



Waheguru Ji Ka Khalsa, Waheguru Ji Ki Fateh!

We hope this finds you in Chardi Kala!

It's that time of year again! The Ujjalddidar Singh Memorial Foundation is proud to announce the annual scholarship giveaway. Scholarships will be awarded to qualifying high school seniors who have plans to pursue a higher education, vocational program or other educational opportunities after graduation. To be considered for a scholarship you must be in the graduating class of 2024. Please go to www.usmf.org and fill out an online application and provide your supporting documents. In addition to the application, this year we are incorporating an essay.

The scholarship competition became a part of Sikh Children's Day in the year 2000 to encourage high school seniors to pursue their goals for a higher education. To date we've awarded over \$90,000 in scholarships to youth headed for college, university, or trade school or wherever their post high school journey takes them.

We want you to apply for this scholarship regardless of what school you'll be attending, what your future plans are or what your GPA is. Our hope is that you use this scholarship to help you with your education and when you are able, that you pay it forward and help others in the future.

Use the form below and email or fill out application online at www.ujjal.org

Scholarship deadline will be Sunday July 21st , with the winners announced by Saturday July 27th.

Email, call or text for any questions.

Thank you and good luck!

www.ujjal.org Info@ujjal.org 714-904-3837



Thank you for considering applying for the USMF scholarship.

To qualify for the \$500.00 scholarship, you must meet the following criteria:

- ❖ Already applied to college or university, trade school, etc, have been accepted, and starting fall of 2024-please provide your letter of acceptance.
- ❖ Be a person of good character and have a commitment to serving others and the community.
- ❖ Submit an essay explaining your future plans and how you would pay it forward. What would you do when you are capable, to help others in need? Explain why you should be the recipient of this scholarship.
- ❖ Submit an essay with this prompt:
Recently we all celebrated Vaisakhi, the day that is known among Sikhs around the world as the “birth of the Khalsa”. This is the day in the year 1699 Guru Gobind Singh Ji blessed his Sangat with the Five Kakkars at the ceremony called Amrit Sanchar as well as received the same blessing himself from the Sangat hence being known as “Aape Gur Chela .” Please write in your own words the power and effect of what transpired that day in 1699. Please cite examples of events in Sikh history that followed this ceremony which led to prove the strength of Amrit.
- ❖ Provide at least two letters of recommendation, preferably from mentor, teacher, employer, etc.
- ❖ Go to www.ujjal.org and submit an application online or fill application below and email to info@ujjal.org. Please email all your supporting documents.
- ❖ We will notify you by email and/or post on website and either mail your check or deposit to your/parent’s account using mobile payment service like Venmo, Zelle, etc.
- ❖ Scholarship deadline is Sunday, July 21, 2024.
- ❖ All High School seniors are encouraged to apply regardless of GPA, major, college/career choice.
- ❖ Please don’t hesitate to reach out for any questions.
- ❖ Good Luck !

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Scholarship Application

1. Last:

2. First Name:

3. Middle Name:

4. Date of Birth:

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5. Mailing Address: Street No:

City:

State/Zip:

6. Home Phone Number:

7. Email Address:

8. Parent/Guardian's Name:

9. Name of High School:

10. Date of High School Graduation:

12. High School Grade Point Average (Optional-please provide unofficial transcript)

13. Possible area(s) of academic concentration/major:

14. Possible career or professional plans:

15. Name of College/University you have been accepted to: (Please submit a copy of your letter of acceptance)

16. What is your degree objective? :

17. Please list any volunteer work, or any community service work that you have done. Please include name of organization, telephone number, contact person, and dates and nature of your services: (if you need extra space, please use an additional piece of paper and attach with your application)

18. Please list extracurricular activities you have been involved in. Please include dates. (if you need extra space, please use an additional piece of paper and attach it with your application)

19. Please give the full name, address, and position of your recommenders (minimum 2):

*Last Name: First Name:

Position/Title: Phone Number:

Institute/Organization:

Address: Street Number

City/State/Zip:

*Last Name: First Name:
Position/Title: Phone Number:
Institute/Organization:
Address: Street Number:
City/State/Zip:

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20. Submit an essay explaining your future plans and how you would pay it forward. What would you do when you are capable, to help others in need? Explain why you should be the recipient of this scholarship.

21. Submit an essay with this prompt:

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**For non Sikhs applying for the scholarship, you may elaborate on an event that was a pivotal point in your faith, belief system. Write in your own words the power and effect of what transpired during that event and cite examples from history that prove the strength of that event.*