

# Current Scholarships Available

## **The following scholarships are open to students regardless of immigration status**

Learn more about the programs and how to apply by visiting

<http://www.cofem.org/programs/images/ScholarshipsImmStatusExempt.pdf>

### **CAL POLY POMONA RENAISSANCE SCHOLARS (RS)EMPOWERING FORMER FOSTER YOUTH THROUGH HIGHER**

**EDUCATION RENAISSANCE SCHOLARS** is a comprehensive support service program that enables former foster youth to attend one of the nation's finest universities and successfully complete a bachelor's degree. This innovative program draws on Cal Poly Pomona's Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) and the Casey Family Program's its My Life framework for transitioning foster youth.

**Deadline February 23, 2012**

#### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Demonstrate high motivation and academic potential to succeed in college
- Must be a current or former foster youth between the ages of 17-24 Qualify for admission to Cal State Polytechnic University, Pomona as a freshman or transfer student
- Qualify for EOP (Educational Opportunity Program)
- Must qualify as an —independent student under federal financial aid guidelines

Follow these easy steps:

STEP 1 - Complete the California State University undergraduate application for admission no later than November 30, 2011. The application is available at [www.csumentor.edu](http://www.csumentor.edu)

\*Please note that Cal Poly Pomona's Renaissance Scholars program accepts admission applications from prospective students for the Fall Quarter only.

STEP 2 - Download a [Renaissance Scholars Application Fall 2012](#) or call our Educational Counselor Amber Stroman at (909) 869-4306 to request a copy.

Complete and submit the following forms to the Renaissance Scholars office:

- Form 1 - General Information
- Form 2 - Personal Statement
- Form 3 - School Report
- Form 4 - Teacher Recommendation
- Form 5 - Personal Recommendation
- Copy of ward of the court documentation (minute orders)
- Copy of high school / community college transcript
- STEP 3 - Entering students must submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or renewal FAFSA by the March 2 priority deadline.

\*Please visit [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) for FAFSA's online application.

STEP 4 - Current or emancipated foster youth who meet the university's admission standards and Renaissance Scholars requirements will be invited to Cal Poly Pomona for a personal interview between February and March.

### **Real Estate Endowment Fund up to \$800.00**

No more than 8 recipients

**Deadline March 1, 2012**

Qualifications:

- Applications must complete 6 units (or the quarter equivalent) of Real Estate classes for each semester/quarter funded.
- Applicants must demonstrate minimum 2.0 cumulative G.P.A. from all college courses; have financial need or meet income criteria.
- Additional information and applications are available at the Financial Aid/Scholarship Office or from the Real Estate Education Coordinator at your community college.

(Applications to be turned into the Citrus College financial aid office)

Learn more about the program and how to apply by visiting

<http://www.cccco.edu/ChancellorsOffice/Divisions/StudentServices/StudentFinancialAssistancePrograms/RealEstateScholarshipProgram/tabid/684/Default.aspx>

**Change a Life Foundation** Operates a scholarship program for graduating high school seniors in Los Angeles, San Diego, and Orange Counties and for Emancipated Youth throughout California. The Change a Life Scholarship Program wishes to bridge the financial gap that college-bound students face. The donor wishes to do this by providing scholarships to students with great potential, high financial need, strong academic demonstration and community/civic involvement.

**Deadline March 15, 2012**

**Scholarship Criteria** (Emancipated Youth criteria listed below - please scroll down)

- 12th grade student enrolling in a four-year College or University
- Weighted Grade Point Average of 3.5 or above from ninth grade to first semester of 12th grade
- Minimum SAT score of 1,500
- Enrolled in and/or passed Advanced Placement courses (AP courses)
- Economically disadvantaged: HUD standard of poverty to serve as a guide  
example: family of 4 in Orange County - HUD limit is \$74,300
- U.S. Citizen or Permanent Legal Resident
- Evidence of extracurricular activities (school/community involvement/employment)
- A minimum of 40 hours of Community Service from ninth grade to first semester of 12th grade
- Above average attendance
- Must graduate from an approved public high school in the following counties: Los Angeles County, San Diego County, or Orange County.

**Scholarship Criteria Specific to Emancipated Youth**

- 12th grade student enrolling in a four-year College or University OR currently attending a Community College and ready to transfer to a four-year College or University

- Weighted Grade Point Average of 2.75 or above from ninth grade to first semester of 12th grade OR a cumulative GPA of 2.5 for Community College courses
- Minimum SAT score of 1,350 (not applicable for transfer students) or ACT score of 19
- Economically disadvantaged: HUD standard of poverty to serve as a guide (Income information of parents or foster parents of emancipated youth is not required)
- U.S. Citizen or Permanent Legal Resident
- Evidence of extracurricular activities (school/community involvement/employment)
- Community Service
- Above average attendance

Learn more about the program and how to apply by visiting

[http://www.changealife.org/funding\\_priorities/funding\\_priorities\\_college\\_scholarship\\_details.aspx](http://www.changealife.org/funding_priorities/funding_priorities_college_scholarship_details.aspx)

**Foothill Presbyterian Hospital Auxiliary** This scholarship program is available to high school graduates and to college students who are majoring in a health career field.

**Deadline March 15, 2012 prior to the end of business hours**

**Eligibility**

- Any high school senior or college student who has been accepted to study at an accredited college, university, or technical school
- Applicants must be U>S> Citizens
- Applicants must be California residents
- The school to be attended need not be a California institution, however, the institution must be accredited by a regionally accredited association of schools and colleges
- In order to be competitive, a 3.0 GPA out of a possible 4.0 is necessary
- A minimum of 12 units per semester are required unless the applicant's specialized major considers fewer units as full time
- The applicant must follow all specific instructions within this application

- Must be pursuing a Health Career

**Applications will be available at the financial aid office located in the Student Service building or the Health Science office located in the PC building**

Learn more about the program and how to apply by visiting

[http://www.cvhp.org/Careers/Why\\_Choose\\_Us/Foothill\\_Presbyterian\\_Hospital.aspx](http://www.cvhp.org/Careers/Why_Choose_Us/Foothill_Presbyterian_Hospital.aspx)

**SCHEC (South Coast Higher Education Council) Transfer Scholarship** Scholarships are offered only to students currently enrolled in a SCHEC institution who will be transferring to a SCHEC four-year college/university or professional school during the 2012-2013 academic year

**Deadline March 16, 2012**

#### **Eligibility Requirements**

- Scholarships are offered only to students currently enrolled in a SCHEC institution who will be transferring to a SCHEC four-year college/university or professional school during the 2012-2013 academic year.
- Must earn at least a 2.0 GPA during the previous term and this must be verified

**The committee will look for the following when reading your application:**

- Overall and transfer G.P.A.
- Preparation for major and for general education
- Clarity of essay
- Goals: How your interest developed, challenges you are facing, number of hours you are working, if you are a first generation college student, cultural
- Influences, involvement at a community college, and level of motivation
- Your potential for future success based on the appraisal forms references (classroom faculty preferred)

**Learn more about the program and how to apply by visiting [the Citrus College Financial Aid, ask for an application packet](#)**

**JVS (Jewish Vocational Service) Scholarship Program** a need-based program providing scholarships for college, graduate school and vocational school to Jewish students who are permanent residents of Los Angeles County.

**Deadline March 16, 2012**

#### **Eligibility Requirements**

- Jewish
- Minimum age of 16 years
- Permanent an legal resident of Los Angeles County
- U.S. citizen or documented legal permanent U.S. resident (green card)
- Planning to attend an accredited public or private college, university or vocational school in the U.S.
- Planning to enroll full-time (minimum 12 units per term)
- Minimum 2.7 GPA
- **Demonstrated** and **verifiable** financial need

Completed application and all supplemental material (including official transcript and letter of recommendation) must be postmarked by March 16, 2012. A complete list of required supplemental material is available online. Any supplemental materials postmarked after March 16, 2012 will not be considered.

Learn more about the program and how to apply by visiting [www.jvsla.org/scholarship](http://www.jvsla.org/scholarship)

**The Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA)** is once again offering several water-resources related scholarships for the 2012-2013 academic year.

**Deadline April 1, 2012**

#### **Eligibility**

- Applicants must be:
- A California resident

- A full-time junior or senior in the year the scholarship will be applied
- Attending an accredited, publicly funded college or university in California
- Studying a water-resources related field or discipline
- Planning to attend school for the complete academic year
- Two \$3,000 scholarships are available to undergraduate students majoring in a water-related field, such as biology, engineering, irrigation technology or public administration

Learn more about the program and how to apply by visiting <https://www.acwa.com/content/scholarship/scholarships>

**Citrus Valley Medical Center (Inter-Community Campus)** Scholarships are available from the Inter-Community Campus Auxiliary for students enrolled in RN, LVN, or Allied health programs at a community college or university.

**Deadline April 02, 2012 by 4:00pm**

#### **Eligibility**

- Be a student enrolled in the required course of study for a nursing or allied health program in a community college or university taking a minimum of 6 units
- Have completed and include a transcript for at least one semester or quarter of study in the area requesting the scholarship
- Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 for all college courses

**Applications will be available at the financial aid office located in the Student Service building or the Health Science office located in the PC building**

#### **CHCI Scholarship (Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute Inc.)**

**CHCI Scholarship Program Mission** The mission of CHCI Scholarship Program is to provide critical financial assistance that will increase graduation rates among Latino students in post-secondary education.

**Deadline April 16, 2012**

#### **Eligibility Criteria:**

- Full-time enrollment in a United States Department of Education accredited community college, four-year university, or graduate/professional program during the period for which scholarship is requested
- Demonstrated financial need
- Consistent, active participation in public and/or community service activities

- Strong writing skills
- U.S. citizenship or legal permanent residency

<https://www.chci.org/scholarships/css.print/default.asp>

**The Historical Society of Monterey Park Awarding the Laura Scudder Scholarship** The Historical Society of Monterey Park is honoring the memory of Laura Scudder, a Monterey park entrepreneur of potato chip fame, by awarding two (2) \$3000 scholarships to students who are pursuing their education in an institution of higher learning and are currently enrolled in the field of **Nursing, Culinary Arts or Business**.

**Deadline May 4, 2012**

### Eligibility

- Must have completed a minimum of (1) year of basic education courses necessary for completion of his/her chosen field at an institution of higher learning
- Applicants must attend a community college, culinary school located in the San Gabriel Valley
- Must have a minimum of a 2.0 GPA (Official Transcripts must be provided)
- Must be a citizen of the United States
- Applications must be submitted with (3) letters of recommendation

Learn more about the program, print out an application by visiting

<http://www.elac.edu/admission/finaid/doc/forms/LauraScudderScholarshipApplicationCriteria.pdf>

**Applications will also be available at the Financial Aid Office located at the Student Services building**

**Abbott & Fenner Business Consultant** Are committed to continuing our efforts at helping those who have the desire and ambition to succeed. The A&F Scholarships are available to all high school juniors and seniors as well as all students currently registered in any accredited post secondary institution.

**Deadline June 15, 2012**

- The winner(s) of this annual scholarship will receive their award within 2 weeks of the listed deadline. All applicants should include their full name and mailing address with their submissions.
- To apply for this scholarship you will need to write an essay on the topic below. The essay should be between 500 and 1000 words. Your submissions must be sent to us by email at: [scholarships@abbottandfenner.com](mailto:scholarships@abbottandfenner.com)

**What was the most difficult time in your life, and why? How did your perspective on life change as a result of this difficulty?**

Learn more about the program and how to apply by visiting <http://www.abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm>

## **BigSun Scholarship...2012**

The Bigsun Organization is proud to be able to help young athletes succeed in their academic pursuits. In order to do our part we are offering an annual scholarship to a deserving student. All athletes are eligible for this award regardless of which sport they are participating in.

**Deadline is June 22, 2012**

**who is eligible?**

- All Student athletes are eligible regardless of the sport they are engaged in
- The student must be a high school senior or be attending a post secondary institute

How to Apply: Send a short essay answering the following question:

**How has your education contributed to who you are today?**

**Why do you want to earn a college education?**

Learn more about the program and how to apply by visiting <https://athleticawards@bigsunathletics.com>