



2016 SINGLE PARENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Capture the Dream, Inc. offers the Single Parent Scholarship to graduating high school seniors and college undergraduate students who will be enrolled at accredited, not-for-profit two or four-year institutions in the Fall term. Each scholarship winner will receive a \$1,000 scholarship to be mailed to their college or university.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Must be a Bay Area resident. Bay Area residence is defined as having lived in the Greater San Francisco Bay Area for the two years (24 months) preceding the application deadline. The Bay Area's nine counties are Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Solano, and Sonoma.
- Must be from a low-income household. Low income is defined as having annual household income at or below 100% LLSIL. Please refer to the [LLSIL guidelines for 2015](#) to determine your eligibility.
- Must be a the legal parent/guardian of one or more minor children.
- Must be enrolled at an accredited, not-for-profit two or four year institution in the upcoming Fall term.
- Upon selection, scholarship recipients must provide proof of annual household income, proof of enrollment, and any additional documents required within two weeks of notification to substantiate the information provided and avoid being disqualified.
- Employees of Capture the Dream, Inc. and relatives of officers are NOT eligible for this program.
- There is no application fee.

Note: If you are selected as a finalist, a telephone or in-person interview with one or more members of Capture the Dream, Inc.'s Scholarship Committee is required before 08/15/2016.

Application Instructions:

- Application and required materials must be postmarked on or before **July 31, 2016**.
- All application materials, including application form, must be typed.
- All application materials should be printed single sided, with no staples or paper clips.
- All application materials, including official transcripts and letters of recommendation, must be submitted together in one large envelope.
- Complete application based on the current academic year.
- Application is not valid until ALL of the following have been completed, submitted, and received by Capture the Dream, Inc.:
 - ☐ Single Parent Scholarship Application and Essay (1,000 words or less)
 - ☐ Introduction Letter to Scholarship Committee summarizing qualifications
 - ☐ Professional Resume
 - ☐ Official Transcript
 - ☐ Financial Aid Award Documentation (e.g. Web-Award Confirmation)
 - ☐ Letters of Recommendation:
Minimum of 1 letter from a teacher, professor, principal, supervisor, volunteer director or equivalent, in a sealed envelope with their signature placed across the seal. This letter should address the applicant's ability to set realistic goals and how he/she has achieved them; how the applicant has demonstrated academic or community leadership; an example demonstrating the applicant's will power, personal strength, and drive; and any other relevant information.

Please mail completed application to:

Capture the Dream, Inc.
Attn: Scholarship Chair
484 Lake Park Ave #15
Oakland, CA 94610



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Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial	Today's Date	
Please check one of the following (as of April 1, 2016):				
I am a: <input type="checkbox"/> High School Senior <input type="checkbox"/> College Freshman <input type="checkbox"/> College Sophomore <input type="checkbox"/> College Junior				
Permanent Address		City	State	Zip Code
Mailing Address (if different)		City	State	Zip Code
Primary Phone Number		Alternate Phone Number	Personal E-mail	
Ethnicity			Gender	
<input type="checkbox"/> African American <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic <input type="checkbox"/> Native American <input type="checkbox"/> Asian/Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Caucasian <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____			<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	
Current High School Students only:				
Name and Location of High School Attended:		Cumulative GPA:	Scale (e.g. 3.0 out of 4.0):	<input type="checkbox"/> SAT I <input type="checkbox"/> ACT Score:
				Expected Date of Graduation
Current College Students only:				
Name and Location of College Attended:		Cumulative GPA:	Scale (e.g. 3.0 out of 4.0):	Major Field of Study:
				Expected Date of Graduation
Total Household Income:		# of Household Members:	Occupation of Parent/Guardian (Optional):	
\$				
Have you ever been convicted of a crime or felony? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, please explain: (use separate sheet if needed)			Are you currently, or were you ever, a Capture the Dream, Inc. scholarship recipient? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, what year?	
How did you hear about Capture the Dream, Inc.'s scholarship? (Check all that apply)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Capture the Dream, Inc's website <input type="checkbox"/> Online search <input type="checkbox"/> Flyer/Advertisement <input type="checkbox"/> Friends or Family <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) _____				
Are you currently employed? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If so, please complete the following: Name of company/Institution _____ Amount earned toward tuition/living expenses: \$ _____		Are you applying for any other scholarship funds for the upcoming school year? If so, please list the name(s) and the amount(s) below: Name: _____ Amount: \$ _____ _____ \$ _____ _____ \$ _____		



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Please complete the following information for the current school year. If you are selected as a finalist, Capture the Dream, Inc. will contact the appropriate institution verify that the information provided is true and correct.

1. Full Name of Enrolled Student _____ Expected Graduation Date _____

2. Cumulative GPA for the 2015-2016 school year _____ Scale (e.g. 3.0 out of 4.0) _____

3. Estimate the cost of tuition, fees, books, and tuition-related expenses for the 2016-2017 school year. Exclude the cost of meals, housing, transportation and personal expenses. For verification purposes, attach a copy of your Financial Aid Award or a print out from your college's financial aid web page that details the cost of attendance for the 2016-2017 school year. \$ _____

4. List the name and the amount of scholarships/grants (excluding loans) you are receiving for the 2016-2017 school year.

_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____

5. Total of scholarships/grants for the school year: \$ _____

6. Considering any scholarship/grant funds awarded and restrictions placed on the expenditure of those funds, what is the remaining "tuition balance" for the school year? (Line 3 minus Line 5) \$ _____

7. If a scholarship is awarded to the student, the check will be mailed directly to the college institution's financial aid office. What is the name, title, and mailing address of the office or individual to whom the check should be mailed? Checks may be sent overnight. The overnight carrier will not accept post office box numbers.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____
(IF UNDER 18)

My signature above guarantees that all submitted application materials including application, resume, introduction letter, essay, and other stated information are true and accurate. I understand that falsification of any material content will result in my disqualification from eligibility for this scholarship, and that any scholarship funds that may be awarded based on fraudulent information will be required to be repaid to Capture the Dream, Inc.



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Volunteer Experience (Briefly describe your volunteer and community service experience, including annual hours spent volunteering.)

Career Interests (Briefly state your short- and long-term objectives.)

Is there any additional information that you would like for us to consider that has not yet been mentioned in the application (e.g. disabilities, health problems, etc.)?



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Essay Topic:

In 1,000 words or less, explain why you should be selected as a recipient of our Single Parent Scholarship. Draw upon your academic, professional, volunteer and personal experiences to demonstrate how you have overcome the challenges of being a single parent. Describe how you exemplify a single parent role. In addition, please state how achieving your career goals and future aspirations will contribute to your growth as a leader in your community.



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Scholarship Application Packet Checklist:

- ☐ Single Parent Scholarship Application and Essay
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- ☐ Professional Resume
- ☐ Official Transcript
- ☐ Financial Aid Web-Award Confirmation
- ☐ Letter of Recommendation (Minimum of 1 letter from a teacher, professor, principal, supervisor, volunteer director, or equivalent)

Please gather and submit all application materials in one large envelope. Do not use staples or paper clips. Separately submitted documents may not be reviewed, and your application packet may be considered incomplete. We recommend sending your application with a USPS Return Receipt or equivalent if you wish to confirm receipt of your application.

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Scholarship recipients will be notified via phone and email on or before September 1, 2016. The 2016 Single Parent Scholarship Winner will also be posted on our website, www.capturethedream.org on or before September 1, 2016.

Disclaimer

Capture the Dream, Inc. is not responsible for lost or stolen applications, so please keep copies of your application materials and apply early. All materials submitted are the property of Capture the Dream, Inc. and will not be returned. Information will only be used for purposes of processing the application and selecting a recipient for the scholarship. Please read our Privacy Policy online for more information at www.capturethedream.org.