



## VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP



The Manteca Chamber of Commerce in partnership with Give Every Child A Chance is happy to announce we are accepting vocational scholarship applications. Scholarship awards are intended to provide financial assistance to students who reside in the Manteca Unified School District who enroll in an accredited career program or vocational program at a community college in San Joaquin or Stanislaus Counties, or other licensed and accredited vocational training program, or has been accepted into an intern or apprenticeship program at a business located in those counties.

Eligible students will enroll in a program leading to a certificate or degree, and will plan to go directly into employment in that field upon completion of the program or who have completed such a program and seeking further vocational training to improve their employment prospects, or to provide for those who have completed these programs the equipment necessary to immediately enter the workforce such as required tools or safety equipment. Examples of vocational programs include but are not limited to: automotive technology, plumbing, HVAC Maintenance, electrician, accounting, child development, dental hygiene, fashion design, graphic design, medical assisting, and many others. Scholarships are primarily need-based rather than grade-based. The scholarships are not intended for general academic pursuits, for students intending to transfer to four-year colleges, or for graduate degrees.

Up to ten (10) scholarships will be awarded typically in amounts varying from \$250 to \$2,000 for full-time students and lesser amounts for part-time students. The award will be paid to the school upon confirmation of student enrollment: it is intended to support the vocational educational goals of the recipient and may be used for tuition or other expenses incurred in pursuit of the educational program.

Awards shall not exceed 75% of the total cost of tuition/registration and educational expenses. Applicants may apply for a waiver of the matching funds.

### ELIGIBILITY

Eligible applicants include:

- High school seniors who will graduate in spring of an application year and will enroll in a career/vocational program in fall of that same year.
- Individuals currently applying to accredited career/vocational training courses with the goal of receiving a professional certificate.
- Students currently enrolled in an accredited career/vocational program described above and continuing in that program in fall of the same application year.
- Individuals with high school degrees or GEDs who have been out of school and are returning to pursue a career/vocational education.

## APPLICATION FORM

If you wish to apply or know someone who wishes to apply for a Vocational Scholarship, please download the application below.

Follow instructions printed on the application form and return the completed form, along with other required documentation to: [ckeefhaver@gecac.net](mailto:ckeefhaver@gecac.net) or mail to:

Give Every Child A Chance  
322 Sun West Place  
Manteca, CA 95337

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION AND LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION:

One letter of recommendation must also be sent to support your application, preferably from a current or former instructor. You should send this page of application instructions to the person who will be writing a recommendation for you. It will help them understand the intent of the scholarship, and the procedure for them to submit their recommendation.

- Letters of recommendation should be e-mailed to: [ckeefhaver@gecac.net](mailto:ckeefhaver@gecac.net).

E-mail Subject Line: Vocational Scholarship Recommendation (write last name of student here)

If e-mail is not possible, applications and letters of recommendations may be mailed to:

Give Every Child A Chance  
322 Sun West Place  
Manteca, CA 95337

# Vocational Scholarship Application

Name First/Middle/Last: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

School Attending in the Fall: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone w/ area code: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone w/ area code: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred method of contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Identification #: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

*This Application consists of 5 single pages and could be more, depending on the length of your answers.*

Information given on this application will be used to consider you for a vocational scholarship. It will also supplement any existing financial aid application you have or will file. The scholarship award will be issued directly to the school financial aid office and will be awarded to the student after enrolling in the specified number of units at that community college or vocational school. Both content and manner of presentation will be considered when this scholarship application is reviewed. **Please complete the entire application.** Failure to complete all sections of this form may jeopardize the status of your application. **This application and one completed recommendation letter, preferably from a current or former instructor, are the only forms necessary to apply.** The scholarship application should be typed or printed in black ink.

Have you received a scholarship from the Manteca Chamber of Commerce or Give Every Child A Chance in the past?

No                      Yes

If yes, please list any prior scholarships received:

Date Received:

## Personal Information (Please check one)

Veteran                      U.S. Citizen                      Immigrant

Foreign Student                      No                      Yes

If yes, Name & Address of Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you:                      Own a Home                      Rent                      Live with Parents                      Live with Friend

Marital Status:                      Single                      Married                      Divorced                      Separated                      Widowed

Number of Dependents: \_\_\_\_\_ Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Is spouse a student? \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Units \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Street Address/City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

## Educational Information

List all high schools and colleges you have attended, beginning with the final year of high school and ending with your present educational status. Please include the following items:

	School	Degree	Dates of Attendance	GPA
1)				
2)				
3)				
4)				
5)				

What degree/certificate are you seeking? \_\_\_\_\_

From which College? \_\_\_\_\_

Which program(s) will you be attending next year? \_\_\_\_\_

When will you reach your goal/graduate? (please include month and year) \_\_\_\_\_

## **Current Memberships, Activities, and Involvement**

List activities in which you are actively participating in school/college, or in the community.

Examples are: clubs, committees, athletics, drama, music, volunteer work, event planning, fund raising, etc.

## **Prior Memberships and Activities**

List memberships you have held before which are not now current. List both on campus and off campus activities.

## Supplemental Financial Information

<u>Monthly Income</u>		<u>Monthly Expenses</u>	
Employment*	\$	Rent	\$
Spouse Employment	\$	Food	\$
Parent Contribution	\$	Utilities	\$
Scholarships or Grants	\$	Education (Books, Fees)	\$
Work-Study	\$	Transportation	\$
VA/Social Security Benefits	\$	Child Care	\$
Child Support/Alimony	\$	Child Support	\$
Other (List Source)	\$	Other (List)	\$
Total		Total	
\$		\$	

\* If employed, where? \_\_\_\_\_

\* If employed, how many hours a week? \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated tuition & school-related expenses? \$

Quarterly or Annually? \$

Other comments:

## Personal Statement

Use the space below to tell us about yourself, why you wish to attend the school you have selected, what you will be doing five years from now, and how you think you will attain your goals. Please limit it to one page.

## Letter of Recommendation

Please give us the name of the one person from whom you have requested a letter of recommendation, preferably from a current or former instructor.

1) Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relation to you (e.g., teacher, counselor): \_\_\_\_\_

## Completion of Application

I hereby authorize the Financial Aid Office at the school(s) to which I am applying to release all information that may be requested concerning my application. I agree that some scholarship information may be sent to me at the email address that I have listed.

Signature (or typed name, if submitting by e-mail): \_\_\_\_\_

By selecting the "I agree" button, I am signing this document electronically. I agree that my electronic signature is the legal equivalent of my manual/handwritten signature on this document. By selecting "I agree" using any device, means, or action, I consent to the legally binding terms and conditions of this document. I further agree that my signature on this document is as valid as if I signed the document in writing.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please save your completed form and e-mail your application as an Attachment to save paper. Kindly e-mail your application to: [ckeefhaver@gecac.net](mailto:ckeefhaver@gecac.net). Type this in the e-mail Subject Line: Vocational Scholarships (add your last name here)

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