



## **ALAMO WOMEN'S CLUB SCHOLARSHIP AWARD MISSION STATEMENT AND CRITERIA**

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

The Alamo Women's Club (501c (3)) Scholarship Program was established over 80 years ago and is made possible through annual club fundraising events and community donations. The program's focus is to award needs-based scholarships to help students reach their higher education goals.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Apply for this scholarship if you are: a single parent of one or more children under age 18, who is currently attending a community college in Contra Costa County; a member of Youth Homes or an emancipated foster youth under age 26 in Contra Costa County; a public high school graduating senior in the San Ramon Valley Unified School District or the Pittsburg School District. Previous AWC Scholarship recipients are eligible to apply.

### **AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP**

Up to \$5,000 per student.

### **SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA**

The following criteria are considered for awarding the AWC Scholarships:

- Needs financial support to meet educational/vocational goals;
- Makes a strong commitment to continuing education either academically or vocationally;
- Completes the AWC application;
- Maintains a 2.0 grade in all classes;
- Writes a personal essay describing why they are applying for the scholarship, what their educational/vocational goals are, and why they deserve the scholarship;
- Submits two (2) letters of recommendation from either school counselors, staff members, teachers or community leaders;
- Resides in Contra Costa County or attends a college in Contra Costa County;
- Completes the Photo Release Form with required signature;
- Returns the required documents by email no later than Monday, March 2, 2026.

### **SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Proof of enrollment (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> semesters);
- Grades of at least 2.0 in all classes as shown on school transcripts;
- Vocational Applicants provide receipts for fees/units/supplies for vocational program.
- The AWC Membership wishes to honor all scholarship recipients at their Awards Luncheon on Wednesday, April 22, 2026. Please plan to attend.
- **Scholarship checks must be cashed within 6 months of issue date.**

### **THE COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKET MUST INCLUDE:**

- Signed application form;
- Applicant's Personal Essay with name and phone number in top left corner;
- School transcript;
- Signed Photo Release Form;
- Two (2) Letters of Recommendation.
- **Late applications will not be considered.**

**All documents must be emailed to [awcscholarship@alamowomensclub.org](mailto:awcscholarship@alamowomensclub.org).**