



**Lowell Neighborhood
College Scholarship Application
Due July 30, 2022**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

High School or College currently attending: _____

Current overall GPA and year in school: _____

Please check the Scholarship you are applying for:

_____ \$1,500: 4 year university or _____ \$500: 2 year college or trade school.

Directions for Essay: On a separate paper, please answer the following questions.
Suggested length 3-5 pages, double spaced, size 12 font.

- Describe your connection to the Lowell neighborhood. How long have you lived here, what community activities have you participated in Lowell? How has living here or being part of this community impacted you and shaped who you are today?
- Talk about your hopes and dreams for the future in regards to the education and the career you hope to obtain? Do you know what degree you'd like to pursue? What field of study interests you? What would you like to do with this?
- In what ways do you see yourself giving back to the community as a college student or as one who holds a college degree in the future?

****Once you have finished your essay, please have at least one other person read it to look for correct spelling and grammar, completion of thought, and any suggestions to improve your essay.**



Directions for Letter of Recommendation: You will need to have one person write you a letter recommending you for this scholarship. This person should not be related to you, but someone who knows you well. Ask this person to answer questions such as:

- How long have they known you and in what capacity?
- What are some of your strengths, aspirations, and future goals?
- Why would you be a good candidate for this scholarship?

Requirements

Each applicant must:

- have completed high school in 2022 or earlier
- have a minimum of 1 year living in the Lowell neighborhood. The Lowell neighborhood is defined by the boundaries of Divisadero to Belmont and H Street to Blackstone.
- have a minimum GPA of 2.0
- submit the following:
 - your completed application and essay
 - one letter of recommendation
 - transcripts
 - proof of income (EBT card, pay stub, income tax statement)
- demonstrate financial need as shown by an annual income of no more than twice the US Federal Poverty Level Matrix (see table below).

Size of Family	200%
1	\$27,180
2	\$36,620
3	\$46,060
4	\$55,500
5	\$64,940
6	\$74,380
7	\$83,820
8	\$93,260
each additional person add	\$9,440

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Size of the Award

Up to four scholarships will be awarded:

- four year universities in the amount of \$1,500
- two year college or trade schools in the amount of \$500 each

Additional Information

Any scholarship money not awarded will be rolled over to the following year. All financial gifts will be given to the school for which the scholarship was applied for or to a selected business (i.e. for books or a computer) and not to the individual.

The scholarship awards will be handed out at a Lowell Neighborhood Association meeting to be determined. Family and community members will be invited to attend. The Lowell Community Development Corporation will hold and receive all financial transactions. All donations are tax deductible. Any further questions should be addressed to Nancy Donat at 559-960-3622.

When you are finished, please return this application, your essay, letter of recommendation, proof of income and your transcripts by email to:

info@lowellcdc.org

or mail to the address below:

Lowell CDC
1749 L Street
Fresno, CA 93721

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