

InFaith Community Foundation

THE MARY BARBARA PRICE LUTHERAN SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR UNDERGRADUATES

The Scholarship Program

The Mary Barbara Price Lutheran Scholarship Program for Undergraduates was established to benefit Lutheran students who are residents of Madera, Kings, Kern or Tulare County. The scholarship program is made possible through the generosity of donor Barbara Price, who created this permanently endowed fund at InFaith Community Foundation. Through these scholarship awards, the donor wished to endorse the optimism and success of today's youth and provide educational opportunities to outstanding individuals who have demonstrated their abilities and their desire to explore the unlimited possibilities available to them. The donor also shared a belief in the faith and values inherent in and promoted by colleges and universities affiliated with the Lutheran Church. It was the donor's hope that recipients of this award similarly recognize such value, and that they, too, may one day be in a position to identify other students in need of educational scholarship assistance, also "passing it along" without carrying it as a debt to be repaid.

About InFaith

The scholarship program is administered by InFaith Community Foundation, a national charity with a mission to serve donors, spread joy and change lives. Through InFaith, giving is customized to each donor's charitable interests and financial circumstances. InFaith is a proven steward of these gifts, earning consistently high ratings from Charity Navigator and GuideStar for sound fiscal management, transparency and commitment to excellence. Together with donors, InFaith now grants over \$35 million annually to charities serving local, national and global communities. To learn more, visit InFaithFound.org.

Eligibility

The scholarship program is open to high school graduating seniors, current undergraduate students, and previous scholarship recipients as outlined below:

- **High School Seniors.** Any high school senior who has a permanent residence in Madera, Kings, Kern or Tulare County and is a member of a Lutheran congregation.
- **College or University Undergraduate Students.** A current undergraduate student may apply if the student is enrolled, or plans to be enrolled, on a full-time basis at an accredited college or university. Applicants must have a permanent residence in Madera, Kings, Kern or Tulare County and be a member of a Lutheran congregation.
- **Previous Scholarship Recipients.** Students who have previously received this award may re-apply for this scholarship on an annual basis, if the student is enrolled, or plans to be enrolled, on a full-time basis at a Lutheran college or university. Applicants must have a permanent residence in Madera, Kings, Kern or Tulare County and be a member of a Lutheran congregation.
- **Preference** for these scholarship awards shall be given to students attending a Lutheran college or university.

All applicants to this scholarship program must demonstrate that they have graduated from high school in good academic standing and must maintain good academic standing in their undergraduate studies in order to continue receiving the scholarship.

Scholarship Awards

Scholarship recipients will be determined by a Scholarship Committee of InFaith staff. Applicants of the scholarship award will be notified by InFaith by July 2020. Scholarship awards are sent directly by InFaith to the educational institution where the recipient will attend. This scholarship award is intended to provide financial assistance that is not otherwise covered by available resources or other financial aid to the applicant. Funds may be used to defray expenses for tuition, room and board, books, laboratory expenses and/or other related educational expenditures.

Application Overview & Deadline

Students who wish to apply to the scholarship program must complete an online application available at <https://www.inFaithfound.org/scholarships>. Paper applications are available only by request. Application and required attachments are due **April 30, 2020**.

Questions?

Additional questions about this scholarship program may be directed to Nikki Johnson, Donor Services Associate, at scholarships@inFaithfound.org or calling (800) 365-4172.

Application Instructions & Questions

Please read the instructions carefully and ensure that all of the required information is received by the deadline. Applicants should complete an online application, providing answers to the questions below. Applicants will also need to submit additional materials to InFaith outlined in the section below.

Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Applicant Information

- Contact information: Name, address, date of birth, phone, email;
- Demographic information: gender, ethnicity;
- School/degree information: school name, GPA, major, graduation date;
- Financial aid information.

Short Answer & Text Questions

- How did you hear about the scholarship?
- Have you received a scholarship from InFaith? When? Name of scholarship?
- Tell us about why you are uniquely qualified to receive this award. (300 words)
- What are your educational goals? What type of program/studies do you intend to pursue or are pursuing? What do you hope to do upon completion of your studies? What are your career objectives? (300 words)

Essay

In an essay of approximately 1200 words, please outline your personal hopes and dreams, including career, travel, family, recreation or hobbies, advanced education, etc. What experiences have formed you to be the person you are today? What role does faith play in your life? What makes you optimistic about the future? Please take time to seriously consider these goals and dreams that you have for your life. Submitted essays will be judged on spirit, clarity of thought, grammar and spelling.

Additional Submitted Materials – to be received by or before the deadline of April 30, 2020.

- **Transcript** - Please ensure that InFaith receives a copy of your most recent transcript (unofficial is acceptable) showing a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale.
- **Community Service Resume** - A resume including school, church related and community service, honors, awards, leadership and work history in which you have engaged during your high school years. Include number of hours, years and level of leadership and awards for each activity.

- **Online Recommendation Form** – Please forward the online recommendation form to two individuals, including one from your pastor and one from a high school teacher, for their online completion. Link to online recommendation form: inFaithFound.org/recommendation.