



## 2021 HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 2, 2021

### PURPOSE OF THE WESTERN COLORADO MIGRANT AND RURAL COALITION

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The purpose of the WCMRC is to improve the work conditions and quality of life of the MFSW (defined as migrant and seasonal farm workers) and their families in the areas of health, education, housing, employment and legal issues. The WCMRC works to maximize the coordination of resources, promotes inter-agency cooperation and attempts to increase community awareness of issues and public programs affecting the MSFW population.

### SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

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- Applicant must currently be a senior attending Montrose County or Delta County schools, and be enrolled into an institute of higher education or career readiness for the 2021-22 school year to receive the scholarship award.
- Student must demonstrate financial need and be a temporary or seasonal agricultural worker or the child of a current temporary or seasonal worker within the last 3 years. (See personal essay prompt).
- If chosen to receive the WCMRC scholarship, funds will be remitted directly to the student for assistance with costs for higher education (university, technical school, certificate program, etc.) including but not limited to tuition, textbooks, transportation and daily living expenses. The award will be delivered in a single payment and **shall not exceed \$2,500.00**
- The award is intended for costs incurred during the 2021-2022 school calendar.
- The scholarship may be renewed for an additional school year pending review of student's academic progress; Award recipients must maintain a 3.0 GPA or above while enrolled in a post-secondary institution and communicate with the WCMRC before the award may be considered for renewal.

### SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

#### Student Application Form

- Please be sure to provide current and accurate contact information.

#### Personal Essay

- Typed, 12 pt. font, double-spaced not to exceed two pages in length. Applicant must address the essay prompt.

#### Copy of High School Transcripts

- Priority will be given to applicants with a 2.5 GPA or above. Applicant may address their academic strengths and/or challenges within their personal essay.

Please submit all application materials to the **Western Colorado Migrant & Rural Coalition, PO Box 382 Montrose, CO 81402**. Applications will be reviewed on a first-come, first-serve basis and award recipient(s) will be notified no later than April 30, 2021. If you have questions, please call Tracy Gallegos at **970-254-5495**.



## STUDENT APPLICATION FORM

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email/Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Where you plan to attend university or technical program: \_\_\_\_\_

Intended area of study: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Employer or Parent's Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of employment in Temporary or seasonal agricultural work \_\_\_\_\_

1. Name of personal or professional reference: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_

Email/Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name of personal or professional reference: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_

Email/Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### PERSONAL ESSAY PROMPT

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**On a separate page, please address the following questions in essay format:**

**How has your experience growing up in a family engaged in temporary or seasonal farm work impacted your educational experience? What challenges have you or your family had to overcome in order for you to pursue opportunities in higher education? Why do you think you would be a good candidate for this particular scholarship? How do you plan to contribute to your community in the future?**

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