



“NEED TO \$UCCEED” POST-SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIP

Offered by the Vogt-Morentz Charitable Fund

Application Criteria

1. Applicant must be a former foster youth or non-minor dependent of the court of Contra Costa County.
2. Must be 21 years of age or older to apply.
3. Applicant must provide proof of enrollment in an accredited four-year college, or an accredited/approved vocational program through a community college.
4. A re-entry student who has significantly delayed enrollment in an academic institution or has significant gaps in their educational path may also apply.
5. Scholarships are awarded in two disbursements: \$1,500 initially and \$1,500 after six months. To receive the second disbursement, recipients must submit a six-month progress report along with an updated transcript. A transcript is also required at the time of application. Applicants pursuing vocational programs are eligible for **on one-time scholarship**.
6. Submission deadlines: **June 15th for Fall and December 15 for Spring**.
7. Applicants may only apply **once** during the year; annual scholarships may not be provided.
8. Completed application and supplemental documents may be submitted via postal mail or email to:

VESTIA, Inc.
Attn: Need to \$ucceed Scholarship
400 Ellinwood Way
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523
Email: vestiainc@gmail.com

Applicant Full Name: (print) _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _(_____)_____ DOB: ____ / ____ / ____

Email: _____

9. Please check: your educational status at the time of application:

_____ I will graduate college in the year _____

_____ I have attended college and have LESS than 32 college credits

_____ I have attended college and have MORE than 32 college credits

10. What is your GPA? _____

11. What is your major? _____

12. What are your career goals? _____

13. **Please answer each essay question on a separate paper(s) and submit with completed application.**

A. Describe yourself in your own words.

B. Please share your college experience.

C. What are your interests, passions, activities, jobs, volunteer work?

D. What obstacles or challenges do you believe are hindering your progress toward completing your degree?

E. How do you anticipate that receiving this scholarship will contribute to your success?

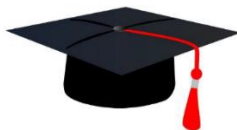
14. Include a copy of your transcript with the completed application.

15. Incomplete applications may not be considered.

Applicant Full Name: (print) _____

Applicant Signature: _____ Date ____ / ____ / ____

The "Need to Succeed" Scholarship is made possible through a generous grant from the Vogt-Morentz Charitable Fund and facilitated by the 501c3 nonprofit organization, VESTIA. For more information, applicants are encouraged to contact their Children & Family Services case worker or Permanency & Transition Operations at (925) 655-0275.



VESTIA Scholarship Committee use only:

Verified: ☐ YES ☐ NO Date ____ / ____ / ____

Date ____ / ____ / ____ **Approved** _____ Amount \$ _____ // **Denied** _____

Authorized Scholarship Committee Signature _____