

YWCA Harriet M. Heatherington Scholarship

2009 – 2010 Academic Year

Terms and Conditions

About the Scholarship Program:

This scholarship fund was established by Harriet M. Heatherington, a member of the YWCA of Maricopa County, to help deserving women attain their educational goals. In past years, dedicated friends of Harriet and volunteers of the YWCA awarded grants to women who were passionate about moving forward with their life and furthering their career. The Arizona Community Foundation is pleased to carry on the spirit of Ms. Heatherington and this tradition, and will continue to offer the scholarship; reviewing applications and selecting the best qualified students to benefit from the scholarship.

Eligibility:

- Female, with preference given to those with dependents.
- Intent to enroll at a post-secondary school in Arizona (vocational school, community college, or university).
- U.S. citizen or legal immigrant; Arizona resident for tuition purposes at public colleges.
- High school graduate with at least a 2.0 GPA or cumulative score of 460 or better on G.E.D. or successful completion of at least 12 credits of college level work with a G.P.A. of 2.0 or higher.
- Financial need; detailed in the student essay and letters of recommendation.
- Preference given to current or former residents of YWCA Haven House and to women in refugee status.

Award:

\$1,800 to attend a community college or vocational training course, OR
\$3,600 to attend a four-year university
(Scholarship payments are sent to the college Financial Aid Office before the start of each semester)

Renewal

This scholarship is not automatically renewed. Prior recipients may apply for continued funding in subsequent application cycles and will be considered along with new applicants. Applicants may apply for up to four consecutive years, with special exceptions for additional years reviewed by Arizona Community Foundation.

Application Process:

- Submit the completed application along with all supplemental materials in one package to:

YWCA Harriet M. Heatherington Scholarship
Arizona Community Foundation
2201 East Camelback Rd., Ste 202
Phoenix, AZ 85016

Application Deadline:

- All application materials must be in hand at the above address by 4:30 PM, January 31, 2009

Scholarship Award Announced: by Feb 9, 2009

Note: *In addition to any other terms and conditions, the number and amount of all Arizona Community Foundation scholarship awards and renewals is contingent on the availability of funding.*

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Application Check List and Cover Sheet

(Incomplete packets will not be considered)

Name

My application contains:

This check list and cover sheet

Two (2) letters of recommendation with the Letter of Recommendation Form

Official high school transcript or official GED score report

Completed scholarship application forms, including essay stating desire to complete education, financial need, goals and any other information to assist the review panel in their decision making.

Certification and Signatures

I certify that:

- I meet the eligibility requirements for this scholarship.
- The application packet is complete.
- The information on the application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.
- The essay I submit is my original work.
- I understand that the scholarship award is to be used for expenses related to my education.
- I will notify the ACF of any changes in my enrollment.
- Furthermore, I authorize my high school or university to release academic, financial and/or other necessary information as required by the donor and/or the Arizona Community Foundation.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

(Required only If applicant is under age 18)

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Instructions: The selection of scholarship recipients is influenced by the completeness of replies. Print your responses using black ink. Responses may also be printed separately using a font size no smaller than 10 point and pasted to the form.

A. Applicant Information

Full Name _____ Preferred Name or Nickname _____

Gender Female Date of Birth ____/____/____

Marital Status Single Married Divorced Separated Widowed

Number and ages of dependents living with you _____

Home Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number (____) _____ - _____ E-mail Address _____

B. Work Information

List jobs you have held within the last four years.

Job/Kind of Work	Employer	Dates (e.g., 3/04 – 3/05)	Hrs. Worked per Week
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

If awarded this scholarship will you be working while attending school? _____ Where? _____

C. Academic information

High School Attended: _____ Graduated? Year _____

Colleges or Universities you have attended, with year(s) _____

Cumulative GPA in previous college work: _____ Cumulative Credits earned _____

If awarded this scholarship, what School or College will you attend? _____

What is your intended career choice? _____

What is your intended major in college? _____

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D. Community/Volunteer Service

List places that you have given volunteer service in the last four years, and indicate the month and year of your service.

E. Essay Question.

Your essay should demonstrate style, depth, and breadth of knowledge and individuality. Limit your responses to 500 words. Print your essay and include it with the application. Give considerable thought to your writing as it will weigh heavily in the readers' decisions.

Essay: What is your career goal? How does education fit into that goal? Why do you need funding from this scholarship in order to reach your goal? What difference will this scholarship make in your life?

