2023 APCF Bank Scholarships Application

Please read the following information before proceeding to the application.

**Deadline: 11:59 PM PDT – Monday, April 3, 2023**

This form is to apply for the following scholarship programs:

- Bank of the Sierra
- Cathay Bank Foundation
- First General Bank
- Mega Bank
- Preferred Bank
- Royal Business Bank
- State Bank of India (California)

(Depending on each program's criteria, you may be eligible for more than one program – please visit each specific scholarships page for more details on eligibility)

www.apcf.org/currently-open-student-scholarships

**APPLICATION CHECKLIST:**

- Online Application Form
- Online Recommender Form
- High School Transcript

Please send the following link to your recommender:
apcf.wufoo.com/forms/2023-apcf-scholarship-recommender-form

All materials must be RECEIVED by 11:59 PM PDT – Monday, April 3, 2023. Anything received (whether mailed, emailed, or faxed) past that date and time will NOT be considered, regardless of the postmark. Application and recommender forms may only be submitted online – Hard copies will NOT be accepted.

Do not mail additional materials, such as resumes, certificates, or newspaper clippings, unless requested. They will not be reviewed.

Awardees will be notified no later than June 30, 2023. The scholarship award can only be used to cover the cost of attending a university/college. This may include tuition, fees, books, supplies, living expenses, and meals. What is included in the cost of attendance varies by institution.

If you have questions or need additional information, please email scholarships@apcf.org

**NOTE:** You will not be able to save your form and return to it. Do not hit backspace or refresh when filling out this form.

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Select Scholarship(s) *

- Bank of the Sierra Scholarship
- Cathay Bank Foundation Scholarship
- First General Bank Scholarship
I. APPLICANT INFORMATION

First Name: *

Middle Initial:

Maximum of 1 characters.  Currently Used: 0 characters.

Last Name: *

Date of Birth: *

Gender: *

Male
Female

Address of Primary Residence: *

Street Address

Address Line 2

City

Postal / Zip Code

Country

County: *

Phone Number: (Please provide best number to reach you at) *

Please note that if we are unable to reach you in regards to your application, the committee will move on to the next candidate.
We strongly recommend setting up any voicemail boxes and double checking that callers are able to leave messages.

Email: *

Race: *
- American Indian / Alaska Native
- Asian
- Bi/Multi-Racial
- Black or African American
- Hispanic / Latino
- Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander
- Unknown
- White
- Other

Status of Residency: *
- U.S. Citizen
- Permanent Resident of the U.S.
- U.S. National
- Citizen of the Freely Associated States
- Other

Country of Birth: *

How did you hear about the Asian Pacific Community Fund's Scholarship Programs? Check all that apply: *
- Asian Pacific Community Fund Website
- Career Center
- Community Organization
- Newspaper/TV/Radio
- School Counselor/Teacher
- Scholarship Clearinghouse (College Board, Fastweb.com, SuperCollege, etc.)
- Social Media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, etc.)
- Word of Mouth
- Other

If checked "Other," please specify:

II. SECONDARY/HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

High School Name: *

City: *
III. COLLEGE INFORMATION

College/University you plan to attend: *

IV. LEADERSHIP

List the 3 most significant leadership activities you have participated in, starting from the 9th grade ONLY and not before that (e.g. school clubs/organizations, student government, varsity or club sports, and religious or community groups). Describe your roles and responsibilities. Please do not use acronyms.

1. Name of Leadership Organization/Activity: *

   Highest Position Held: *

   Highest Position Start Date: *

     MM / DD / YYYY

   Highest Position End Date: *

     MM / DD / YYYY

   Brief Description of Activity: *
2. Name of Leadership Organization/Activity: *

Highest Position Held: *

Highest Position Start Date: *

Highest Position End Date: *

Brief Description of Activity: *

3. Name of Leadership Organization/Activity: *

Highest Position Held: *

Highest Position Start Date: *

Highest Position End Date: *
LEADERSHIP ADVISOR
Please provide the first and last name, email, and phone number of one advisor from any of the leadership activities mentioned above.

Advisor First Name: *

Advisor Last Name: *

Advisor Email: *

Advisor Phone Number: *

What organization is this advisor associated with? *

V. COMMUNITY SERVICE
List the 3 most significant community service activities you have participated in, starting from the 9th grade ONLY and not before that (e.g. food banks, homeless shelters, city events, club-organized community service). Describe your roles and responsibilities. Please do not use acronyms.

1. Name of Volunteer Organization/Activity: *

Total Number of Community Service Hours for this Organization: *

Brief Description of Activity: *
2. Name of Volunteer Organization/Activity: *

Total Number of Community Service Hours for this Organization: *

Brief Description of Activity: *

3. Name of Volunteer Organization/Activity: *

Total Number of Community Service Hours for this Organization: *

Brief Description of Activity: *

COMMUNITY SERVICE ADVISOR/COUNSELOR

Please provide the first and last name, email, and phone number of one advisor or counselor from above.

Advisor First Name: *
VI. WORK EXPERIENCE (OPTIONAL)
List your most recent work experience since the 9th grade ONLY (e.g. tutor, office worker, sales representative, cashier, etc.)

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VII. FAMILY’S FINANCIAL INFORMATION
If awarded the scholarship, candidates are required to submit either a 2021 or 2022 tax return.

Are you financially independent from your parent(s)/guardian(s)? *
- Yes
- No

What is the 2021 or 2022 adjusted gross income for your household? (i.e. $20,000) Please use number from your household’s tax return. *

Number of family members living in your household:
(Please use number listed on your household’s tax return) *

VIII. FAMILY’S EDUCATION INFORMATION
This data is for informational purposes only and will not be used as criteria during the selection process.
Are you the first in your family to attend college? *
- Yes
- No

Do you have any siblings that currently attend/did attend college? *
- Yes
- No

What is the highest level of education completed by your
Mother/Guardian? *
- No formal schooling
- Less than high school
- High school degree
- Associate's degree
- Bachelor's degree
- Graduate/professional degree
- Unknown

In what country was the highest level of education completed by your
Mother/Guardian? *

What is the highest level of education completed by your
Father/Guardian? *
- No formal schooling
- Less than high school
- High school degree
- Associate's degree
- Bachelor's degree
- Graduate/professional degree
- Unknown

In what country was the highest level of education completed by your
Father/Guardian? *

IX. ESSAYS

1. In 500 words or less, please explain why you chose your area of study and what you hope to accomplish in your future career. *
X. TRANSCRIPT

You must submit a copy of your most recent high school transcript that includes the first quarter/semester of your freshman year through the first quarter/semester of your senior year with your application. Minimum unweighted cumulative GPA is 2.5. GPA requirement will vary by scholarship program.

You can upload a copy electronically. Electronic files must be uploaded as a PDF. File names should be formatted as follows: "[First Name] [Last Name] Transcript.pdf"

For example, a PDF file of Anna Lee's transcript should be named: "Anna Lee Transcript.pdf"

Upload Your Transcript *

Choose File
No file chosen

Please include your cumulative unweighted GPA here: *

XI. CERTIFICATION

I certify that to the best of my knowledge, information on this application is complete and accurate. I understand that any falsification of any information may cause my disqualification from the scholarship selection or revocation if a scholarship has been granted, at the Asian Pacific Community Fund’s sole discretion. I understand it is my responsibility to make sure this application is complete and submitted by the deadline listed on the application. Furthermore, I understand that if my application is not complete, or if I or any Recommender does not submit my application by the deadline, I may be disqualified from the scholarship competition and may not be considered for a scholarship. This application, upon receipt, becomes the property of the Asian Pacific Community Fund, and I understand and agree that the Asian Pacific Community Fund may use for any purpose and disclose in any medium determined by the Asian Pacific Community Fund in its sole discretion.
I hereby give my consent to the Asian Pacific Community Fund to disclose information on my application (including personally identifiable information) to the sponsor of the scholarships and to contact me at any time regarding the scholarship.

To comply with the provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, I hereby give permission for school officials to release my secondary school record and other requested information, if necessary.

**Applicant Signature:**
*(Typing your name in the box constitutes your signature.)*