

# 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 an individual planning to attend or currently attending a 4-year college.
- \* The "BVCA Partnership Vocational Scholarship" will be awarded to an individual planning to attend or currently attending a 2-year or less program at a vocational college.
- \* The "BVCA Partnership SCC Scholarship" will be awarded to an individual planning to attend or currently attending Southeast Community College.

Scholarships will be in the amount of \$1,000 and can be used for tuition, books and fees associated with enrollment. Three scholarships will be awarded this year.

#### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

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

- Applicant <u>must currently reside</u> 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 March 1, 2024. 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 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, 2024. Recipients will be notified directly by BVCA Partnership. All scholarships must be utilized within 12 months of the date on the award letter.

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## APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED OR POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1, 2024.

Please send the completed application packet to:

Blue Valley Community Action Partnership • Attention: Heather Lytle, Administrative Director P.O. Box 273 • Fairbury NE 68352 • Email: changinglives@bvca.net • 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: <u>()</u>		E-Mail Add	lress:
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	\$18,225	\$1,519		
2	\$24,650	\$2,054		
3	\$31,075	\$2,590		Please select which Scholarship you are applying for:
4	\$37,500	\$3,125		<ul> <li>□ "BVCA Partnership Scholarship"         (4-year college)</li> <li>□ "BVCA Partnership Vocational Scholarship"         (2-year or less program at a vocational college)</li> <li>□ "BVCA Partnership SCC Scholarship"         (Southeast Community College)</li> </ul>
5	\$43,925	\$3,660		
6	\$50,350	\$4,196		
7	\$56,775	\$4,731		
8	\$63,200	\$5,267		
Additional Member(s)	\$6,425	\$535	\$	
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 12 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 12 month timeframe, it will be forfeited.				
* If selected, BVCA would like to include you in a press release announcing the scholarship recipients. Do you authorize BVCA to publish your name and city?				
<ul><li>☐ Yes, I authorize BVCA to publish my name and city.</li><li>☐ No, I do not authorize BVCA to publish my name and city.</li></ul>				
Applicant's Signature: Date:				