



College Scholarship for Adult Learner

The South Haven Garden Club ("SHGC") is pleased to offer \$1,000 in scholarships to an adult learner returning to college from the Van Buren County area that is pursuing a horticulture related field of study.

Qualifications:

1. Applicant must be an area resident of Van Buren, Allegan or Berrien County with a diploma or GED from South Haven, Covert, Bangor, Bloomingdale, Gobles, Hartford, Coloma, or Fennville high school.
2. Applicant must author an essay detailing:
 - a. Interests, activities, and career goals related to gardening, landscape design, conservation, environmental issues, horticulture, or floral design.
 - b. Provide an example of issues related to Michigan's ecosystem, explain why they are important, and how they affect the daily lives of Michiganders.
3. Applicants must be applying to attend an accredited higher education institution, i.e., college, university, community college, or technical school in Michigan.
4. The scholarship will be awarded in two installments of \$500 each for two consecutive semesters upon proof of enrollment. The Scholarship Committee Chair will communicate directly with the applicant's institution to confirm enrollment.

Selection Criteria:

Applications will be evaluated, and a recipient chosen by the South Haven Garden Club Scholarship Committee. To provide objectivity, all applicants names will be removed.

The following criteria will be used to evaluate applications:

1. Applicant essay.
2. High School Transcript with 2.5 cumulative GPA or better.
3. Description of relevant honors/awards/extracurricular activities/work experience.
4. Letter of recommendation from a non-family adult the applicant interacts with on a regular basis.

Chosen winner(s) will be presented with their award in August this year.

When you have a college email address, please forward it by mail or email for our records. Follow up with college will be made each semester.

Scholarship Committee
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South Haven, MI 49090
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South Haven Garden Club College Scholarship Application

Name: _____ Date: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

High School/Trade School/Home School: _____

Diploma/GED Date: _____ Cumulative GPA: _____

College/University/Trade School to attend: _____

First Generation college student: Yes _____ No _____

Field of Study: _____ Major: _____

Why do you feel you should be awarded a Scholarship _____

Extra-curricular Activities: _____

Community Activities/Volunteer: _____

Work experience: (begin with most recent)

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Duties</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Hours/Week</u>
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