

# BVCA PARTNERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY



## **SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABILITY**

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Blue Valley Community Action (BVCA) Partnership is pleased to offer the following scholarships this year:

- \* The “BVCA Partnership Scholarship” will be awarded to individuals planning to attend or currently attending a 4-year college.
- \* The “BVCA Partnership Vocational Scholarship” will be awarded to individuals planning to attend or currently attending a 2-year or less program at a vocational college.
- \* The “BVCA Partnership Southeast Community College Scholarship” will be awarded to individuals planning to attend or currently attending Southeast Community College.

Scholarships will be in the amount of \$500 and can be used for tuition, books and fees associated with enrollment. Six scholarships will be awarded.

## **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

To be considered for these scholarships, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- \* Applicant must currently reside in one of the following BVCA Partnership service areas: Butler, Fillmore, Gage, Jefferson, Polk, Saline, Seward, Thayer or York Counties in Nebraska.
- \* Applicants must meet the Income Guidelines (see page 2 of 2).
- \* Applicant must return the completed application packet to BVCA Partnership (address on page 2 of 2). Packets must be received or postmarked on or before February 1, 2017. For a packet to be considered complete, the applicant must do the following:
  - Applicant must complete the BVCA Partnership Scholarship Application (page 2 of 2).
  - Applicant must compose and include with the application a narrative. The applicant must follow the Narrative Guidelines below.
  - Applicant must include with the application three (3) Letters of Recommendation from non-relatives. Letters of Recommendation must be typed or neatly printed and signed by the individual recommending the applicant.

## **NARRATIVE GUIDELINES**

Narratives must be double-spaced and no more than two (2) pages long. Typed narratives are preferred, but not required. If typing, please use a font type and size that can be read easily. Applicants must include the following:

- \* A brief biography.
- \* Discuss aspirations and goals for furthering their education.
- \* Briefly state their need for financial assistance.
- \* If applicable, how they and/or their family has been assisted by BVCA Partnership in the past.
- \* Describe their volunteer experiences with BVCA Partnership or other community organizations.

## **SELECTION PROCESS**

The BVCA Partnership Board of Directors' Scholarship Committee will review all completed application packets and select the recipients. Selection announcements will be sent out in a Press Release on May 1, 2017. Recipients will be notified directly by BVCA Partnership. All scholarships must be utilized within 15 months of the date on the award letter.

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**APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED OR POSTMARKED  
ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 1, 2017.**

Please mail or fax completed application packet to:  
Blue Valley Community Action Partnership • Attention: Heather Lytle, Administrative Director  
P.O. Box 273 • Fairbury NE 68352 • Fax: (402) 729-2801 • Phone: (402) 729-2278 EXT 122

Please type or neatly print in black ink.

Applicant's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

High School/College you currently attend, if any: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution of Higher Education you plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Please declare your household income (must fall at or below to be considered):

Household Size	Year	Month	Check One:
1	\$14,850	\$1,237	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	\$20,025	\$1,668	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	\$25,200	\$2,100	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	\$30,375	\$2,531	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	\$35,550	\$2,962	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	\$40,725	\$3,393	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	\$45,912	\$3,826	<input type="checkbox"/>
Additional Member	+\$5,200	+\$433	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____

Please select which Scholarship you are applying for:

- "BVCA Partnership Scholarship" (4-year college)
- "BVCA Partnership Vocational Scholarship" (2-year or less program at a vocational college)
- "BVCA Partnership SCC Scholarship" (Southeast Community College)

If you agree to the below requirements, please sign and date the bottom of this application.

- \* I meet all eligibility requirements outlined on page one of this scholarship application.
- \* If selected, I will complete and return BVCA's Scholarship Disbursement Form within 15 months of the date on the award letter. Funds will be disbursed directly to the college of my choice. I understand that if I do not utilize my scholarship within that 15 month timeframe, it will be forfeited.

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_