

Hemophilia of America Scholarship Fund: Guidelines for Annual Scholarship Application

HFA Scholarship Objective

The Hemophilia Federation of America (HFA) will award ten (10) scholarships of \$1,500 annually. The four scholarship categories are: Educational Scholarship, Sibling Continuing Scholarship, Parent Continuing Scholarship, and Artistic Encouragement Grant

HFA Scholarship Goal

The HFA Scholarship Committee aspires to fund at least one application per scholarship type provided that high-quality applications are submitted in each category.

Scholarship Policies

The following policies govern the HFA Scholarship Fund:

1. The HFA Scholarship Committee is responsible for selecting the ten scholarship recipients.
2. All applications and accompanying material must be postmarked by the date specified by the HFA Scholarship Committee to be considered.
3. All committee decisions are final.
4. The committee will notify scholarship recipients of the outcome by mail.
5. Any information submitted with an application will become the property of the HFA.
6. Each scholarship recipient is required to submit proof of registration.
7. All recipients are invited to reapply in subsequent years for renewal as long as they are in good academic standing. This renewal will not be automatic, as each year's applicants will be independently weighed.
8. A personal interview may be required at the discretion of the committee, and may be done by one or more committee members.
9. If attending courses at a school that does not initiate in the fall semester, then the application must be completed in full and submitted to the scholarship committee no later than 90 days prior to the first official day of the course.

Eligibility Requirements by Scholarship Type

I. Educational Scholarship Eligibility Requirements

The prospective applicant must:

- Have a bleeding disorder
- Be seeking a post-secondary education at a college, university, or trade school
- Demonstrate their commitment to improving the quality of their life by pursuing their goals with determination

II. Sibling Continuing Educational Scholarship Eligibility Requirements

The prospective applicant must:

- Be a sibling of a person with a bleeding disorder
- Be seeking a post-secondary education at a college, university, or trade school
- Demonstrate their commitment to improving the quality of their life by pursuing their goals with determination

III. Parent Continuing Educational Scholarship Eligibility Requirements

The perspective applicant must:

- Be a parent of a child with a bleeding disorder
- Be seeking a post-secondary education at a college, university, or trade school
- Demonstrate their commitment to improving the quality of their life by pursuing their goals with determination

IV. Artistic Encouragement Grant Eligibility Requirements¹

The perspective applicant must:

- Have a bleeding disorder
- Demonstrate their commitment to improving the quality of their life by pursuing their goals with determination

Application Requirement

The following documents are *required* for the Educational, Sibling, and Parent scholarships:

1. Completed application
2. Essay
3. Proof of academic standing
4. Statement of financial need and previous year's tax return. If the applicant is a minor, submit parents' tax return.
5. Proof of enrollment
6. Two letters of reference (one professional reference (e.g., Teacher, Clergy) and one reference from an HTC or physician)

The following documents are *required* for the Artistic Encouragement grant:

1. Completed application
2. Samples of work/portfolio
3. Explanation of the proposed project and online/time-frame for the completion of the project (what does the applicant expect to get out of the it and how will it help them in their future artistic pursuits).
4. Statement of financial need and previous year's tax return. If the applicant is a minor, submit parents' tax return.

¹ The Artistic Encouragement Grant can be used for, mounting an exhibition of one's work (i.e., photography, painting, watercolor, animation), publishing a story/book, writing a play, having a recital or any kind of creative endeavor.

5. Two letters of reference (one professional reference (e.g., Teacher, Clergy) and one reference from an HTC or physician)