

Harford County Association of Realtors Essay

Why I should receive this scholarship and how this scholarship will help me with my future plans?

I believe I should receive this scholarship, for I would utilize the scholarship for my college education. My mother and my uncles have always instilled in me the importance of higher education. They've all struggled their entire lives, for they do not have higher education. I want to get a college education so I can help my extended family as well as give back to the community, particularly the city of Havre de Grace and Harford County.

I also know the importance of giving back to the community. I've done so with volunteering at a very early age. I love giving back to the community. I intend to continue doing so even while going to college, no matter where I go. My entire extended family was very poor and their struggles showed me I can have a better life and I can give back to the community as well. I intend to complete my 4-year degree and then open my own business in Havre de Grace to give back to the community, especially youths.

I hope you give my scholarship application every consideration, for I promise to not take for granted my college education and I promise to continue giving back to the community. This scholarship will go a very long way in helping me offset my college expenses.

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Scholarship Essay

As I look ahead at my educational goals, I aspire to achieve at least a four-year degree in business. There are many areas of business and administration that I am interested in, so I will try to narrow my focus as I take classes. I plan on studying locally at Harford Community College for my first two years and then transferring on to a university to finish. I will have taken two college classes as a dual-enrolled high school senior by the time of my graduation in June. I am currently at a 3.2 GPA in high school (which reflects an 8 point scale. My GPA would be at 3.75 with the 10 point scale that most schools use).

I am funding my own college education, so scholarships like this one are very meaningful to me. I have been working and saving for college and will continue working as I complete my education. I have worked various jobs over summers, including McDonalds, and also throughout this school year as I save toward my future. I will be working both a full-time and part-time job this summer. My work last summer with the special needs children at John Archer gave me some wonderful experience and helped me to see things through a different perspective. I hope to use some of that perspective with my work at the YMCA this summer.

I believe strongly in community service. I have had the privilege of growing up in a service-oriented family. My dad is a pastor in Harford County and my mom is a school teacher. I have had the opportunity to serve both the local and world-wide community in many ways. I have been able to serve my church community through child-care, children's ministry, choir, manning the sound room, and cleaning. I have also logged in many hours serving Harford County through 4-H, and at a local organization called Restoration Farm. This organization utilizes animals, agriculture, and a retreat-type setting to help those who have a variety of needs. I have learned to care for animals, do yard work, and serve at banquets and other events. I have logged in many hours at my school serving as a teacher's aid for over two years. In all, I have logged about 700 hours of community service during my high school career. For the bigger world, I have had the privilege of traveling on several mission trips including Hong Kong and Kentucky. This summer I will be going to Ukraine to work at a camp for orphans. This trip is particularly meaningful to me since I was adopted from an orphanage in Ukraine myself. I recognize that many people have invested in my life, and I want to continue to invest myself into other's lives. I was honored to receive the Charlie Rylie Community Service scholarship this past Fall, but that will definitely not mark the end of my community service. As I look toward my future I see myself still heavily involved in community service. I hope to use my degree to help others in some way.

Thank you so much for considering me for this scholarship. College expenses seem a bit overwhelming, and scholarships like this one will be deeply appreciated as I pursue my educational goals.

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Brief narrative describing my financial need and how this scholarship will assist me in attaining my educational and career goals.

College provides a superior experience for anyone who wants to learn independence and attain an education to prepare for the future. It can also leave a person with huge financial debt. I have recently narrowed my college decisions to two schools, Stevenson University and Salisbury University, that excel in preparing people for a career in nursing. Despite an academic scholarship I have been granted from Stevenson University, a decision for either college would range from \$12,000 to \$15,000 each semester. Recently, my parents divorced which has caused a hardship for my family. Although my parents are employed, the recent events have changed the financial position for my family.

I enjoyed both of my visits to the schools and each provide a unique experience for the nursing field. Stevenson recently built state of the art medical and science learning facilities on their campus and the university is located near several well-established medical institutions. This would provide me with any number of options to practice while learning. Salisbury is well-respected and has one of the highest job placements for nursing in the area. I know that I will have to make a decision soon, and as far as I can tell, either will be a good choice.

Growing up, schooling was always important to me. I enjoy sports and athletics and people. I saw my brothers go to college, and it would be a dream to graduate and become a nurse. Receiving this scholarship would get me one step closer to pursuing my career. Just like in nursing, every bit of help can add up to make a big difference. Thank you for considering my request.

My career goal is to be in the law enforcement field. I have not narrowed down a specific area of law enforcement and I would like to keep my options open as I proceed through college. I had previously considered a career in the medical field, so I might try to combine my two interests as I continue my education. During high school, I was a member of the Justice Society at Patterson Mill High School, which is a club for students interested in law enforcement. In addition to my membership in this club, I also volunteered to go on Tobacco Compliance Details with uniformed officers on numerous occasions.

When I was in eighth grade, my father was diagnosed with Pancreatic Cancer and his health proceeded to decline over the next two years. In the beginning of my sophomore year of high school, my father passed away. My oldest brother assured me at the time of my father's death that he would be there to help me both financially and emotionally as I finished my education. Tragically, nine months after the death of my father, my brother was murdered. My mother had stopped working when my father became too sick to care for himself and was able to obtain employment after my father's death; however, her income is less than one third of what she previously made.

The Harford County Association of Realtors Scholarship would allow me to pursue my education goals, beginning with Harford Community College and after graduation, hopefully continuing my education at Towson University to obtain a Bachelor Degree. Without financial assistance, I would be unable to attend college, afford books, transportation and other college related fees and expenses. An education in law enforcement offers an expansive umbrella of job opportunities that can only be explored once I have obtained my degrees. My heart is set on this field of study and I want to go as far as I can in this field, so that I can make a difference to others. This scholarship would allow me to achieve these goals.

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The Harford County Association of Realtors Scholarship will assist greatly to help me achieve my goal of becoming a registered nurse. My parents and family instilled in me from an early age the need for continued education to assure my financial ability to become financially independent. More importantly, they instilled in me a desire to learn all that I can and to genuinely care about people. My academic accomplishments, my success in working part-time and maintain my honor roll status and my involvement in the community demonstrate that I am able to set goals and achieve them.

I am the child of a loving, single mother who worked very hard to remain independent of the welfare system my entire life. My father, also loving and attentive, was not able to contribute financially because of a medical disability. He was diagnosed with Myasthenia Gravis, a rare disease. It was difficult growing up but poor grades were unacceptable by either parent. I appreciate your guidance.

I plan to pursue a career in Nursing and will use my degree, training and experience to help my community. There are many public health issues facing our community and nation: the opioid crisis, substandard housing, poor performance while in school leading to poor work performance, nutrition and the general stress that children are experiencing. I will use my nursing degree to help educate patients in various prevention strategies that will make a difference for the greater good.

When I was younger, I always wanted to be a nurse. My cousins and I would always play "doctor" and pretend to give each other check-ups and needles. We also played with baby dolls. I realized how much I loved doing these things and realized that I was developing an interest in helping people who are ill. My father's disability helped me understand from an early age that those who are ill and or disabled are in special need of nurturing and that nurturing them with a compassionate and caring heart assists their ability to get well.

Growing up my mom was very welcoming. There were several times that some of my less fortunate family members stayed with us for a while. I felt that it was my duty to help take care of them. Over the time, I have developed a caring personality, which has made me more intrigued in nursing. I have taken honors and advanced placement courses in the math and science fields and believe that these courses have enhanced my goal to be a nurse.

Sometimes I get discouraged listening to other people talk about how nursing is a difficult field to get into and how it is very competitive. Some people I know who are in school for nursing tell me it is very difficult and that sometimes they want to switch majors. With the support from my loving family, the motivation of caring for a disabled parent and my outstanding, committed academic performance, I know I am capable of accomplishing my goal. I am not one to be deterred once I have set a goal. I work to accomplish it even though the challenges may be daunting.

I appreciate the opportunity to apply.

As an active member of my community and a student who cares deeply about academic success, my goal is to continue achieving high standards to make a positive difference in the future. To do so, I must earn a degree in a field that I care deeply for, so I can serve others on a larger scale in my upcoming career. I plan to obtain a bachelor's degree in respiratory therapy to help others with their breathing issues, something I once had problems with as well. For me to earn a degree to obtain my goals, I am attending Salisbury University in the fall of 2018. To keep costs low, I am attending an in-state school, but tuition and room and board is still about \$20,000 per year. I am applying for scholarships to help alleviate the financial burden for my parents and lower my student debt when I graduate and start my career.