

### **Essay Topic and Goal**

"The credit union mission of 'people helping people' is evidenced in Credit Unions across America that put the member, or consumer, first - as opposed to banks, whose primary obligation is to the stockholder."

> - Excerpt taken from a letter written by members of the House of Representatives to the Chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation June 24, 2004

The purpose of this scholarship is to educate our members about credit unions. In your essay, please explain the credit union philosophy and its relevance to you, your community, and our country as a whole — now, and in the future.

## Eligibility

- 1. Student must be a member of SF Fire Credit Union in good standing.
- 2. Enrolled as a full-time student in an accredited university, college, community college, or high school.
- 3. Current grade point average of 2.5 or higher.
- 4. Previous scholarship recipients must wait one year after awarding of a scholarship to apply again.
- 5. Submission packets containing all the requirements must be delivered to SF Fire Credit Union by February 1, 2025.

### **Application Requirements**

- 1. Submit a completed application provided by SF Fire Credit Union.
- 2. Submit your school transcripts in a sealed envelope, with the school's seal embossed over flap.
- 3. Submit an original 250 to 1000 word typed essay on the above topic, suitable for publication.
- 4. Application and all supporting documents are to be submitted as a complete package only. (Complete package consists of application, transcript and essay).
- 5. Completed packets can be dropped off to any of our branches: California Street, Stonestown, or Noe Valley. If you are mailing your package please send to :

Attention: Scholarship Committee SF Fire Credit Union 3201 California Street San Francisco, CA 94118



#### Amount of Award

Four scholarships of \$2,500 each will be awarded. Two will be awarded to secondary (high school) students, and two will be awarded to college students. Awards for recipients under the age of 18 will be made to their parents or guardians.

#### **Application Deadline**

SF Fire Credit Union must receive completed application, transcripts and essay no later than February 1, 2025. All submitted applications will be reviewed for compliance with application requirements by the Scholarship Committee of SF Fire Credit Union.

#### Awarding of Scholarships

The essays will be judged on quality, originality and content. The winners will be notified by phone and by e-mail.

#### 2025 Scholarship Program Application

(Please type or print clearly. If you wish, you may re-type and submit.)

Name:			
If Under 18, Provide Name Of Parent Or Guardian:			
Account Number:	Date Of Birth:		
Social Security Number:	Telephone:		
Address, Street:	Apt:		
City:	State:	Zip:	
Email:			
School currently enrolled in:			

Note: Applicants must submit school transcript showing proof of minimum 2.5 GPA, and be a full-time student. Transcripts must be in a sealed envelope, with the school's seal embossed over flap.



#### **Personal History**

Education: In chronological order, list all schools attended. School

Location

Work Experience: In chronological order, list current and previous employers.

Activities and Awards: List any extra-curricular activities you have participated in or awards you have received.



Educational goals or employment goals.

Accredited academic institutions to which you have applied.

### Provide An Essay Of 250 To 1000 Words Based On The Topic

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Student's Name (Print)

Signature

Date

### Submit completed application to:

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