



EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Big Brothers Big Sisters Foundation Scholarship Program was established to assist:

- a graduating high school senior who is a current/former Little Brother or Little Sister of the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central California affiliate
- continuing college student who is a current/former Little Brother or Little Sister of the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central California affiliate
- a current High School Big of the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central California affiliate that is in good standing; and seeking college or trade school tuition support
- a former High School Big of the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central California affiliate that is/ was in good standing; and seeking college or trade school tuition support

Since the inception of the scholarship program, successful candidates have been awarded educational scholarships ranging from \$300 - \$1,000 each.

Any eligible participant in the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central California (BBBSCC) program must submit an application to the Program Director of the agency no later than **Thursday, March 5, 2020**. Applications will be carefully screened and reviewed by a scholarship selection committee. Successful candidates will be notified of their award by the end of the current spring semester. Successful candidates will also be encouraged to attend a scholarship recipient luncheon to accept their award and meet the donors.

ELIGIBILITY:

- ❖ Must be a current/former Little Brother or Little Sister in the Community Based mentoring program administered by Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central California **OR** a current /former High School Big
- ❖ Must be accepted or pending acceptance to an accredited college (junior college/four-year institution/trade school)
- ❖ Undergraduate
- ❖ Must carry a **minimum of** 12 units, or 9 units if working full-time (employment must be verified each semester)
- ❖ Must maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA



EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP QUESTIONNAIRE

This questionnaire is confidential. The information requested is essential for consideration of your application. **YOU MUST RESPOND TO EACH ITEM. INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION. PLEASE TYPE ALL ANSWERS.** A downloadable form can be found on our website at www.bigs.org.

(Attach additional pages if needed)

SECTION A - - PERSONAL INFORMATION

Applicant's First Name:	Applicant's M.I:	Applicant's Last Name
Applicant's Street:	Applicant's City, State:	Applicant's Zip Code:
Applicant's Home Phone:	Applicant's Cell Phone:	Applicant's DOB:
Applicant's Gender:	Applicant's Ethnicity:	

SECTION B - - ACADEMIC, EXTRACURRICULAR AND VOLUNTEER/COMMUNITY SERVICE INFORMATION

School Presently Attending:	Grade:	Cumulative GPA (As of 12/31/18):
College of Accepted Enrollment:	Proposed Major:	Proposed # of Units:
How are you involved with BBBSCC?	How long have you been involved with BBBSCC?	



Please list all of extracurricular activities you have participated in:

Extracurricular activity:	For how long?
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Please list any volunteer/community service experience that you have had (including that with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central California):

Volunteer/Community Service Experience:	For how long?
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SECTION D - - SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

Please answer each question in 50-250 words. THE FOLLOWING ANSWERS MUST BE TYPED.

1. Please give a brief description of yourself, your family history, and current living situation in order to explain your need for financial assistance to attend college.
2. This scholarship is designed to assist you with some of the necessary college or trade school expenses. In addition to scholarship support, how do **YOU** plan to contribute to the many other expenses associated with college or trade school?
3. Why did you choose Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central California as an agency to get involved with?
4. During your involvement with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central California, what skills or experiences have you gained that have helped you prepare for college or trade school?
5. Discuss a special attribute or accomplishment that may set you apart from other applicants:
6. Describe someone that has been a mentor in your life and how they have helped guide you to where you are today:



STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

If selected as a successful candidate, I certify that I will use all funds awarded toward tuition, fees, books, or essential materials at the specified institute of higher education.

I understand and agree to the following statements:

- a) I will write a thank you letter to the scholarship donors and turn it in to my designated BBBSCC contact by June 1st of this year
- b) My application must be accompanied by my unofficial transcripts
- c) I must provide BBBSCC with my course schedule for the upcoming semester/quarter by June 1st OR show proof of a scheduled orientation
- d) If I am taking 9 units I will submit verification of my employment. I also understand that submitting this paperwork is my responsibility, and not that of Big Brothers Big Sisters.
- e) I will inform BBBSCC of any change of address or phone number while attending college
- f) I will notify Big Brothers Big Sisters if my school program is interrupted or terminated
- g) Failure to follow these guidelines will result in a **forfeit** of my scholarship

To the best of my knowledge, the information I have provided is complete, truthful and correct. I fully understand my responsibilities as outlined herein.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Statement by Parent or Guardian (if applicant is under age 18 as of March 5, 2020)

I have read this application, attest to the accuracy thereof, and understand that my child:

_____ is applying to the Big Brothers Big Sisters Foundation Scholarship Program.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. STEPS FOR SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION: You may: (1) Print out the completed application and physically submit your application and attachments to the Program Coordinator/Match support specialist, (2) scan and email your application to info@bigs.org OR (3) send your application and attachments postmarked no later than March 5, 2020 to the BBBSCC Headquarters office:

**Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central California
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Fresno, CA 93726**