



## SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM SUMMARY AND GUIDELINES

The Downriver CU Scholarship Program provides a select group of graduating seniors with a one-time, non-renewable scholarship of **\$1,000.00**. Funds can be used for tuition, room & board, meals, or books. Scholarship applications should include all required documentation and **submitted no later than Friday, May 3, 2024**. Scholarship recipients will be notified by Friday, May 24, 2024.

### **Eligibility**

- ◆ Must be a graduating high school senior.
- ◆ A member in good standing of Downriver CU – *must have joined on or before December 31 of the year prior to the awarding of the scholarship.*
- ◆ Have a minimum GPA of 2.50.
- ◆ Must be accepted for enrollment in a college or trade school.
- ◆ Demonstrated leadership ability and community involvement.

### **To Apply**

- ◆ Write an **original 500-word essay** on the following topic:

***“What does the credit union’s mission of helping people ‘accomplish great things’ mean to you and how does it relate to your career aspirations?”***

PLEASE NOTE: Essays must be typed, double-spaced, 12-point font, and no longer than 2 pages. Avoid the inclusion of any names so that we can ensure unbiased judging of the essay. Content, grammar, punctuation, and spelling will all be taken into consideration.

- ◆ Include the following documentation to complete your application package:
  1. **Cover Letter** (*not required if using online application form*)
  2. **Scholarship Application** detailing organizations, clubs, organized sports, or other accomplishments, that helped you to develop qualities of a leader.
  3. **High School Transcript.**
  4. **Letter of acceptance from a college or trade school.**
  5. **2 Letters of Recommendation** from a non-family member at your church, school, employer, or community organization.
- ◆ Submit your Scholarship Application and upload the required documents using the link on our website at [www.downrivercu.com/scholarships](http://www.downrivercu.com/scholarships) (click on Resources, then Scholarships) by **Friday, May 3, 2024** to be considered for this scholarship. Applications may also be mailed to the address on the Cover Letter.

**DOWNRIVER COMMUNITY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION**  
**SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM COVER LETTER**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

The following documents are enclosed with my application package:

- Cover Letter *(not required if using online application form)*
- Scholarship Application *(not required if using online application form)*
- High School Transcript
- Letter of Acceptance from the College or Trade School
- Recommendation Letters
- Essay

Submit completed package to our Scholarship Committee online or by mail:

**Online:**

[www.DownriverCU.com/scholarships](http://www.DownriverCU.com/scholarships)

*or*

**By Mail:**

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE  
Downriver Community Federal Credit Union  
15261 Trenton Rd.  
Southgate, MI 48195

**DOWNRIVER COMMUNITY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION**  
**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**G.P.A.** \_\_\_\_\_ **ACT/SAT SCORE:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the sports, clubs, activities, etc. that you have participated in during your tenure at  
\_\_\_\_\_ High School:

I plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_  
(College, University, Vocational or Technical)

I plan to major in: \_\_\_\_\_

What leadership skills do you possess?

Please list the services that you have provided (if any) to your community and how you have been involved with churches, non-school organizations, volunteer work, etc.:

Hobbies & Interests:

What jobs have you held during the past two (2) years?

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