



THE BRUCE AND REGEN DENNIS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Scholarship Information and Criteria

The Bruce and Regen Dennis Scholarship Fund is established as an endowed scholarship for low-income Latino/Hispanic students residing in Coachella Valley.

Who is eligible to receive the scholarship?

The Fund provides financial assistance in the form of scholarships to graduating high school students who are low income, Latino/Hispanic who demonstrate motivation, perseverance and a sincere desire to gain an education. Recipients may receive a two-year scholarship award of \$1,000/year to an accredited four-year public or private institution of higher learning. The scholarship awards are outright grant awards. No services will be required as a consequence of receiving the award. Scholarship awards are for tuition, books, education fees, and/or living expenses.

Scholarship Criteria and Procedures

Applicants will be selected based on the following:

- Financial need
- GPA of 3.0 or above
- High school senior
- Full time student
- Merit
- Career or educational goal
- Letters of recommendation
- Community service

How are scholarship recipients selected?

Scholarship recipients are selected by a scholarship committee composed of educators and community members. Applications are reviewed competitively.

How to apply for the scholarship and submission instructions:

Eligible students **must complete: 1) the attached application form; 2) two letters of recommendation (from counselor and/or others not related to the applicant) that is knowledgeable about your academic capabilities, skills, community service and volunteerism activities; 3) an essay; 4) transcript (unofficial is acceptable); and 5) student aid report (SAR).** Final award recipients must provide evidence of enrollment in the academic institution to which funds will be paid on behalf of the recipient.

Submit the application packet to:
Denisha Shackelford
Inland Empire Community Foundation
3700 Sixth Street, Suite 200, Riverside, CA 92501
Or dshackelford@iegives.org

For more information about the scholarship, contact Denisha Shackelford at dshackelford@iegives.org

V. COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

List all community activities in which you have participated in without pay during the past four (4) years (e.g. Scouts, Church involvement, Volunteer work, etc.)

Activity	Years of Participation	Special Awards, Honors	Activity	Years of Participation	Special Awards, Honors

VI. FINANCIAL NEED:

Please describe any financial needs, unusual family and/or personal circumstances.

VII. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Have you applied for and/or received other scholarships? Yes _____ No _____

Name of Scholarship	Amount Received
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____

Did you apply for Financial Aid (FAFSA)? Yes _____ No _____

If so, what is your EFC (Estimated Family Contribution) as determined by the Student Aid Report (SAR)?

Please provide a copy of the page from the SAR that indicates your EFC.

VIII. COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY

The top three, accredited colleges/universities, I have applied to for the upcoming Term are:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

IX. ESSAY:

Write an essay (maximum 500 words) on why this scholarship is important to you; the person you are now and the person you wish to be in the future; your educational and vocational goals; what giving back to the community means to you.

X. LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION:

Please attach two (2), one page, letters of recommendation from people who are knowledgeable about your academic capabilities, skills, community service and volunteerism activities.

XI. APPLICANT CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the contents of this application will be shared with the appropriate Review/ Approval Committees. If I am awarded a scholarship, information about me may be released for publicity purposes.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date _____

Application Package Checklist

- Scholarship Application Form
- Transcript
- Essay (maximum 500 words). *Include name on top of essay page*
- Two (2) letters of recommendation
- Student Aid Report (SAR) that you received from the U.S. Department of Education (EFC-page only)