



**High Desert Community Foundation Board Choice Scholarship
2026 Scholarship Criteria
Application Deadline: Received by March 27, 2026**

The **HDCF Board Choice Scholarship** provides college financial assistance to outstanding graduating seniors. The applicant must be **actively involved in the community** and disclose their plan to pursue a two or four-year degree.

Recipients receive a scholarship award to an accredited public or private institution of higher education to be used toward tuition, books, educational fees, or supplies.

Scholarship criteria:

- Minimum 3.0 G.P.A.
- High School graduating senior planning to attend a college or university
- Exhibit community/high school involvement
- Demonstrate financial need

The application packet should include:

- Completed application
- Essay as described in guidelines
- Letters of recommendation (one must be from a teacher)
- Transcript

Applicants may mail or deliver their completed application packets to:

**High Desert Community Foundation, Inc.
20601 Hwy 18, #171
Apple Valley, CA 92307**

Please call 760-242-8877 if you have any questions.



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Please print or type.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____, California Zip Code: _____

Home Phone () _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____

FAMILY INFORMATION

Parent or Guardian Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Occupation: _____ Work Phone () _____

TRANSCRIPT INFORMATION

A high school verified transcript must be attached to this application.

MAJOR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

List all school activities in which you have participated during the past 4 years (i.e., student government, legitimate school clubs or campus organizations, Performing Arts, sports, etc.)

Activity	Years of Participation	Special Awards/Honors

COMMUNITY SERVICE

List all community activities in which you have participated without pay during the past 4 years (i.e., scouts, church involvement, volunteer work, etc.). (Use additional pages if needed.)

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WORK EXPERIENCE

(Use additional pages if needed.)

Employer	Dates Employed	Job Description	Hours Worked Per Week	Hourly Rate of Pay

PROOF OF APPLICATION or REGISTRATION to an accredited University or College for the 2026 Fall Term must be attached to this application.

ESSAY

Please write an essay (maximum 2 pages double-spaced) telling us about yourself, your family, your hobbies, extracurricular activities and interests, your educational goals, the community service/high school involvement you have done, and **why you should be chosen for this scholarship.**

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Please attach two (2) letters of recommendation. One must be a teacher. The second letter can be an individual in your community, your church, your work, or a personal reference who is knowledgeable about your academic capabilities, skills, talents, and accomplishments.

APPLICANT CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsification of information may result in the termination of any scholarship granted.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____