

The Charro Foundation



Dear Scholarship Applicant,

The Scottsdale Charros have been proud supporters of Scottsdale Community College since the school's inception in the 1960s. In the spring of 2015, the Charros introduced The Charro Foundation Scottsdale Community College Scholarship, awarding a \$5,000 (\$2,500 per year for two years) scholarship to a student who graduated from high school in the Scottsdale Unified School District. All scholarship recipients must meet the qualifications outlined in the following scholarship application. **Completed applications must be submitted to The Charro Foundation by March 10, 2017.** Incomplete applications will not be considered for scholarship funding.

The scholarship recipient will be notified in April 2017, after the application review and assessment process is complete. Recipient will be honored at our annual Outstanding Students & Educators Awards Banquet on April 28, 2017. *(tentative)*

If you have any questions about this scholarship please call the Scottsdale Charros office at (480) 990-2977.

Sincerely,



Chris Rivera
2016-2017 Scholarship Chairman
Scottsdale Charros



Scottsdale Community College Scholarship

The Charro Foundation Scottsdale Community College Scholarship was established to provide funding to graduates of Scottsdale Unified School District who wants to pursue a two-year degree from Scottsdale Community College. The scholarship is awarded to individuals who can demonstrate outstanding achievement in academic activities, as well as non-academic activities. The scholarship is awarded at \$2,500 per year for two years as long as the student meets the criteria each academic year.

Questions and Answers about the Scottsdale Community College Scholarship

Q. What qualifications must I meet to apply for the scholarship?

A. You must be a U. S. citizen and legal resident of the State of Arizona, as well as a graduate of a high school in the Scottsdale Unified School District. You must have had no less than a 3.0 cumulative grade point in high school.

Q. Is financial need a factor?

A. Yes. Outstanding merit and financial need are the principal factors.

Q. What does the award provide?

A. The Charro Foundation Scottsdale Community College Scholarship provides a scholarship in the amount of \$2,500 deposited to Scottsdale Community College in July of 2016 for the 2016-2017 academic year. These funds are drawn upon as needed, based upon the number of credit hours the scholarship recipient takes their first year. These funds may be used for the following:

1. Tuition and fees at Scottsdale Community College.
2. The cost of books and educational supplies required for a course of study.
3. Miscellaneous school expenses such as parking fees, technology, etc.

Q. What do I have to do to keep the scholarship?

A. At the end of each academic year at Scottsdale Community College, you must submit to The Charro Foundation evidence of performance in the form of a written progress report on courses taken, grades earned, participation in campus community activities and other pertinent experiences. Among the renewal criteria required is proof of a 3.0 overall grade point average at the end of each year. If your accomplishments are found to be satisfactory, the scholarship is renewed after the successful completion of 30 credit hours for an additional \$2,500 and can be drawn upon as needed based on credit hours.

If your course of study is interrupted for religious missions or extenuating personal circumstances, the scholarship support may be deferred up to one year.

Q. Can I transfer between schools in the Maricopa Community College system?

A. No, you must attend Scottsdale Community College. This scholarship is nontransferable.



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APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Please review the list of credentials you must file to be considered for The Charro Foundation Scottsdale Community College Scholarship. You are responsible for ensuring your credentials are complete; the Foundation cannot assume this responsibility.

The scholarship is awarded only in support of study at Scottsdale Community College. The process of admission to Scottsdale Community College is *separate* from the application for The Charro Foundation Scottsdale Community College Scholarship. It is strongly suggested that you visit the campus of Scottsdale Community College before applying for this scholarship.

Applicants should meet the following criteria:

- Be a U.S. citizen, a legal resident of Arizona for at least two consecutive years, and be graduated from a Scottsdale Unified School District high school.
- Attain a cumulative grade-point average of no less than 3.0 in high school academic subjects.
- Provide evidence of leadership experience and significant interest in one or more extracurricular and community activities.

Your application will consist of the following elements:

- Form 1 -- *Applicant Information*, must be signed by the applicant and a parent or legal guardian if the applicant is under the age of 18. Form provides basic applicant information and also provides an opportunity to list your accomplishments and tell the selection committee about your interests.
- Form 2 -- *Applicant Essay*, 500 words addressing the following: "What I want to study at SCC, my future goals and how this scholarship assistance will help me achieve my goals."
- Form 3 -- *Recommendation*, must be completed by a teacher or professional colleague.

Materials submitted to The Charro Foundation in support of your scholarship application are used by the Foundation's staff and members of the scholarship selection committee, and become the property of The Charro Foundation. The Foundation does not return materials to the applicant, nor provide access to them by applicants or parents.

SELECTION PROCESS

An initial review of applications will be made by the Scottsdale Charros and staff. Completed and qualified applications will then be assessed by a review panel on the basis of the applicant's overall record of achievements, activities, and financial need; together with an appraisal of the qualities of intellect and character by student-selected references. Candidates will be considered without consideration of race, gender, color, religion, physical handicap, age and national origin.

Selection Criteria The following criteria are considered in selecting Scottsdale Community College Scholarship recipients: 1) academic assessment, 2) essay, 3) personal achievement, 4) financial need.

Scholarship recipients will be notified in March. ***All of the required information must be postmarked or delivered by March 10, 2017 to The Charro Foundation Attention: Education Committee 10533 E. Lakeview Drive Scottsdale, AZ 85258***



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FORM 1

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Deadline: Friday, March 10, 2017

Name Last First Middle Male Female
Home Address
City, State, ZIP
Home Phone Cell Phone
Email

Date of Birth Social Security Number
Month/Day/Year
High School
Date of High School Graduation High School GPA

Have you taken any college courses? Yes No
If you answered yes, please complete the following and submit a copy of your transcripts with this application.

Table with 4 columns: School, Year(s) Attended, Credit Hours Earned, GPA

School Club Activities: Please list, in order of significance to you, school activities in which you have participated.

Table with 2 columns: School Club/Organization/Position (if any), Year

Athletic Activities: Please list, in order of significance to you, sports and physical activities in which you have participated. (Please specify school sports or community groups, and if school, whether varsity or non-varsity. If varsity, did you or will you receive a letter? Please note also if you were captain or held any other leadership position on a team.)

Table with 2 columns: School Club/Organization / Position / Recognition, Year

Community Involvement: Please list, in order of significance to you, community activities in which you have been involved.

Table with 2 columns: Organization/Activity/Position (if any), Year



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Honors and Awards: Please list, in order of significance to you, academic, athletic or other awards and honors not previously listed.

| Award/Awarding Organization | Year |
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Employment History

Employer & Location _____

Title _____ Dates of Employment _____

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Yes, I am a U.S. Citizen. (If a naturalized citizen, what is the country of previous citizenship and when was U.S. citizenship obtained? _____)

Yes, I have been a resident of Arizona since August of 2014.

Transcript

An official copy of the applicant's high school transcript must accompany this form to complete the application. If college classes have been taken, and official copy of college transcripts must also accompany this form.

Applicant Signature _____ **Date** _____

Parent Signature _____ **Date** _____
(If applicant is under the age of 18.)

Parent Name _____
First and Last

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Applicant: Please submit Form 1 and 2, and your high school and college (if applicable) transcripts to the address below by Friday, March 10, 2017.

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FORM 2

APPLICANT ESSAY

Deadline: Friday, March 10, 2017

Your Name _____

Last

First

Middle

Please type a 500-word essay on "What I want to study at SCC, my future goals and how this scholarship assistance will help me achieve my goals." Be sure to include your decision-making process. High consideration is given to this essay when choosing a scholarship recipient. Any indication of dishonesty will result in automatic disqualification.

***Applicant: Please return Form 1 and 2, along with your high school transcripts (and college transcripts, if applicable) to the address below by Friday, March 10, 2017.
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FORM 3

TEACHER/PROFESSIONAL REFERENCE

Deadline: Friday, March 10, 2017

Applicant: Print or type your name and give this form to a current or former teacher or work colleague. Choose someone who can best support your application while providing insightful, useful information concerning your candidacy. **Remind your reference that this form must be postmarked or delivered to the Scottsdale Charros by Friday, March 10, 2017.**

Applicant Name _____
Last First Middle

I request that this form be sent to The Charro Foundation for application for the Scottsdale Community College Scholarship. I understand it will be used in support of my application and that I may not seek to read the evaluation submitted.

Reference Name _____
First and Last

Phone _____ Email _____

What is the nature of your relationship with the applicant? _____

What are the first words that come to mind to describe the applicant? _____

Please explain why you think the applicant should receive the Scottsdale Community College scholarship.

Reference Signature _____ Date _____

Please send this form to the address below by Friday, March 10, 2017.
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