship Program

[PFLAG Tucson / Alliance Fund 18th Annual Scholarship Program - PFLAG Tucson](#)

\$1,000 joint scholarships to LGBTQ+ persons or an active straight ally to attend an institution of high education. Applicants can be either a graduating high school student, undergraduate student, or graduate student and a resident of the Tucson Metropolitan area or Pima County, attending any college or university. **DUE DATE: March 31st**

The Jackie Robinson Foundation

[Jackie Robinson Foundation -](#)

The Jackie Robinson Foundation provides scholarships of up to \$7,500 annually to minority high school students showing leadership potential and demonstrating financial need to attend an accredited 4-year college or university. To view the application requirements and application components visit the Jackie Robinson website. **DUE DATE: March 15.**

The Sallie Mae Fund

[Sallie Mae Search Scholarships](#)

The Fund offers the following free scholarship searches and other scholarship tips and information.

- **General Scholarship Search**
Free scholarship database to scholarships for high school, college, graduate, and adult students.
- **Black College Dollars**
Free scholarship search, geared for African-American students. Contains more than 300 scholarship searchable by GPA requirement, academic and career interest, and application deadline.
- **Latino College Dollars**
Free scholarship search, geared for Hispanic students, contains clear information on more than 300 scholarships targeting Latino high school, undergraduate, and graduate students across the United States.

Tucson LGBTQ Chamber of Commerce Foundation Scholarship

[Tucson LGBTQ CCF Scholarship](#) Tucson LGBTQ Chamber of Commerce believe that one way to elevate community is through higher education. They recognize that there are many deserving college students in the LGBT+ community who may need assistance, mentoring, and support in their college careers, and who, due to their identification as LGBT+ may be at risk for loss of educational funding and support. To support those students, we provide a \$2500 scholarship, distributed half in fall and half in spring semester. Please see below for the application details and visit website to complete the application.

All applicants must meet the following criteria to be considered for this scholarship opportunity:

- Self-identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans*, queer, and/or another sexual or gender identity minority
- Be seeking a degree in any area of study at The University of Arizona in the 2021-2022 school year
- Have a minimum 2.75 GPA
- Demonstrate an interest in entrepreneurship or business ownership
- Agree to attend a Tucson LGBTQ Chamber of Commerce breakfast meeting
- Consent to the use of your name and photo in conjunction with this award

Unmet Need Scholarship

[Scholarship Opportunities | the Sallie Mae Fund](#)

Scholarship America administers this scholarship program. It is open to U.S. citizens and permanent residents who are accepted or enrolled as full-time undergraduate students at approved, accredited institutions. Students must have a minimum 2.5 GPA (on a 4.0 scale) to be eligible to apply. Recipients will be selected based on financial need. Unmet Need Scholarships range from \$1,000 to \$3,000.

United Negro College Fund

[United Negro College Fund Home Page | UNCF](#)

Scholarship database for African-American students. Over 40 various scholarship programs listed.

Scholarships of Interest & Scholarships for Students with Disabilities

Arizona Don't Text and Drive Scholarship

[Don't Text and Drive Scholarship \(1800theeagle.com\)](http://1800theeagle.com)

Goldberg & Osborn Injury Lawyers & Consumer Advocates have created a \$1,000 Don't Text and Drive Scholarship to be awarded twice a year to an Arizona resident for college or trade school. This is an effort to save lives and simultaneously help to further educate students. The applicant must be an Arizona resident. FAQ's, application and directions to complete the application are on the website.

Arthur H. Goodman Memorial Scholarship

[Arthur H. Goodman Scholarships for College Expenses \(cdcloans.com\)](http://cdcloans.com)

This fund provides financial assistance to dynamic, community-minded women and minority students transitioning from a community college in California or Arizona to four-year universities. The Goodman Scholarship is targeted to those individuals that have demonstrated a commitment to community involvement and desire to pursue a career in the field of economic development.

Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship & Excellence in Education Program

[Barry Goldwater | Scholarship & Excellence in Education Foundation \(scholarsapply.org\)](http://scholarsapply.org)

The Barry Goldwater Scholarship was created to encourage outstanding students to pursue careers in math, science or engineering and to foster excellence in those fields. One and two year scholarships will cover the cost of tuition, fees, books, and room and board up to a maximum of \$7,500.

Coca-Cola Scholars Program

[The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation – Empowering Visionary Leaders \(coca-colascholarsfoundation.org\)](http://coca-colascholarsfoundation.org)

High school seniors can apply between August 1 – October 31, anticipating completion of high school diploma at the time of application. Planning to pursue a degree at an accredited U.S. post-secondary institution; carrying a minimum 3.0 GPA at the end of their junior year of high school. Semifinalist are notified in mid-November and must then complete a secondary application, including essays, official transcripts, and two letter of recommendation. National Scholars receive awards of \$20,000 for college. Regional Scholars receive awards of \$10,000 for college. Full eligibility requirements and program overview and be viewed on the website.

Dell Scholars, Michael and Susan Dell Foundation

[Dell Scholars - College Scholarship Program with Wraparound Support](http://dellscholars.org)

The Michael and Susan Dell Foundation created Dell Scholars to recognize and assist an underserved population – students in the economic middle from low-income households who are often among the first in their families to attend college. All Dell Scholars have overcome significant personal challenges in their pursuit of higher education. The financial award helps students with various education expenses. Dell Scholars is a college completion program that provides students with key supports needed to obtain a college degree.

Eligibility requirements:

- U.S. Citizenship
- Participating in a Dell Scholars approved college readiness program in grades 11 & 12 (list of CRP's found on website)
- Graduating from an accredited high school

- Eligible to receive a Federal Pell Grant in first year of college
- Planning to enroll full-time in a bachelor's degree program at an accredited high education institution in the Fall directly after graduating from high school.
- See the website for additional information regarding Dell Scholars. **Due Date: December 1st**

Earn to Learn

[Home • Earn to Learn](#)

Earn to learn is a needs-based scholarship program that teaches financial literacy and rewards students and families committed to saving money to attend ASU, NAU and U of A with \$4,000 of matching scholarship funding. Using special matched-savings accounts (called Individual Development Accounts, or IDA's), qualifying students who make deposits for at least 6 months and meet their \$500 savings goal before attend one of the three in-state universities will earn \$4,000 in matching funds to pay for tuition, books, and other approved expenses. The matching scholarship is renewable for up to four (4) years depending on ongoing funding as long as students remain eligible and continue to save \$500 each year. To learn more about this Program and start the application process go to the website.

KFC Colonel's Scholarships Program

[KFC Scholarship 2021 | Kentucky Fried Chicken Scholarship \(college-financial-aid-advice.com\)](#)

To be eligible to compete, an individual must graduate from high school, earn a minimum cumulative high school GPA of 2.75, plan to pursue a bachelor's degree at a public, in-state college or university, to be a U>S. citizen or permanent resident, and demonstrate financial need. The application process opens the first of December and closes the middle of February. In addition to the Program's staff, KFC Colonel's scholar is also matched with a volunteer mentor.

Mesothelioma Cancer Alliance Scholarship

[Mesothelioma.com Scholarship | Mesothelioma.com](#)

The purpose of this scholarship is to provide financial assistance to college students who have battled cancer at any point in their lives (not limited to mesothelioma) or those who have a parent, sibling, immediate family member or close friend that has battled or is currently fighting cancer. Student must be enrolled full-time at an accredited two-year or four-year University, community college or junior college, or a graduate degree program. Scholarship is offered nationwide to United States citizens and students must be in academic "Good Standing" and have a minimum Grade Point Average of 3.0 or higher to be eligible. Additional details noted on website. **DUE DATE: MARCH 31ST FOR FALL SEMESTER & DECEMBER 31ST FOR SPRING SEMESTER**

National Association of Buffalo Soldiers & Troopers Motorcycle Club

[Scholarship for teens in Phoenix, AZ | Buffalo Troopers MC \(buffalotroopersphoenix.com\)](#)

The NABSTMC recognizes that applying for college can be a hardship for many students. Unfortunately, many young men and women have difficulty pursuing their education because of financial burdens. For this reason, the NABSTMC will assist seniors in high school with their first year of college tuition. This program is open to any high school senior that meets the requirements, to include home school, as long as education status is determined and verified.

Eligibility Requirements:

- A minimum GPA of 2.0 un-weighted
- ACT/SAT scores
- Official high school transcript (or equivalent if home schooled)
- A 500 word essay on the topics described in the application packet
- At least one letter of recommendation on official letterhead from a teacher, guidance counselor or school administrator, and/or community service organization
- A letter of acceptance to an institution of higher learning
- Provide student
- S name, complete name and address of the school, and student ID number. Checks will be mailed to the school via the student's account
- A statement from the student and/or parent/guardian explaining financial need

- A valid address, email and/or phone number so the selection committee can follow-up with the parent or guardian if the student is a finalist
- Additional details identified in the website. **Due Date: May 31st**

The Shawn Carter Foundation Scholarship Fund

[Scholarship Fund | Shawn Carter Foundation \(shawncartersf.com\)](http://shawncartersf.com)

The Shawn Carter Scholarship Fund (SCSF) was founded on the belief that any motivated individual in need should have the opportunity to further his or her education. The grant can be used to cover tuition expenses and related supplemental educational expenses such as books, lab fees, travel, and select costs of living. All Shawn Carter Scholars are required to “give back” by conducting community service and by serving as mentors to younger, aspiring Shawn Carter Scholars. Eligibility requirements are high school seniors, students with GED diplomas, undergraduate (2 year or 4 year) college students, and student at vocational or trade schools.

Students need to be a U.S. citizen or Permanent Resident, 25 years old or younger, and a minimum 2.0 GPA. See additional information on the Shawn Carter website.

Tylenol Scholarship Program

[TYLENOL® Future Care Scholarship | TYLENOL®](http://tylenol.com)

For students choosing to pursue a career in taking care of others. The Tylenol Scholarship Program helps students getting a healthcare-related education. Students receive \$5,000 grants or \$10,000 scholarships. For additional scholarship details check out the Tylenol website. **DUE DATE: May 14th.**

Region Specific Scholarships

Betty Brown Scholarship

[Betty Brown Scholarship \(tucsonalumnae.org\)](http://tucsonalumnae.org)

The Tucson Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority sponsors the Betty Brown Scholarship. **High School senior young women of African-American or African heritage in Tucson or Sierra Vista are eligible.** These high school young women need to show financial need, have minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 and accepted to an accredited 4-year college or university upon graduation. Application guidelines and information for a complete application packet can be found on the website. Contact information can also be found on the website.

Pima Foundation for Youth

[Pima Foundation – Keep Thriving](#)

The Pima Foundation for Youth is committed to **providing support for unmet needs of the Department and Court-involved youth in Pima County.** The scholarship is awarded to eligible youth that have a current or previous involvement with DCS as a Court Ward or dependency case. The funds are utilized to pay for a four-year college enrollment or any educational activity or need to include tutoring for SAT/ACT exams. The candidate will write an essay to the board stating why they should be considered for the scholarship. Board members may have discretion to interview the candidate in person at their discretion. The Foundation issues check directly to the college, institution when applicable. Additional information can be obtained by contacting any of the Board members at DCs. Contact Sandra.Afarin@azdcs.gov

Pima Federal Education Award

[Scholarship PDF application](#)

The Pima Education Award awards five graduating seniors with a \$2,000 scholarship. These graduating seniors must be from Pima or Apache counties to qualify.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Be a graduating senior in May or June of current scholarship year.
- Be a current (at time of application) Pima Federal Credit Union member with an established account.
- Accepted to attend a 2- or 4-year college or university.
- Submit a completed application to Pima Federal Credit Union and have it post marked by March 31st.
- Not be a relative/student of an Employee or Board Member
- When you submit your application, make sure you include... The application form and two letters of recommendation from community leaders or current educators.

The Kyle Franks Foundation College Scholarship

[Scholarships | Non-Profit Organization | The Kyle Franks Foundation](#)

The Kyle Franks Foundation Scholarship Program has been established to annually award deserving local area students with scholarship assistance. The focus is to help “at risk” or potentially at risk kids. **Applicants are chosen based on several criteria including: Pima County resident,** attending or planning to attend an accredited college or university. And a Minimum GPA of 2.5 or minimum GED score of 500. Additional eligibility requirements and the application process can be found on the website.

The Valley Foundation Scholarship

[Valley Foundation \(valleyfoundationaz.org\)](http://valleyfoundationaz.org)

The mission of the Valley Foundation's scholarship program is to provide financial assistance in the form of college scholarships to current or returning students who have not earned the highest grade point averages and who are experiencing financial difficulties. **Preference is given to graduates of high school in Southern Arizona as well as students currently attending Pima Community College.** The average scholarship granted is \$3,000 - \$4,000 for, university, and \$1,500 - \$2,000 for a community college. Scholarship requirements include but not limited to full time students, must provide the Foundation with a copy of your class schedule at the beginning of each semester, must provide the Foundation with an official copy of your transcript at the end of each semester. For full eligibility and scholarship, requirements and application deadlines can be found on the website.

Youth on Their Own

[Home - Youth on Their Own \(yoto.org\)](http://yoto.org)

Youth on the Own program focuses on three components – financial assistance, basic human needs, and guidance- to ensure that homeless youth have the resources necessary to stay in school and graduate. Eligible youth must be a YOTO involved student (graduating Senior) and accepted to College, University, or Trade School in the Fall (can be out of State). Book scholarship is one time only. Covers books and other equipment and school fees up to \$1,000 per academic year (\$500 per semester).

Regional Centers Offering College Planning Information

PHOENIX

In Phoenix, the **College Depot** operates out of the Burton Barr Central Library. The center offers free workshops for students and families on college readiness, financial aid, scholarship, ACT and SAT test preparation and applying for college. The College Depot also provides one-on-one assistance to help you plan for college. Learn more at [College Depot \(phoenixpubliclibrary.org\)](http://CollegeDepot.phoenixpubliclibrary.org)

TUCSON

In Tucson, the bilingual staff at the **Regional College Access Center** 930 E. Broadway offers one-on-one assistance with college and career planning. Its website, [College Center | MEC \(metedu.org\)](http://CollegeCenter|MEC.metedu.org), features a college toolkit, and a free online database with local and national information about colleges, scholarships, career exploration, and financial aid and academic resources.

FLAGSTAFF

In Flagstaff, the **Northern Arizona College Resource Center** provides free information, technical assistance, advising and referrals to students and their parents or guardians regarding all aspects of the college admissions and financial aid process. Services also include a variety of workshops and other community events to promote awareness of and access to postsecondary education. To learn more, visit [Northern Arizona College Resource Center | Discover Your Path \(nau.edu\)](http://NorthernArizonaCollegeResourceCenter|DiscoverYourPath.nau.edu)

Tuition Waiver Program For Young Adults from Foster Care

The Arizona Universities and Community College District developed a five-year pilot program to provide a tuition waiver scholarship at any of the state universities (NAU, ASU, and U of A) and all the state community colleges for youth who experienced foster care in Arizona.

Who Qualifies?

- Must reside in Arizona
 - Is currently in foster care in Arizona and is at least fourteen (14) years of age OR was in foster care in Arizona at age fourteen (14) or older OR was adopted from foster care in Arizona at age fourteen (14) or older
- Is a United States Citizen or is a noncitizen who is lawfully present in the country
- Is under twenty-three (23) years of age when the first Tuition Waiver is awarded
- Is accepted into or enrolled in a degree, certificate or other accredited program at a state university or community college (must be making progress towards a degree or certificate to remain eligible)
- Has completed and submitted a FAFSA (check the "Ward/dependency of the state or courts" box)
- Remains in good standing with the university or community college

FOR CURRENT OR FORMER FOSTER YOUTH TO APPLY FOR THE STATE TUITION WAIVER, THE STUDENT MUST COMPLETE THE EDUCATION TRAINING VOUCHER (ETV) APPLICATION. THERE IS NO ADDITIONAL FORM OR APPLICATION REQUIRED.

For More Information, Contact a DCS Education Specialist

- Rosemary Miller - Rosemary.Miller@azdcs.gov or 602-771-7057 (Maricopa, Coconino, Yavapai, Lampas, Mohave, Navajo & Apache Counties)
- Eva Pena Eva.Pena@azdcs.gov or 520-209-4808 (Pima, Pinal, Yuma, Gila, Cochise, Santa Cruz, Graham & Greenlee Counties)

Scholarship Search Websites

AzCAN – College Access Network

[AZCAN | College Success Arizona](#)

This is a very helpful and informative website, including webpages designed for students/parents and foster youth/homeless youth. These web pages include popular links to topics, including but not limited to paying for college, planning for college, interests & careers, and foster care/homeless resources including scholarships and financial support.

Arizona Commission for Postsecondary Education

[Arizona Commission for Postsecondary Education | ...expanding access and increasing success in postsecondary education for Arizonans \(az.gov\)](#)

This is an extremely helpful and informative website. It provides beneficial information for foster care youth and alumni including financial aid links and other foster youth resources. This website also answers questions on paying for college. Other information includes such topics as Arizona's adult-education programs, Arizona Workforce Connection, education tax credits, among others. This site also provides such links as www.pay4collegearizona.gov and www.azgrants.gov among others.

College Board

[Connect to Colleges - Student Search Service | College Board](#)

Provides students with scholarship and financial aid information. Scholarship search.

College Connection

[College Connection, Inc.](#)

Search for scholarships by minority, subject, student type, state and many more.

Fast Web

[Find Scholarships for College for FREE | Fastweb](#)

Internet scholarship search service to help students make the decisions that shape their lives; choosing a college, paying for college, and find jobs and internships

Fin Aid

[FinAid – Financial Aid Information](#)

Financial aid, Scholarships and Student Loans. Offers a scholarship search tool (requires registration). Check out the Smart Student Guide to Financial Aid Booklet.

QuestBridge

[QuestBridge](#)

Questbridge is a non-profit program that links bright, motivated low-income students with educational and scholarship opportunities at some of the nation's best colleges. Questbridge is the provider of the National College Match Program and the College Prep Scholarship.

Scholarships.com

[Scholarships.com Search Free College Scholarships Financial Aid Grants Scholarships College Scholarship Free Scholarships](#)

Independent online source for free college scholarships searches and financial aid information.

US College Grants and Scholarships

[Free-College-Grants \(usagrantsapplications.org\)](#)

Access 1,000's of educational grants and scholarships for college tuition, books, and living expenses.

U.S. Department of Education

[Home](#) | [U.S. Department of Education](#)

Access to resources for grants, loans, education, and post-secondary resources.

USA Funds

[USA Funds](#) | [Contact \(educationvalue.org\)](#)

USA Funds provides information regarding college planning and scholarships. Explore various scholarship opportunities listed under "scholarship links"

Additional Scholarship Assistance Websites:

Arizona Community Foundation

www.azfoundation.org/scholarships

Pima Community College Portal

[PCC Scholarship Universe](#)

Student will need to login to MyPima to access Scholarship Universe to see a list of scholarships.

Scholarships A-Z

[Scholarships A-Z – Making higher education accessible to all people regardless of immigration status.](#)

University of Arizona students – Scholarship Universe

[Scholarship Universe | Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid \(arizona.edu\)](#)