



COLLEGE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

The Altrusa Club of Reading-Berks is an international service organization of volunteers dedicated to community service. Our goal, as members of our club, is to help improve the quality of life of individuals (both youth and adult) and families within Berks County. We are specifically interested in the areas of **literacy, leadership development, health and well-being,** and the **environment.** We accomplish our goals through hands-on service projects as well as through providing monetary contributions to individuals, agencies and organizations whose mission and goals are similar to ours.

In June of each school year, two deserving Berks County students attending an area college will be awarded financial aid in an amount to be determined each year. The amount is contingent on the amount of dollars raised by club members through our fund raising activities and is generally in the amount of \$1,000 to \$2,500 each year. This year we are pleased to announce we will be awarding a **\$2,500 scholarship to each student chosen by our club.** All recipients must be Berks County residents who plan to attend a Berks County educational institution of higher learning. All awarded scholarship funds will be sent directly to the school of choice in the student's name.

College student recipients must have maintained a 3.0 GPA or better and demonstrate financial need. Also required is a letter of recommendation by a faculty member or school official highlighting your participation in service activities and your need for financial assistance and their contact phone number. **The deadline for submission must be post marked no later than March 15, 2024.** The address for submission is on the second page of this application.

Please fill out the requested information below: *(Use either Blue or Black Ink, or Type information)*

Applicants Name: _____ Signature _____

Home Address: _____

Phone number: _____ email: _____

Current Grade Point Average (GPA) _____ *(Attach a copy of your transcript and the letter of recommendation on school letterhead).*

Name the educational institutional you currently attend. *(Full name and address required)*

What is your intended major or career path?

Name of Applicant _____

If awarded, how do you intend to use these scholarship funds? (*Tuition, Dormitory Housing, Official College Instructional Materials or Books*) _____

Name any other scholarships you have been awarded and the amount _____

Name any financial aid and amount you will be receiving _____

Because we are a service organization the three essay questions below will strongly influence our decision. We ask that you please type your responses on a separate page, if possible, and limit your responses to between 100-200 words. **Be sure to include your name in the upper right hand corner of the page and staple your responses to the application along with a copy of your transcript and the letter of recommendation from faculty member or school official including their contact information.**

Question #1 – Please provide an example of an issue or incident that has influenced your educational goals.

Question #2 – Please discuss your participation in community service and how it has impacted your career decision.

Question #3 – Please share your involvement in school activities that have helped develop your leadership skills.

MAIL YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION, TYPED ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS, AND THE COPY OF YOUR MOST RECENT TRANSCRIPT TO THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON LISTED BELOW NO LATER THAN MARCH 15, 2024.

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