

Rho Psi Society Need Based Scholarship Award - 2021

Objective:

To recognize and assist outstanding high school Chinese graduates to reduce financial burdens for the 4-year college.

Applicant Qualification:

- At least 16 years of age at the time of application, lives in Metro Washington DC and Baltimore area
- Of Chinese Heritage
- Beginning full-time study at an accredited 4-year college educational institution in the United States in Fall 2021
- Able to attend the award ceremony at 2pm on Saturday, May 8, 2021 virtually. The link of the virtual ceremony will be provided prior to May 8, 2021.

Selection Criteria:

- Academic achievement of a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (unweighted)
- Leadership in extracurricular activities
- Involvement in community service
- Financial needs (Adjusted Gross Income on Form 1040 is less than \$65,000)
- Must enroll in an accredited 4-year in-state college as a full-time student for the entire academic year 2020/2021

Scholarship Awards:

- 2 x US\$4,000
- 3 x US\$2,000

Rules for Applicants to complete the application (Required Documents):

- Email Sherry Hwang at shwang@pyramidsystems.com for the application form
- Complete the application
- Sign the application form by the applicant and his/her legal guardian
- Additional attachment (if necessary) describing extracurricular activities, academic honors, and community service activities (maximum, 2 pages)
- A biography
- An essay of 500 words on **“The Importance of Pursuing Higher Education?”** typed in double-space and signed by the applicant and his/her academic guidance counselor on the upper right hand corner
- Transcripts from high school capturing the coursework
- A copy of most recent household tax return signed by taxpayer(s)
- Two letters of recommendation from those listed as references in the application
- Information on proposed 4-year college course of study (major)
- A financial plan depicting all funding resources, such as family fund, college scholarship(s), government aid(s), and/or student loan to complete the 4-year college.
- Application package must be post marked and sent to
Mrs. Sherry Hwang, 2677 Prosperity Ave., Suite 700, Fairfax, VA 22031 or email
the entire package to shwang@pyramidsystems.com on or before March 31, 2021
- Application package **will not be returned**
- Scholarship will send to the Financial Office of the college designated by the applicant
- Award winners will receive notification by April 15, 2021.