

2024 Cal Coast Cares Foundation – Foster Student Scholarship Criteria

The Cal Coast Cares Foundation is pleased to provide a scholarship award program to collegebound high school seniors and current college students who are in or have been in the foster care program in San Diego or Riverside County. The purpose of the scholarship is to assist foster students in furthering their education by enrolling in or continuing their studies at accredited colleges or universities.

To be eligible, the applicants must:

- a) Provide documentation that the applicant is in or has been in the foster care program.
- b) Reside in San Diego or Riverside Counties.
- c) Have a cumulative high school or college grade point average (GPA), or equivalent, of at least 2.5 on a scale of 0 4.0. An official sealed transcript is required.
- d) Have applied, been accepted to, or currently attend an accredited college or university and enroll in a minimum of nine (9) units.
- e) Submit a completed scholarship application packet via DocuSign with all required components to the Cal Coast Cares Foundation <u>by April 15, 2024</u>. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.

Additional information:

- Each scholarship will be payable no later than December 31, 2024.
- The award will be determined by the Scholarship Awards Committee appointed by the Cal Coast Cares Foundation Board.
- Students who receive a Foster Student Scholarship may be eligible for the same award the following year.
- With the recipient and caregiver/guardian's permission, their name and photograph may be included in public relations efforts. Caregiver/guardian's permission is not required to apply for the scholarship.
- Credit union staff, officials and their families are not eligible to participate in the scholarship program.

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