



Hispanic Women's Organization of Arkansas

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DACA Emergency Scholarship Application

August 3, 2021

Since 2000, HWOA has awarded 513 scholarships worth \$500 to \$5,000 to Hispanic students in Arkansas. The majority of the recipients have been the first in their families to attend an institution of higher education. **HWOA's goal is to increase the number of Hispanic students that attend and graduate with higher education degrees.**

Emergency Scholarship for DACA students only. Please read carefully before filling out the application.

Eligibility: Hispanic traditional or non-traditional DACA students who have attended and obtained a high school diploma or GED from a school in Arkansas and attend an accredited technical, college or university in Arkansas.

Application: Find the application: school counselors; <http://www.hwoa.org/scholarships.html> or at the HWOA office.

Qualifications: Hispanic DACA students – Arkansas high school graduates attending school in the state.

Requirements: Applicants must submit a completed application and required documents by August 17, 2021. (Incomplete applications or those missing documents will not be considered).

- **Complete Application Form:** Read and carefully answer **ALL** the questions in English.
 - ❖ **Considerations:** Limited English applicants call (479)751-9494 to request submission in Spanish
- **Background information:** Applicant must state his/her Hispanic heritage and DACA status.
- **Essay:** Applicant must submit 500 words essay (one page font 12 and single space.)
- The essay must tell about:
 - ❖ Yourself, your educational goals and why you deserve the HWOA Scholarship
 - ❖ Your Family History (parents and siblings)
 - ❖ Your Experiences that have influenced you to study: life, work, people
 - ❖ Your Leadership roles held and future plans where you hope to use such leadership
 - ❖ Your Community Service and/or Your Family Responsibilities
 - ❖ Your DACA Status
- **Proof of Enrollment – You must submit a proof of enrolment from accredited institution in Arkansas**
- **Financial Need:** Applicant **MUST** provide proof of family income either as dependent or head of household.
- **Resume:** Applicant must submit a one-page resume of work experience, academic accomplishments and other relevant activities.
- **Picture:** Applicant must submit a recent headshot photograph suitable for use in any printed materials.
- **Proof of DACA status and Social Security**

Deadline: This Emergency Scholarship for DACA Students is a onetime opportunity. Completed application and documents **MUST** be in the HWOA office or postmarked by **August 17, 2021**.
Send to HWOA, P.O. Box 6132, Springdale, AR, 72766.

Presentation: HWOA will notify recipients after the selection and be recognized as DACA Emergency Scholarship recipients at the HWOA Annual Conference, October 8, 2021.

For more information: Contact HWOA at 479-751-9494 or e-mail hwoa@hwoa.org
Mail your application to: HWOA, P.O. Box 6132, Springdale, AR 72766 or

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Please read carefully and answer **ALL** the questions on this page

Student ID# _____

Have you applied for FAFSA? Yes No Do not qualify

Student's Personal Information

Full Legal Name: _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name

Home Address: _____
Number and Street Apartment City State Zip Code

Mailing Address: _____
(If different) Number and Street Apartment City State Zip Code

Phone _____ Cell _____ E-mail _____

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) _____ Male Female Other _____

College you are currently attending _____

Major: _____ Expected graduation date: _____

Places where you do Community Service _____ How many hrs. _____

Responsibilities in Your Home: _____

Financial Information:

Total Annual Family income (attach proof): \$ _____ Do you have other siblings in college: Yes No

Number of family members living at home including you: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 > 8

Ages of all family members living at home including you: _____ Parents living at home: 1 2

Number of years' parents/guardians went to school: Mother _____ Father _____ Guardian(s) _____

Do you work during the school year? Yes No How long have you had this job? _____

Checklist for documents you need to include:

- Essay
- Proof of college enrolment
- Resume
- Proof of Income
- Picture (passport type)
- Proof of DACA Status and Social Security

***Essay.** Must describe yourself; tell about your family history, work and life experiences that influenced you to continue your education, leadership roles, community service, personal and educational goals, extracurricular activities and any additional information that tells about your DACA status and why we should consider you to receive a HWOA Scholarship.

****The essay must be written in English- ESL Students are encouraged to apply (500 words/one page maximum)**

Notes: Scholarship available for Arkansas students only. All documents submitted become property of HWOA.

Submit originals of application and transcripts, ensure copies of ALL other documents are in your packet.

*****Scholarship** award will be paid in two semesters – ½ for the Fall semester and ½ for the Spring semester.

HWOA employees, board members, selection committee members and their immediate families are not eligible for HWOA's scholarship.