

ARROWHEAD UNITED WAY – WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP COUNCIL 2015 ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was created by the Arrowhead United Way -Women's Leadership Council (WLC). Since 2007, our vision has been to provide programs of education that aid to the reduction of identified obstacles for the young women in the County of San Bernardino and the Arrowhead United Way catchment area. Our focus area for education over the past years has been to help high school juniors and seniors be college ready, learn career building skills, and develop strong life skills.

The Scholarship - These scholarships will range from \$500 to \$1500, and be awarded to female graduates from area high schools planning to attend a college or technical institute in the Fall of 2015. The scholarship is an academic scholarship based on a 2.5 grade point average and a submitted essay. One of our organizational goals is to increase the awareness of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) careers. STEM careers are the wave of the future and many jobs are currently under represented by women. There is a great need for young women to be prepared for the occupational demands of the 21st century.

Who is Eligible? You must live in the Arrowhead United Way catchment area cities (San Bernardino, Rialto, Colton, Devore, Crestline, Lake Arrowhead, Green Valley Lake, Big Bear Lake, Big Bear City, Running Springs, Muscoy, Highland, Bloomington, Loma Linda, and Grand Terrace) and have been accepted to an accredited college, university, or technical school in the United States. You must also have a 2.5 grade point average and be able to include proof at the time of application.

How do you apply?

- 1) Submit a **one page** essay of 300 words on "How Pursuing a STEM Career Can Be a Game Changer for Young Professional Women?" The essay should include what your vision is as a college student and how you see STEM careers playing a part in your future. You do not have to major in a STEM career in order to apply for this scholarship.
- 2) All essays must be submitted online, double spaced and emailed as an attachment to Rachel Hart at rachelh@ahuw.org. If you have additional questions, please contact her at 909-884-9441. The subject of your email must state 2015 Women's Leadership Council Scholarship Entry.

IMPORTANT GUIDELINES:

Applications for this project will be accepted from April 1 - 18, 2015. All applications will be reviewed for quality and uniqueness. Awardees will be announced by email by May 4, 2015. You must accept your award in person at our end of the year luncheon for the Next Steps Mentorship Program, to be held at San Bernardino Valley College on May 16, 2015.

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