



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2020-21

Our Purpose: Scholarships funded under this program must be in accordance with our mission. *The mission of Ann Arbor Farm & Garden is to promote and support local gardens, the benefits of horticulture, and community beautification through grant and scholarship awards, related educational programs, and service opportunities.*

Eligibility/ Funding Amounts: You must be a student in a legitimate program at an accredited educational institution. Funding amounts depend on the success of the annual Ann Arbor Garden Walk™ and may range from \$500 to \$1500.

NOTE: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Garden Walk was not held in June 2020, significantly reducing the funds available for scholarships this year.

Application Submission, Timelines and Deadlines: All scholarship applications must be signed by a contact person in the institution's Financial Aid office. Applications without a legitimate institutional signature will not be accepted.

All scholarship applications must be submitted in digital form in one single document to AAFG.Foundation@gmail.com. Photographs, recommendation letters, or any other materials MUST NOT be sent as separate attachments to the application. Video must be 25MB or less and submitted by e-mail or as an e-mail link to a website such as YouTube.

Application Deadline: November 16, 2020 **Award Notification:** February 2021

Questions: Contact AAFG.Foundation@gmail.com.



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Please answer all questions in order. You may copy and paste questions to another sheet or add additional space and pages and pictures at the end. Submit as a single PDF or word document. Additional attachments will not be considered.

Date of Submission: _____

Name of Applicant: _____

Address: _____ **City/Zip** _____

Signature _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Name of Educational Institution: _____

Degree/Program being pursued: _____

Amount requested: \$ _____

Check payable to (institution name): _____

Contact information for your institution's Financial Aid Office:

Contact Name (printed): _____

Contact Name (signature): _____

Mailing address: _____

Phone number or E-mail: _____

Please answer the following and submit everything in a single PDF:

- 1) Outline your educational plan, providing clearly defined objectives.
- 2) Explain how and when the scholarship monies would be used.
- 3) Provide a personal statement describing your interests and abilities, and what led you to your preferred field of study.
- 4) Provide two letters of recommendation from people who know you (not relatives).
- 5) Explain what support resources you will use to meet your objectives.

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2020-21 EVALUATION WORKSHEET

Ann Arbor Farm & Garden's Foundation Committee will review applications with the following criteria in mind.

Part 1: Who can apply?

- The applicant must be enrolled in a legitimate course of study having to do with horticultural, agricultural, or environmental fields, or horticultural therapy, at an accredited educational institution.
- Scholarship monies must be used to support education in horticultural, agricultural, or environmental fields, or horticultural therapy education.

Part 2: What is required in the application?

- Signature from institution's Financial Aid office
- Outline your educational plan, providing clearly defined objectives.
- Provide a personal statement describing your interests and abilities, and what led you to your preferred field of study.
- Explain how and when the scholarship monies would be used.
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Part 3: Award Amount

- Description of amount requested and spending timeline.
- Payment information, including institution name and contact information. If a scholarship is awarded, AAF&G will pay the institution directly.

Part 4: Evaluation

- Description of plan for follow-up reporting to AAF&G, either in a written report or in a presentation at one of our meetings. Accompanying photographs are welcome.
- Report should include description of what was learned, how the scholarship advanced the student's education, future plans.

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