



VCCF Scholarship Guidelines 2023-2024

In addition to other terms/conditions, the number and amount of all VCCF scholarship awards is contingent on availability of funding. Scholarship awards are for the Fall 2024 – Summer 2025 Term and recipients must be enrolled during these terms to receive the awards.

•**Auto-Match Opportunities:** After submitting the general application, applicants will be automatically matched to these specific scholarship opportunities if they qualify based on the answers provided in the general application. NO FURTHER ACTION IS REQUIRED TO APPLY FOR AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITIES.

•**Apply-To Opportunities:** Applicants can view the scholarship guidelines to determine if they qualify for any of the apply to scholarships. These scholarships REQUIRE an additional essay. Access to these opportunities will appear once you have submitted the general application.

| Scholarship Fund Name | Award Amount | Type | Description |
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| 25TH Anniversary Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Apply To | <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who are pursuing graduate-level studies (master's level program or higher) at an accredited non-profit public or private college or university. Applicants must intend to return to (or remain in) Ventura County to work following completion of graduate-level studies. While not required, demonstration of financial need is preferred. Prior recipients may reapply for consideration in successive years.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 500 - 700 words please tell us why are you a good candidate to receive a scholarship from Ventura County Community Foundation? What do you plan to do to help in building the community here in Ventura County following completion of your studies?</p> |
| iAdelante! 2 Scholarship Fund | \$10,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to Latino/Latina graduates of any high school in Ventura County who intend to enroll or are enrolled in a graduate program at the Master's level.</p> <p>Special Requirements: Priority in the selection process will be given to students who have previously received an iAdelante! Scholarship for undergraduate studies. Preference in the selection process will be given to applicants who are the first in their family to attend college. Recipients may reapply for up to 3 years if all other eligibility requirements are met. Applicants must demonstrate financial need. Applicants must have a minimum 2.75 unweighted GPA.</p> |
| iAdelante! 3 Scholarship Fund | \$10,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major/Area of Study: Nurse Practitioner or Physician's Assistant</p> <p>Awarded to applicants who have graduated from a Ventura County high school, have completed a Bachelor of Science in Nursing, are currently a registered nurse, and will enroll in a master's or doctorate program to become a Family Nurse Practitioner, OR applicants who will enroll in a Physician's Assistant program to become a certified Physician's Assistant. Applicants must intend to work in Ventura County upon completion of their studies. Preference given to female applicants. Preference given to Latino/Latina applicants. Preference given to past recipients of the iAdelante! 3 Scholarship.</p> |
| iAdelante! Scholarship Fund | \$2,500 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to graduating Latina/Latino high school seniors from Ventura County who are enrolling in an accredited community college, four-year college, or university, or trade school. Applicants must demonstrate financial need. Preference in the selection process will be given to applicants who are the first member of their family to attend college.</p> <p>Special Requirements: New applicants must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA. Preference will be given to previous recipients who must have a minimum 2.75 GPA.</p> |
| Berenice Barnard Music Education Scholarship Fund (DKG) | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: Music Related Studies</p> <p>Awarded to applicants intending to enroll in music related studies at an accredited community college or four-year college or university. Applicants must live in the Ventura or Ojai area and must have attended a Ventura or Ojai area high school or college. Preference given to previous recipients of the Berenice Barnard Music Education Scholarship Fund.</p> |
| Berenice Barnard Music Specialist Scholarship Fund (PEO) | \$1,000 | Apply To | <p>College Major: Music Teacher or Music Performance</p> <p>Awarded to applicants who live in the city of Ventura or Ojai and are enrolling at an accredited college or university, to further their education as a music teacher or performer in music. Applicants must have a demonstrated interest and involvement in music. References/recommendations should be directly related to the applicant's musical qualifications.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 300 to 500 words, please tell us why you wish to continue your music education?</p> |
| Bethany Anne Cody Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high seniors from Ventura High School (located in the city of Ventura, CA) with a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA who will enroll full time pursuing an undergraduate degree at an accredited four-year college or university. Prior recipients of the Bethany Ann Cody Scholarship Fund with a college GPA of at least 3.0 may reapply for consideration. Applicants must show school activities, work experience, and community service involvement.</p> |

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| Bob and Evie Florence Memorial Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Apply To | <p>College Major: Music (instrumental/performing, composing, music theory)</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors from high schools in Ventura County or Los Angeles County, or high school graduates from a high school in Ventura County or Los Angeles County who intend to enroll or are enrolled in an accredited public or private four-year college or university to major in music. Students must have a demonstrated interest and involvement in music. Applicants must demonstrate financial need.</p> <p>Required Essay: Please tell us how the award will help you continue your music education and explain why you want to continue your education in music.</p> |
| Bob Benedetto Memorial Scholarship Fund for Social Workers | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: Social Work: Bachelor of Social Work (BSW), Master's in Social Work (MSW)</p> <p>Awarded to college undergraduates from Ventura County who are enrolled in a BSW (Bachelor of Social Work) degree program at an accredited college or university, or college seniors from Ventura County or college graduates who are enrolled as a candidate for a master's level in Social Work (an MSW) at an accredited four-year college or university. Applicant must have a minimum unweighted 3.0 GPA and must demonstrate financial need.</p> |
| Bonnie Burra Memorial Teachers Scholarship Fund | \$2,500 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: Teaching with a preference given to those majoring in Primary Education</p> <p>Awarded to applicants who are currently enrolled at an accredited community college OR graduating high school seniors who will enroll at an accredited public or private four-year college or university. Applicants must have a minimum 2.5 unweighted GPA and demonstrate financial need. Recipients of the Bonnie Burra Memorial Teachers Scholarship Fund may not reapply in successive years.</p> |
| Brad Donley Memorial Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>College Major: Mathematics or Physical Science</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors from high schools in Ventura County who intend to enroll in an accredited community college or public or private accredited four-year college or university to major in math or the physical sciences. Applicants must demonstrate community involvement, leadership, and/or work history. Applicants must have a minimum 2.5 unweighted GPA. Applicants must demonstrate financial need.</p> |
| Brandon T. Michel Scholarship Fund | \$500 | Apply To | <p>Trade Education: Electrical Line Worker</p> <p>Awarded to Southern California residents who will be graduating this year from any high school in the counties of Santa Barbara, Ventura, Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Riverside, Orange, or San Diego who will enroll at the Northwest Lineman College (NLC) in Denton, Texas, at the Northwest Lineman College California Campus in Oroville, California, or at the Northwest Lineman College Idaho Campus in Meridian, Idaho. Applicants must be enrolling in the NLC Electrical Line Worker Program. Applicants must have a minimum 2.5 unweighted GPA and demonstrate financial need.</p> <p>Required Essay Topic: In 300 to 500 words, please tell us who or what sparked your interest in becoming a line worker?</p> |
| Brian Patrick Gialketsis Memorial Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Apply To | <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who are graduating high school seniors who will enroll or are enrolled at an accredited community college; vocational, trade, or technical school; or a public or private four-year college or university. Preference in the selection process will be given to LGBTQ applicants and applicants of color. Applicants must demonstrate financial need.</p> <p>Required Essay: Brian Patrick Gialketsis was a passionate environmental justice advocate who fought hard for equitable access to a healthy environment and the ideals of intersectional environmentalism. In 300 to 500 words, please tell us about your involvement in bettering the environment to ensure equitable access for all.</p> |
| Calavo Scholarship Endowment Fund | \$2,400 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors, high school graduates, or holders of graduate equivalency degrees (GED) who are enrolled or enrolling in an accredited college or university, pursuing an undergraduate degree. Prior recipients may re-apply for consideration in successive years.</p> <p>Special Requirement: Applicant must be a resident of one of Calavo's 12 districts pursuing undergraduate studies at an accredited four-year college or university and be related by blood or marriage to an active member of Calavo Growers of California. Applicants must provide the full name of the Calavo member and identify the relationship with the active member..</p> |
| Carmen Ramirez Legacy Scholarship Fund to Support Public Service | | Apply To | <p>Area of Study: Public Service</p> <p>Awarded to an applicant who has graduated or will graduate from any Ventura County high school who will enroll or are enrolled at an accredited community college, or public or private four-year college or university. Applicants must be from one of the following cities or unincorporated areas of Ventura County: Oxnard, Port Hueneme, Fillmore, Saticoy, Piru, El Rio, or Del Norte. Applicants must have a minimum unweighted GPA of 2.0. Applicants must be pursuing a career in public service. Applicants must demonstrate financial need.</p> <p>Essay required: In 300 to 500 words, please tell us what has inspired you to pursue a career in public service.</p> |
| Charles J. and Kay Schuler Scholarship Fund | \$750 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: Nursing, Medical or Educational Fields</p> <p>Awarded to single parents who are high school seniors eligible for graduation, high school graduates, graduate equivalency degree (GED) holders, or current college students at any level, in Ventura County or from Los Angeles High School intending to enroll as a candidate for, or currently pursuing a degree in, the nursing, medical, or educational fields. Preference given to applicants who demonstrate financial need, but it is not required to apply.</p> |

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| Charles K. and Ola I. Gose Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: Civics, Government, Political Science, Teaching</p> <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who are high school seniors eligible for graduation. Preference given to applicants who are graduating from Channel Islands High School. Applicants must have a minimum of 3.5 unweighted GPA and intend to enroll at an accredited community college or 4-year university and major in Civics, Government, Political Science, or plan to become a teacher.</p> |
| Cheryl Shearer Scholarship Fund | \$1,500 | Apply To | <p>College Major: Teaching (pursuing a degree to become a teacher in English, Math, or Science, including a Teaching Credential or Master's Degree with the goal of becoming a teacher in English, Math or Science)</p> <p>Awarded to a Ventura County resident who is graduating or has graduated from high school, or GED recipient who is enrolling or is enrolled in an accredited community college or four year college or university. Prior recipients may reapply for consideration in successive years. Applicants must have a minimum unweighted GPA of 3.0. Preference given to applicants who recently (within the last two years) returned to higher education after a gap of at least two years.</p> <p>Essay Required: In 750 words or less, please tell us what you hope to achieve with your degree or certificate, and what is the importance of seeking this degree/certificate in your future success? If you are returning to school after a gap, please also explain your decision to go back to school.</p> |
| College Can Help Scholarship Fund | \$2,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors or graduate equivalency degree (GED) recipients enrolling at a Ventura County community college or career/technical education institution in Ventura County. Prior recipients may reapply for consideration in successive years. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA and demonstrate financial need. Preference given to applicants who demonstrate diligence (setting and reaching goals, overcoming barriers).</p> |
| David Dodge Memorial Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: International Relations, Global Studies, and/or International Cooperation</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors from high schools in Ventura County enrolling at an accredited community college, or four-year college or university.</p> <p>Special Requirements: Student must demonstrate financial need.</p> |
| David G. Casavan Memorial Scholarship Fund | \$500 | Apply To | <p>College Major: Engineering, Physical Science, or Mathematics</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors in Ventura County, or past graduates who are enrolled or planning to enroll in a Ventura County Community College or California College or University, or trade or vocational school for a degree in Engineering, Physical Science, or Mathematics. Applicants must have a minimum 2.8 unweighted GPA. Preference given to applicants who have previously received the David G Casavan Memorial Scholarship who are enrolled full time in school.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 1000 words or less, please tell us about your interest in science and/or Engineering.</p> |
| Debby Chang Memorial Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to applicants who are attending or have attended the Thousand Oaks Chinese School or California Lutheran University. Minimum 3.5 unweighted GPA required. Applicants must demonstrate financial need.</p> |
| Delta Kappa Gamma Recruitment Grant Fund | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: Teaching</p> <p>Awarded to a female resident of Ventura County who is currently enrolled in a community college or a four-year college/university as a sophomore (rising junior), junior (rising senior), or senior (rising graduate level), or graduate student enrolling/enrolled in a credential program. A current sophomore at a community college must be transferring to an accredited 4-year college/university to be eligible. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA and demonstrate financial need.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 500 to 700 words please describe why you want to become a teacher.</p> |
| Destino Scholarship Fund | \$2,500 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to Latino/Latina applicants who will graduate or have graduated from high schools in Ventura County and who are enrolled or plan to enroll full-time in an accredited four-year college or university or 2-year community college in the state of California. Priority given to those enrolled/enrolling at CSU Channel Islands, Moorpark College, Oxnard College, or Ventura College. Preference is given to students who are first generation college students.</p> <p>Special Requirements: Applicants must have a have an unweighted GPA of between 2.0 and 3.0 and must demonstrate financial need.</p> |
| Dr. Peter David Rogalsky and Virginia Rogalsky Scholarship Fund | \$1,250 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major/Area of Study: Teaching</p> <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who have graduated from any high school in Ventura County and are enrolled or will enroll in an accredited public four-year college or university in the state of California pursuing an undergraduate degree (UC or CSU) in the teaching profession. Preference given to applicants majoring in Elementary Education. Applicants must demonstrate financial need.</p> |

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| Dr. Ralph B. Busch, Jr. Memorial Medical Education Fund | \$5,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: Medical Degree</p> <p>Awarded to college seniors or college graduates who graduated from a public or private high school in Ventura County intending to enroll or who are enrolled as a candidate for a medical degree at an accredited college or university in the United States. Applicants must have a 3.0 or higher GPA and demonstrate financial need. Preference given to past recipients of the Dr. Ralph B. Busch, Jr. Memorial Education Fund Scholarship.</p> |
| Dr. Richard A. Grossman College Scholarship Fund | \$2,500 | Apply To | <p>Awarded to children of current employees or sworn deputies in good standing with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office. Applicants must be graduating high school seniors or GED recipients enrolling at a community college, an accredited public or private four-year college or university, or an accredited career/technical education institution. Preference in the selection process will be given to applicants who were prior recipients of the Dr. Richard A. Grossman College Scholarship. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 GPA.</p> <p>Special Requirements: Students must identify the full name of the parent or guardian who is an employee or sworn deputy in good standing of the Ventura County Sheriff's Office.</p> <p>Essay Required: In 300-500 words please tell us how being the son or daughter of a VCSO deputy or employee has influenced you as a college bound or a college student.</p> |
| Edna Wirt Woods and Ruth Nagel Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Area of Study: Health-Related field of service, including and without limitations to hearing and speech disorders.</p> <p>Awarded to a female resident of the city of Ventura who will graduate or has graduated from a high school in the city of Ventura and who will enroll or is enrolled at an accredited community college or four-year college/university as a candidate for a degree or certification in a health-related field of service, including and without limitations to hearing and speech disorders. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA, and demonstrate financial need. Prior recipients may reapply for consideration in successive years.</p> |
| Eleanor Tillquist Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Area Of Study: Medical Field</p> <p>Awarded to residents of the city of Ventura who are currently enrolled in Ventura College or California State University, Channel Islands (CSUCI) in a medical program OR residents of the city of Ventura who are transferring from Ventura College or CSUCI to a medical program at a public four-year college or university in California. Preference in the selection process will be given to female applicants. Students must have a minimum 3.0 GPA. Applicants must demonstrate financial need and show significant community service.</p> |
| Finch Family Scholarship Fund | \$4,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to a child of an employee or contractor working for Finch Ranches or high school seniors or college students who are resident of the town of Piru. Applicants must be enrolled or enrolling at an accredited college or university, community college, or trade school. New applicants must have a minimum 3.2 unweighted GPA. Prior recipients may reapply for consideration in successive years and must have a minimum 2.0 GPA. Applicants must demonstrate financial need.</p> |
| Finck Family Charitable Scholarship Fund | \$500 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Area of Study: Education, Health, or the Arts</p> <p>Awarded to applicants who will be entering their sophomore, junior, or senior year of college or applicants who are attending a certified technical or vocational school. No graduating high school seniors are eligible. Applicants must be enrolled as a candidate for a degree or a certificate in a helping profession (i.e., education, health) or the arts. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 GPA and must demonstrate financial need.</p> |
| Frances and Richard Bohn Music Scholarship Fund | \$1,500 | Apply To | <p>College Major: Music, Music Related Area (Performance, Composition, Education to be a music teacher)</p> <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who have graduated or are graduating high school seniors who are enrolled or will enroll at a community college, or applicants enrolled at any accredited college, university, or art institute. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA.</p> <p>Special Requirements: Preference in the selection process will be given to applicants who demonstrate leadership with fellow music students through encouragement, tutoring, and other supportive activities.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 500 to 700 words, please share how will this award help you continue your music education. Why do you want to continue to study music? What are your plans for the future?.</p> |
| Frank Kamino Memorial Scholarship Fund | \$750 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who are graduating or have graduated from a high school in Ventura County who will enroll or are enrolled at an accredited community college, or a vocational, trade or technical school, or a public or private four-year college or university. Applicants must have an unweighted GPA between 2.8 and 3.2 and must be a first-generation college student. Prior recipients may reapply for consideration in successive years. Preference given to applicants with divorced or widowed parents or who grew up in a single parent home. Preference given to applicants who demonstrate financial need.</p> |

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| Gary W. Chism Memorial Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: Business or Medical Research</p> <p>Awarded to high school or community college students eligible for graduation from schools in Ventura County. Applicants must intend to enroll in an accredited four-year college or university. Student must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA.</p> |
| George Tillquist Engineering Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Apply To | <p>College Major: Engineering</p> <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who have previously graduated from a Ventura County high school and have completed two years of college. Applicants must be either currently enrolled as a sophomore at any California college or university or be transferring from a California community college as an incoming junior to a four-year California college or university. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 GPA and demonstrate financial need. Preference given to applicants majoring in Chemical Engineering.</p> <p>Essay Required: In 500 - 700 words, tell us why you are pursuing a degree in engineering and explain what you hope to achieve when you become an engineer.</p> |
| GFWC Oak View Women's Club/Jack & Lanie Springer Scholarship | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors from Ojai Valley (including the communities of Casitas Springs, Foster Park, Oak View, Mira Monte, Meiners Oaks, Ojai, and Upper Ojai) who will be enrolling at an accredited community college, accredited 4-year college or university, or a vocational/trade school OR applicants who demonstrate a relationship to the Oak View Women's Club who will be enrolling at an accredited community college, accredited 4-year college or university, or vocational trade/technical school. Applicants must demonstrate financial need. Students must have an unweighted GPA minimum of 2.5.</p> |
| Gould Family Scholarship Fund | \$2,500 | Apply To | <p>Major: Preference in the selection process given to applicants majoring in Environmental Science, Earth Science, Natural Science, or Conservation.</p> <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who will be college sophomores, juniors, or seniors in the next academic year and will continue their education at any college or university in Ventura County. Preference in the selection process given to applicants who demonstrate civic engagement through community volunteerism and/or internships. Preference in the selection process given to applicants majoring in Environmental Science, Earth Science, Natural Science, or Conservation.</p> <p>Required essay: In 500 to 700 words, please tell us about your role in community activism and/or interest in the environment "what prompted your volunteer activities; what have you been doing to make a difference in your community, or why you are interested in the environment and conservation. If you have held an internship, please discuss briefly what you have learned and what you will take with you as you continue your education.</p> |
| Helen Mathilda Yunker Music Scholarship Endowment Fund | \$1,500 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: Music</p> <p>Awarded to graduating seniors from high schools in the city of Ventura or students attending Ventura College who will enroll or are enrolled as a candidate for a music degree at an accredited college or university. Applicants must demonstrate financial need. Prior recipients may reapply for consideration in successive years.</p> |
| Irene E. Hofer STEM Scholarship Fund | \$525 | Apply To | <p>College Major/Area of Study: STEM related field (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math)</p> <p>Awarded to applicants who will be graduating or have graduated from a high school in Ventura County. Applicants must be enrolling in a 4-year university or transferring from a community college to a four-year university. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA. Preference in the selection process will be given to applicants who are the first in their family to attend college.</p> <p>Essay Required: In 300-500 words please discuss how your interest in the sciences developed (e.g., through a favorite teacher or life experience) and why you think a STEM major is the right fit for you.</p> |
| Iris and Roger (Spike) Wilkins Scholarship Fund | \$2,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: Nursing (Registered Nurse)</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors or graduates of public or private high schools in Ventura County. Applicants must demonstrate financial need. Applicants must intend to enroll or be enrolled in a public college, university, or community college in the State of California. Applicants must be pursuing a degree to become a Registered Nurse.</p> |
| J. Roger Myers Scholarship Fund | \$5,000 | Apply To | <p>College Major: Juris Doctorate (law school)</p> <p>Awarded to residents of Ventura County who are enrolled at any law school in the United States. Applicants must intend to return and practice law in Ventura County. Preference in the selection process will be given to military veterans or those currently serving in the military.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 300-500 words, please explain how you intend to use your law degree to benefit the local legal community in Ventura County.</p> |

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| James C. Basile Scholarship Fund | Varies: \$7500 for 4-year colleges; \$4000 for 2-year colleges | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors or graduates of public or private high schools in Ventura County who intend to enroll or who are enrolled in public colleges, universities, and junior or community colleges in the State of California. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA. Applicants must demonstrate financial need. Prior recipients may reapply for consideration in successive years.</p> <p>Preference: Given to graduating seniors or graduates from the cities of Simi Valley and Moorpark</p> <p>Preference: Given to applicants who have lost one or both parents (natural or adoptive) or one or both parents have been disabled while actively engaged in law enforcement service or while actively engaged in public service as a fire fighter</p> <p>Preference: Given to applicants that are physically or visually impaired or otherwise disabled.</p> |
| James F. Chamberlain Scholarship Fund | \$5,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics)</p> <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who have graduated from any high school in Ventura County and who are enrolled in an accredited college or university, pursuing an undergraduate degree in Science, Technology, Engineering, or mathematics (STEM). Applicants must have minimum unweighted 2.5 GPA and demonstrate financial need.</p> |
| Jamie Clancy Memorial Scholarship Fund | \$2,500 | Apply To | <p>College Major: English, Literature, Education, or a Teaching Credential</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors from any public high school in Oxnard, or applicants who have graduated from a public high school in Oxnard, who will be enrolling or are enrolled in a public education institution in the State of California, including community colleges and 4-year universities. Applicants must have a minimum 2.7 unweighted GPA and demonstrate financial need. Applicant must be a first-generation college student and be bilingual.</p> <p>Essay Requirement: In 300-500 words please explain your interests and experiences and how bilingualism has impacted your life.</p> |
| Jan Heyne Memorial Scholarship Fund | \$5,000 | Apply To | <p>College Major: Preference given to applicants who are majoring in the arts, humanities, or physical or natural science</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors in Ventura County who are enrolling full-time in a 4-year accredited college or university, OR Ventura County community college applicants who are transferring to a four-year accredited college or university for an undergraduate degree. Applicants must have a minimum 3.5 unweighted GPA and demonstrate financial need. Applicants may reapply in successive years.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 700 words or less, please tell us about your college objectives and what you hope to achieve after completing your degree?</p> |
| Jean Weber Memorial Scholarship Fund | \$2,000 | Apply To | <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors from any high school in Ventura County intending to enroll full time at an accredited four-year college or university. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA. Applicant's school and community activities must demonstrate the applicant's commitment to both goals of safe schools and encouraging good citizenship. Letters of recommendations should address the applicant's commitment to safe schools and encouragement of good citizenship.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 1000 words or less, please tell us how you contribute to promoting safe schools and how you encourage good citizenship.</p> |
| Jerry E. Lorenz Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to high school seniors who are residents of Ventura County (for a minimum of 12 continuous months immediately preceding the application for scholarship) or community college students transferring to a four-year college. Applicants must demonstrate financial need and have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA.</p> |
| John and Agnes McFarlane Scholarship Fund | Varies: \$2500 for community college enrollees; \$5000 for 4-year college enrollees | Apply To | <p>College Major/Area of Study: Degree or certification in an occupation related to a life of public service, including majors in healthcare, political science, journalism, education, and social services.</p> <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who have graduated from or will graduate from any high school in Ventura County, and will enroll or are enrolled at a career or technical training institute, accredited community college, or a college/university in the state of California. Applicants must demonstrate financial need. Preference will be given to applicants who show promise for a career in public service as evidenced by participation in school or community activities and information provided in the essay. Prior recipients may re-apply for consideration in successive years.</p> <p>GPA requirements: Graduating high school seniors must have a minimum unweighted GPA of 3.5, current college students must have a minimum GPA of 3.0, and past recipients of the John and Agnes McFarlane Scholarship Fund must have a minimum GPA of 2.75.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 750 words or less, please share how you intend to pursue a life of public service, dedicated to "the dissemination of knowledge and to the public welfare and how your life and values reflect "an abiding faith in American democracy, sound belief in the system of free enterprise, high regard for human rights and freedoms of man and a sincere concern for the welfare of mankind."</p> |
| Joyce M. Kennedy Ph.D. Scholarship Fund | \$1,500 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who are graduating high school seniors, high school graduates, or holders of graduate equivalency degrees (GED) who intend to enroll or are enrolled at California State University, Channel Islands (CSUCI). Applicants must have a minimum 2.5 GPA. Prior recipients may reapply for consideration in successive years.</p> |

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| Katherine M. Wakelee Scholarship Fund | \$2,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: Biochemistry, Biological Sciences, Biology, Botany/Plant Biology, Genetics, Ecology, Environmental Studies, Evolution, Molecular Biology, Microbiology, Physiology, Zoology, Ornithology</p> <p>Awarded to female Ventura County resident who is a high school graduating senior from any high school in Ventura County, or a Ventura County community college student transferring to a four-year college or university. Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 GPA and demonstrate financial need. Preference in the selection process will be given to students who are first generation college students. Preference given to past recipients of the Katherine Wakelee Memorial Scholarship.</p> |
| Kathleen Goddard Scholarship Fund | \$500 | Apply To | <p>College Major: Education (focus on teaching in the classroom); Teaching Credential</p> <p>Awarded to Latino/Latina high school graduates or graduating high school seniors from Ventura County enrolling in a community college, four-year college/university, or vocational/trade/technical school. Preference in the selection process will be given to applicants who are first in their family to attend college. Applicants must demonstrate financial need. Applicants must show school and community activity involvement.</p> <p>Essay Required: In 300-500 words, please tell us what grade level you would like to teach, and what is your motivation to pursue a career in the classroom.</p> |
| Keeper of the Dream Scholarship Fund | \$1,500 | Apply To | <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who are currently enrolled in college as sophomores, juniors, or seniors. Applicants must be attending full-time at an approved vocational school, community college, or 4-year college or university in pursuit of an undergraduate degree or certificate of completion. Financial aid may be considered but is not required. Prior recipients may reapply for consideration in successive years. Applicants must have a minimum 2.0 GPA. Applicants must demonstrate perseverance in the face of adversity.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 500-700 words, please tell us about a time when you demonstrated one of VCCF's core values (Trust, Transparency, Compassion, Equity, Tenacity, Excellence, or Authentic Connection)</p> |
| Ken Packard Memorial Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who are graduating high school seniors intending to enroll in an accredited four-year college or university. Applicants must have a minimum unweighted GPA of 3.50. Preference in the selection process will be given to female applicants who play/played a varsity sport in high school. Applicants must demonstrate participation in community and school activities.</p> |
| Kent Weigel Math Scholarship Endowment Fund | \$500 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: Mathematics, Physical Science, Natural Science</p> <p>Awarded to high school seniors eligible for graduation from any high school in Ventura County who will enroll in an accredited four-year college or university. Applicants must demonstrate financial need and have a minimum of a 3.0 unweighted GPA.</p> |
| Laney Zambri Memorial Scholarship Fund | \$5,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Area of Study: Health Sciences (pursuing a career as a nurse, physician, physical therapist, paramedic, etc.)</p> <p>Awarded to graduating Adolfo Camarillo High School seniors who will enroll at an accredited community college, or a vocational, trade, or technical school, or a public or private four-year college or university. Applicants must have an unweighted GPA of 3.0 or higher.</p> |
| Laura Duval Toomey Saticoy Poinsettia Club Scholarship Fund | \$1,500 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school senior or community college students from Saticoy, Ventura, Santa Paula, Somis, Camarillo, or Fillmore who will enroll at an accredited four-year college or university. Applicants must demonstrate a relationship to the Saticoy Poinsettia Club. Applicants must have an unweighted GPA of 3.5 or higher. Preference given to past recipient of the Laura Duval Toomey Saticoy Poinsettia Club Scholarship who has a GPA of 3.0 or higher and is a full time college student.</p> |
| Leo and Rita Vanoni Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Apply To | <p>College Major: Agriculture</p> <p>Awarded to a Ventura County resident who is a graduating high school senior from any Ventura County high school and who is enrolling full time at an accredited four-year college or university to major in agriculture, or a Ventura County community college student transferring to an accredited four-year college or university to study agriculture. Applicants must have a minimum 2.75 unweighted GPA. Prior recipients may reapply for consideration in successive years. Applicant's activities should reflect a commitment to family, school, and/or community service. Financial need may be considered but is not a preference.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 1000 words or less, tell us why you are pursuing a career in agriculture.</p> |
| Limoneira Scholarship Fund | 1000 | Apply To | <p>Awarded to residents of Santa Paula or Oxnard who work in the agricultural industry or whose parent or legal guardian work in the agricultural industry. Applicants must be graduating high school seniors or past graduates who will enroll or are enrolled at an accredited community college, college or university, or trade school. Applicant must have a minimum 2.5 unweighted GPA.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 500 to 700 words, please explain the impact of agriculture in the pursuit of your education.</p> |

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| Lisa Alonzo Memorial Scholarship | \$500 | Apply To | <p>Awarded to Latino/Latina applicants who have graduated from Adolfo Camarillo High School who will be enrolling at an accredited community college, four-year college or university, trade school, or graduate program. Applicants must have a minimum 2.5 unweighted GPA. Preference will be given to applicants who are the first in their family to attend college or trade school.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 300 to 500 words, write a short biography including information about your family, work experience, community involvement, hobbies, and what you plan to do in the future.</p> |
| Marcia Wakelee Memorial Scholarship Fund | \$2,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Majors: Environmental Science, Ecology, Environmental Studies, Sustainability</p> <p>Awarded to a Ventura County resident who is graduating from any Ventura County high school, and who will enroll in an accredited four-year college or university. Applicants must be majoring in Environmental Science, Ecology, Environmental Studies, or Sustainability. Minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA required. Applicants must demonstrate financial need. Preference given to applicants who are first generation college students. Preference given to past recipients of the Marcia Wakelee Memorial Scholarship Fund.</p> |
| Margaret A. Tompkins Oxnard Monday Club Scholarship Fund | \$1,500 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to a female high school graduates who are residents of Oxnard, California with a minimum unweighted GPA of 3.5. Preference given to applicants intending to enroll or currently enrolled as a candidate for a business or science degree at an accredited community college, college, or university. Applicants must show school and community involvement.</p> |
| Mary R & James R Galbraith Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors from high schools in Ventura County enrolling full time (12 units or more) as a candidate for a degree at an accredited community college, college, or university. Applicant must demonstrate financial need and have a minimum unweighted GPA of 3.0.</p> |
| Merfeld Family Foundation Scholarship Fund | \$2,500 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors or applicants attending an accredited community college or 4-year public or private college/university, with a preference for applicants from Iowa and counties in Southern California (Ventura, Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, San Diego, Imperial, Riverside, San Bernardino). Preference in the selection process will be for applicants who have a minimum 2.75 unweighted GPA. Preference given to applicants who demonstrate financial need. Limit of one award per family.</p> <p>Special Requirements: Applicants must be from a family whose parent or guardian has been diagnosed with ALS. Applicants must include documentation of parent/guardian ALS diagnosis consisting of a letter from a certified ALS Center or Clinic.</p> |
| Michael A. DiRaimondo Foundation | \$11,000 | Apply To | <p>Major: Paramedic Training Certification</p> <p>Awarded to California residents, with a preference in the selection process for Ventura County residents, who hold an Emergency Medical Training (EMT) Certificate and who will enroll as a candidate for a Paramedic Training Certificate at an accredited Southern California paramedic training institution, college, or university in the counties of Santa Barbara, Ventura, Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Riverside, Orange, or San Diego. Applicants must demonstrate financial need.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 500 - 700 words, tell us why you are pursuing the paramedic profession. Please do a Google search of Michael A. DiRaimondo of Simi Valley, CA for a better understanding of the spirit of this scholarship.</p> |
| Michael Gordon Burgos Memorial Scholarship Fund | \$1,500 | Apply To | <p>College Major: Preference in the selection process will be given to applicants who intend to pursue a course of study in any of the healing arts, including Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, or Psychology.</p> <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents (minimum of three years of residency in Ventura County required) who are graduating from or have graduated from any high school in Ventura County. Applicants must be enrolling in, or currently enrolled in an accredited, nonprofit Ventura County institution of higher learning. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA and demonstrate financial need. Preference in the selection process will be given to applicants who intend to pursue a course of study in any of the healing arts, including Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, or Psychology. Preference in the selection process will be given to applicants who demonstrate an interest in environmental protection/preservation. Preference given to applicants who show participation in local volunteer health and/or human benefit programs. Preference given to applicants who have shown an interest in or participated in basketball or tennis.</p> <p>Required Essay Topic: In 500 to 700 words please explain what you will do to make our community a better place to live</p> |
| Michael Pool Memorial Scholarship | \$1,000 | Apply To | <p>College Major: Computer Science or Electrical, Mechanical, or Aerospace Engineering</p> <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who are graduating high school seniors who will enroll or are enrolled at an accredited public or private four-year college or university. Applicants must have a minimum 3.5 unweighted GPA.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 500-700 words, please explain your interest, experience, and goals in computer science or engineering.</p> |
| Milton McKeveatt Teague Scholarship Fund | \$2,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: Agriculture</p> <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents (minimum of three years residency) who are graduating high school seniors or have graduated, or GED holders who will enroll or are enrolled at an accredited four-year college or university, trade, or business school. Prior recipients may reapply for consideration in successive years.</p> |

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| Pacific Coast Business Times Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Apply To | <p>College Major: Business</p> <p>Awarded to Latina/Latino residents of Ventura County who have graduated or who will graduate from any high school in Ventura County and who are enrolled or will enroll in an accredited community college or four-year college or university in the state of California, pursuing an undergraduate degree in Business. Applicants must demonstrate financial need. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA .</p> <p>Required Essay: In 500 - 700 words, please tell us what prompted your interest in studying business and what you hope to achieve after graduation?</p> |
| Parker M. and Virginia Y. Howell Scholarship Fund | \$900 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Major: Engineering or Creative Writing</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors in the city of Ventura OR applicants who are currently enrolled at Ventura College. Applicants must be pursuing a degree in engineering or creative writing at an accredited community college, college, or university. Must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA and demonstrate financial need.</p> |
| Patricia Improta Memorial Nursing Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Apply To | <p>College Major: Nursing (Pursuing A.D.N. at Moorpark College or Ventura College or a B.S.N. at CSUCI)</p> <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who are enrolled Moorpark College, Ventura College or California State University Channel Islands pursuing an A.D.N. or B.S.N to become a registered nurse. Applicants must demonstrate financial need.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 500 to 700 words please tell us about your nursing role model and what prompted you to pursue a nursing career.</p> |
| Paul W. Lawrason, Jr. Scholarship Endowment Fund | \$500 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors from the city of Moorpark enrolling at an accredited community college or four-year college or university or accredited trade or vocational school. Applicants must be a resident of the city of Moorpark continuously, for the past 24 months. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 GPA and have demonstrated good citizenship and the initiative to succeed.</p> |
| Rincon Environment and Climate Heroes (REACH) Scholarship Fund | | Apply To | <p>Area of Interest: Environment</p> <p>Awarded to residents of Ventura County who are graduating high school students, community college students: or college freshman, sophomores, or juniors who previously graduated from a high school in Ventura County. Applicant must be enrolled or intend to enroll full time at an accredited California college. Applicants must have minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA. Preference given to applicants who are first generation college students. Preference given to applicants who are African American or Black, Asian, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, Latino/Latina, or First Nations or Native American descent.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 100 words, please describe why you are interested in environmentalism, and what you have done, or plan to do to preserve and protect the environment.</p> |
| Robert and Mary Hoppie Memorial Scholarship | \$1,200 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors from Channel Islands High School or Oxnard High School who will be enrolling in an accredited community college, trade school, or an accredited four-year college or university. Applicants must have a minimum 2.5 unweighted GPA. Applicants must have successfully completed a minimum of two Career Technical Education (CTE) classes. Preference will be given to applicants who completed a Career Pathway Program with a C or better OR applicants who participated as a member of their high school football team for at least 3 years.</p> |
| Rosellen Dee Pearsall Nurse Scholarship Fund | \$5,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: Nursing at the University of Kentucky College of Nursing</p> <p>Awarded to female rising college sophomores, juniors, or seniors who are currently enrolled and continuing next year in the University of Kentucky College of Nursing. Applicants must be citizens of the United States. Prior recipients may re-apply for consideration in successive years. There is a preference for financial need in the selection process, but it is not required to apply.</p> |
| Roy A. Gustafson Memorial Scholarship Fund | \$15,400 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: Law School (Juris Doctor)</p> <p>Awarded to graduates of any public or private Ventura County high school, who have successfully completed the first year of law school at an accredited college or university in the State of California and will continue at an accredited college or university in the State of California. Applicant must demonstrate financial need.</p> |
| SAGE Scholarship Fund | \$2,500 | Apply To | <p>Area of Study: Social and Behavioral Sciences</p> <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who have graduated from any Ventura County high school and are enrolled or will enroll in an accredited four-year college/university or accredited community college to major in Social and Behavioral Sciences. A minimum unweighted GPA of 3.0 is required. Applicants must demonstrate dedication to civic engagement, social initiatives, and/or community service. Preference given to applicants of the following ethnicities: Black/African American, Hispanic/Latino, Native American, Asian, and Pacific Islander.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 1000 words or less, tell us about your role in community activism or community service. What prompted your volunteer activities and what are you doing to make a difference in your community?</p> |

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| Salik Omar Shah Fund | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors from any high schools in Oxnard or Camarillo (or graduating from Viewpoint School in Calabasas) who will enroll at an accredited four-year college or university. Applicants must have a minimum 3.5 unweighted GPA and demonstrate financial need. Prior recipients may reapply for consideration in successive years.</p> |
| SAME Engineer/Architect Scholarship | \$1,600 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: Engineering or Architecture</p> <p>Ventura County residents who are graduating high school seniors, or community college freshman, sophomores or college freshman, sophomores, juniors who will enroll or are enrolled at an accredited college or university in the fields of Engineering or Architecture (all specializations in these majors will be considered, computer science majors will not be considered). Must have a minimum unweighted 3.0 GPA.</p> |
| Saticoy Lemon Association Employee Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to applicants who are children, legal wards, or employees of Saticoy Lemon Association. Applicants must be high school seniors eligible for graduation from any high school in Ventura County OR Ventura County residents who have received their General Equivalent Diploma (GED). Applicants must intend to enroll at a trade/technical/vocational school, community college, state college or university, or other undergraduate program. Applicants must demonstrate financial need.</p> |
| Science Matters Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Apply To | <p>College Major: Teaching in Science Education (Elementary, Middle, or High School levels)</p> <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who are graduating from a Ventura County high school, or who have graduated from a Ventura County high school and will enroll or are enrolled at an accredited four-year college or university. Applicants must be pursuing a career in teaching (elementary, middle school, or high school level). Applicants planning to teach at an elementary level must have a strong interest in science education. Applicants planning to teach science at the middle school or high school levels may be majoring in chemistry, physics, biology, or geology. Prior recipients may reapply for consideration in successive years. Applicants must have a minimum 3.2 unweighted GPA and demonstrate financial need.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 1000 or less, please tell us about your interest in science education and explain who or what inspired you to pursue a teaching career with a focus on science education.</p> |
| Second Century Legacy Fund | \$500 | Apply To | <p>Awarded to high school seniors eligible for graduation from a high school in Moorpark Unified School District (Community High School, Moorpark High School, or The High School at Moorpark College) who are intending to enroll as a candidate for a degree at an accredited college or university. Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA.</p> <p>Required essay: In 1000 words or less, please tell us why you think community service is important.</p> |
| Sepulveda & Garcia Latino Town Hall Scholarship Fund | \$2,500 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors from Fillmore High School, Oxnard High School, or Santa Paula High School who are enrolling in a vocational or trade school, an accredited community college, or a four-year college or university. Applicants must demonstrate financial need and have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA. Preference in the selection process will be given to children of farmworkers. Prior recipients may reapply for consideration in successive years.</p> |
| Shayna Inman Memorial Scholarship | \$500 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors from Ventura High School who will be enrolling in an accredited community college, four-year college or university, or a vocational, trade/technical school. Applicants must demonstrate financial need. One letter of recommendation should be directly related to the applicant's record of completing community service.</p> |
| Sin Fronteras/ No Borders Scholarship Fund | \$2,000 | Apply To | <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents from the 93033 Oxnard ZIP code who are graduating high school seniors or past graduates who will enroll or are enrolled at an accredited community college, a vocational, trade or technical school, or a public or private four-year college or university. Students must have a minimum 2.8 unweighted GPA and they must demonstrate financial need. Preference in the selection process will be given to applicants who are immigrants and/or the child of an immigrant parent(s). Preference given to applicants who are bilingual. Preference will be given applicants who have graduated from Channel Islands High School, Hueneme High School, or Oxnard College Middle High School. Preference given to prior recipients of the Sin Fronteras Scholarship provided they continue to meet the other criteria.</p> <p>Required essay: In 500 to 700 words, please tell us about your interests and experiences, and how bilingualism/biculturalism has impacted your life.</p> |
| Smith Family Foundation Scholarship for Emancipated Youth | varies \$500 to \$5000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Foster Youth (current or former) - Age 24 or younger</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors, high school graduates, or GED recipients who are age 24 or younger and who are or have been in foster care or a group home in Ventura County and who will attend or are attending an accredited community college or accredited four-year college or university in the state of California. Applicants must demonstrate financial need. Preference given to applicants enrolling in a local four-year college or university, including: CSUCI, CLU, CSUN, or UCSB. Applicants may reapply in successive years.</p> |

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| Stanley E Cohen Memorial Education Endowment Fund | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors from high schools in Ventura County who will enroll in an accredited community college, four-year college, or university.</p> |
| Stephen Devron Resnik Memorial Scholarship Fund | \$1,500 | Apply To | <p>Awarded to Camarillo residents (one male and one female) who will graduate from a high school in Ventura County (excluding home schooled students) and who will enroll full time at an accredited community college or 4=four-year college or university. A preference in the selection process will be given to applicants who play volleyball.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 1000 words or less, please share how you have had helped others and how your schoolwork and/or participation in school athletics has shaped your expectations of what is a successful life.</p> |
| Supervisor Jim Dougherty Scholarship Fund | \$3,000 | Apply To | <p>College Major: Education/Teaching, Political Science, or Administration of Justice at Ventura County Community Colleges</p> <p>Awarded to graduating seniors from high schools in Moorpark or Simi Valley who will enroll at one of the Ventura County community colleges OR rising college sophomores enrolled at a Ventura County community college. Applicants must have a minimum 2.5 unweighted GPA and demonstrate financial need. Preference in the selection process will given to past recipients of the Supervisor Jim Dougherty Scholarship. Preference in the selection process will be given to AB540 students.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 500-700 words, please tell us about the importance of public service and outline why your future plans would strengthen Ventura County and the fabric of its communities and public life.</p> |
| Swift Memorial Health Care Foundation Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Area of Study: Health Care</p> <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who will enroll or are enrolled as part-time or full-time student in a degree or certificate program in the health care field. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA. Preference will be given to applicants who demonstrate financial need.</p> |
| TEACH Fund | Varies; Generally \$1000 to \$3000 | Apply To | <p>Foster Youth (current or former) - Ages 24 or younger</p> <p>Awarded to applicants ages 24 years or younger who are graduating high school seniors or high school graduates, or GED recipients who are or have been in formal foster care, as verified by a third party, and either currently reside in Ventura County or did reside in Ventura County while in foster care or whose foster care dependency originated in Ventura County. Awards are only for current and former foster youth who will attend or are attending an accredited community college, trade or technical school, an accredited four-year college or university, or master's program. Applicants may re-apply for consideration in successive years.</p> <p>Required Essay: Please respond to each prompt. Your entire response should be no more than 500 words and should not duplicate the general application essay. 1. How has being in foster care affected your life. 2. Please share any other information you would like us to consider (for example, financial need, current life circumstances, additional achievements, or talents). 3. If you are a past TEACH recipient, please provide an update since your last award.</p> |
| TEACH Opportunity Scholarship Fund | \$5,000 | Apply To | <p>Foster Youth (current or former) - no age restriction</p> <p>Awarded to applicants who are graduating high school seniors or high school graduates, or GED recipients who are or have been in formal foster care, as verified by a third party, and either currently reside in Ventura County or did reside in Ventura County while in foster care or whose foster care dependency originated in Ventura County. Awards are only for current and former foster youth who will attend or are attending an accredited community college, trade or technical school, or accredited four-year college or university, or master's program. Applicants may re-apply for consideration in successive years.</p> <p>Required Essay: Please respond to each prompt. Your entire response should be no more than 500 words and should not duplicate the general application essay. 1. How has being in foster care affected your life. 2. Please share any other information you would like us to consider (for example, financial need, current life circumstances, additional achievements, or talents). 3. If you are a past TEACH recipient, please provide an update since your last award.</p> |
| Tom and Charlotte Crocker Family Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Apply To | <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who are graduating or have graduated from a high school in Ventura County, and who will enroll or are enrolled at an accredited community college; vocational, trade, or technical school; or a public or private four-year college or university. Applicants must have a minimum 2.5 unweighted GPA. Preference will be given to single mothers who are working to obtain a marketable skill by attending vocational school or furthering their education.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 300 to 500 words, please tell us what you hope to accomplish when you complete your education. If you are a single mother, please tell us what motivates you to go to school?</p> |
| VCCCDRA Sponsored Don B. Medley Scholarship Fund | \$1,100 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Area of Study: Computer Studies such as computer science, information systems technology, computer networking - engineering, computer programming, cybersecurity, and other related, emerging fields of computer technology.</p> <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who have graduated or are graduating high school seniors who will enroll or are enrolled at a Ventura County Community College (Moorpark, Oxnard, Ventura Colleges). Applicants must have a minimum of a 3.0 unweighted GPA. Preference in selection process will be given to applicants who demonstrate financial need.</p> |
| Ventura County Agricultural Scholarship Fund | \$700 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to children of agriculture workers in Ventura County who are high school seniors eligible for graduation from high schools in Ventura County and community college students who intend to enroll at a four-year college or university with the intention of earning a degree. Applicants must demonstrate financial need and have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA. Prior recipients may reapply for consideration in successive years.</p> |

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| Ventura County Career/Technical Education Fund | \$2,000 | Apply To | <p>Area of Study: Career Technical Program, Certificate Courses (not for applicants pursuing an associate degree)</p> <p>Awarded to Ventura County high school seniors or graduates of any Ventura County high school who will enroll or are enrolled in a career technical program located in Ventura County, Santa Barbara County, or Los Angeles County, or in a certificate course at any community college in Ventura, Santa Barbara, or Los Angeles counties. Applicants must demonstrate financial need. Prior recipients may reapply for consideration in successive years.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 1000 words or less, please tell us about your future plans, and how the educational path you've selected will help you achieve your career/work goals.</p> |
| Ventura County Farm Bureau Foundation Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: Agriculture or Agriculture-Related subject such as Agricultural Business, or applicants preparing for a career in the agricultural industry or related field.</p> <p>Awarded to high school seniors graduating from any high school in Ventura County who will enroll at an accredited public or private four-year college or university located in the United States. Prior recipients may reapply for consideration in successive years.</p> <p>Special Requirements: Applicant must be the child of a Farm Bureau of Ventura County member or the child of an employee of a Farm Bureau of Ventura County. Preference given to applicants who have a demonstrated interest and involvement in agriculture as evidenced by school, community, and volunteer activities.</p> |
| Ventura County Medical Education Fund | Varies \$2000 to \$8000 | Apply To | <p>Area of Study: Medical/Health Care Field</p> <p>This Fund was developed to create a pipeline of new medical professionals to serve in Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) or public hospitals in Ventura County. Awarded to applicants who are graduating or have graduated from a Ventura County high school and who will enroll or are currently enrolled in a program to pursue a Certification, Associates, Bachelor or Master's degree. Applicants must be committed to providing hands on health care delivery in a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) or public hospital in Ventura County. Applicants must have a minimum of 2.0 unweighted GPA ,</p> <p>College Major/Certification: Certification, Associates, Bachelors, Masters, Doctorate in the following healthcare fields: Biology, chemistry, health science, physical therapy (all levels), occupational therapy, speech therapy, kinesiology, medical coding, cancer registrar, health management, pharmacy (all levels), phlebotomy, bio-chemistry, substance abuse certificate, social work, psychology, clinical lab scientist, Marriage and Family Therapy, Public Health or Nursing, Certified Nurse Assistant, EMT, paramedics, dentistry, operation room technician, scrub technician, sterile processing technician, respiratory therapy, imaging/radiology (all levels), front/back office medical assistant, Physician Assistant, registered dietician, medical lab technician, optometry/opticians (all levels).</p> <p>Special Requirements: This award is a service obligation. Applicants must intend to provide direct service for at least three years in one of the Ventura County's safety net systems (hospitals, clinics).</p> <p>Required essay: In 300 to 500 words, please tell us why you wish to enter the healthcare field, and what your aspirations are in the healthcare field after you finish your degree or certification.</p> <p>Average Award: \$2,000 certificate; \$4,000 Associates; \$6,000 Bachelors; \$8,000 Graduate level</p> <p>Preference is given to applicants attending local medical education programs as identified the VCMEDU Oversight Committee.</p> |
| Vicky Howard Community Service Award | \$500 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>Awarded to a graduating high school seniors from a Simi Valley or Moorpark area high school who has been resident of Simi Valley or Moorpark area for a minimum of 18 continuous months immediately preceding the scholarship application deadline and will enroll at an accredited college or university. Minimum unweighted GPA requirement is 3.0. Applicants must show community service within the Simi Valley or Moorpark area.</p> |
| Vivian Klemz Memorial Scholarship Fund | \$1,500 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: Performing Arts, Visual Arts, Fine Arts, and Creative Language Arts</p> <p>Awarded to graduates of any Ventura County high school who are currently enrolled full-time at an accredited four-year college, university, or art institution pursuing an undergraduate degree OR applicants who are enrolled in a graduate-level arts program leading to a graduate-level degree in the arts. Preference given to female applicants.</p> |
| William A. and Cynthia D. Fairburn Memorial Scholarship Fund | \$2,500 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major/Area of Study: Liberal Arts or Humanities</p> <p>Awarded to high school seniors eligible for graduation from public or private high schools in Ventura County who will enroll as a candidate for an undergraduate degree at an accredited college or university majoring in Liberal Arts or Humanities. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA. Prior recipients may re-apply for consideration in successive years.</p> |

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| William and JoAnne Miller Scholarship Fund | \$7,500 | Apply To | <p>College Major: Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics (STEM)</p> <p>Awarded to Ventura County residents who are graduating high school seniors or applicants who have graduated from any Ventura County high school OR applicants who are currently enrolled in a community college AND will enrolling full-time in a four-year public or private college or university in the fall. Applicants must have minimum 2.0 unweighted GPA. Applicants must demonstrate their involvement in extracurricular activities, either on or off campus, as well as work experience and a strong desire to earn a STEM-related degree. Preference will be given to residents of Moorpark, Camarillo, and Newbury Park.</p> <p>After the first year, previous recipients may reapply for up to three years, and will be awarded the scholarship if all other eligibility requirements are met.</p> <p>Required Essay: In 500 to 700 words, please explain your interest, experience, and goals in science, technology, engineering or mathematics.</p> |
| William P. Reiman Memorial Scholarship Fund | \$1,000 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: Agriculture</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors or community college students from schools in Ventura County intending to enroll at an accredited four-year college or university to study agriculture. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA. Applicants must show a lifelong interest and concern for agriculture.</p> |
| Young Artists Scholarship Fund | \$2,500 | Automatch | <p>AUTOMATCH OPPORTUNITY: If you meet the qualifications listed, and you submit the general application, you will automatically be considered for this scholarship.</p> <p>College Major: Art</p> <p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors from any high school in Ventura County with a minimum 3.0 unweighted GPA who are enrolling at an accredited four year college, university, or art institution as a candidate for an undergraduate degree in an arts discipline. Applicants must have a demonstrated interest and involvement in the arts. Applicants may reapply for consideration in successive years. A preference for applicants with financial need will be given in the selection process but is not required to apply. Both references should directly relate to the applicant's artistic qualifications and one of the references should be from an art teacher/art instructor.</p> |