



# 2023 People Over Profit (POP) Foundation Scholarships for High School Seniors

Recognizing leadership, community service, and academic excellence

Silver State Schools Credit Union, through its People Over Profit (POP) Foundation, annually awards \$2,000 scholarships, renewable up to four years, for a total of up to \$8,000, as long as the student maintains a semester GPA of at least 3.0, all transcripts required.

## Criteria

All student applicants must have applied to an accredited post-secondary school with a program culminating in an associate or baccalaureate degree. The student **MUST** be a Silver State Schools Credit Union member. All applicants must be graduating from an accredited High School within the State of Nevada. Selection of applicants will be based on:

- **1.** Academics (GPA, ACT and/or SAT).
- 2. School activities.
- 3. Community activities (volunteer and/or work).
- 4. The student's essay.
- 5. Recommendations received with the scholarship application.

## Procedure

Applications <u>MUST BE</u> electronically received by the Credit Union via email to <u>marketing@silverstatecu.com</u> by 11:59 pm PST on Friday, March 24th, 2023. Applications received after that time will be disqualified. The selection will be announced by the scholarship committee and awarded at the 2023 SSSCU Annual Membership Meeting, to be held virtually, at 10:00 am PST on Saturday, April 29th, 2023.

The following documents are required and must be completed and attached to the application:

- 1. Application form with Credit Union membership documented (member account number).
- **2.** Copy of the student's High School transcript.
- **3.** Essay from the student.
- 4. Recommendation letter from a teacher. Emailed directly from the teacher.
- 5. Recommendation letter from a community member or employer. Emailed directly from the community member or employer.
- 6. Recommendation letter from a High School counselor. Emailed directly from the High School counselor.
- 7. SAT and/or ACT scores (optional).

## Needs-Based Applications

One of the scholarships will be considered for needs-based students if the above areas are competitive. Selection will be based on the five aforementioned items listed above and:

- 1. Combined household income below \$65,000 (Please include 2021 Income Tax return), and/or
- 2. Catastrophic situation.

## Teacher Applications

One of the scholarships will be considered for a student who is intending to declare his/her major in education with the intent to become a teacher if the above areas are competitive. Selection will be based on their intent and the five aforementioned items listed above.

## Selection

Scholarship winners will be selected by a committee appointed by the SSSCU Board Chairman.

*Entire application packet <u>MUST BE</u> received by the Credit Union via email (<u>marketing@silverstatecu.com</u>) by 11:59 pm PST on Friday, March 24th, 2023. Incomplete applications and late submissions will be disqualified. Questions? Please contact the SSSCU Marketing Department at marketing@silverstatecu.com.* 

#### The scholarships are named as follows:

The *Arlene Parkinson Scholarship Award* was established in recognition of retired Board Chairman Arlene Parkinson. A teacher, counselor, and administrator with the Clark County School District, Arlene Parkinson served as a SSSCU volunteer for over 26 years.

The *Bart Roche Scholarship Award* was established in recognition of retired Board member and founder Bart Roche. A teacher, counselor, and administrator with the Clark County School District, Bart Roche served as a SSSCU volunteer for over 20 years.

The *Leonard Petoske Scholarship Award* was established in recognition of Board member and long-time Chair Leonard Petoske. A retired classroom teacher from the Clark County School District and former Nevada real estate broker, Leonard Petoske served as a SSSCU volunteer for 50 years.

The *William Moore Scholarship Award* was established in recognition of former Board member William Moore. A retired classroom teacher and principal from the Clark County School District, William Moore served as a SSSCU volunteer for over 20 years.

The *Terry Mannion Scholarship Award* was established in recognition of former Board Member and Board Chair, Terry Mannion. A retired classroom teacher, counselor, dean, assistant principal, principal and assistant superintendent for the Clark County School District, Terry Mannion served on the SSSCU board for over 25 years.

The *Harold McKay Scholarship Award* was established in recognition of one of the seven original founders and long-time Credit Union manager, Harold McKay. Notably, his first 'office' was his briefcase that still hangs on the wall at the SSSCU Headquarters building.

The *Andrew Hunter Scholarship Award* was established in recognition of past SSSCU President/CEO, Andrew Hunter. Noted for his leadership in helping the Credit Union weather one of Nevada's toughest economic conditions, Andrew Hunter served as President/CEO of Silver State Schools Credit Union for nearly 5 years from 2011 through 2016 and has served the credit union industry for over 30 years.

The *Joyce Woodhouse Scholarship Award* was established in recognition of former Board Member Joyce Woodhouse. A Director of 15 years for the Clark County School District Partnership Office, State Legislator as Senator for the State of Nevada since 2007, and 15 years of service as a SSSCU Board Member.

The **Teresa Yeoman Scholarship Award** was established in recognition of former Board Director and Chairman Teresa Yeoman, an educator with the Clark County School District for over 33 years and an SSSCU volunteer for 31 years of which 14 was served on the Board of Directors. Ms. Yeoman was instrumental in opening the Roadrunner In-School Branch at SECTA and creating the "Student Teller" Mentorship Program for its students.

The *Silver State Schools CU People Over Profit Foundation (POP Foundation) Scholarship Award* was established in 2019 in honor of the Credit Union's newly formed charitable arm. The mission of the POP Foundation is to provide our local community with the necessary tools to build a better future by educating, empowering, and enhancing our community for the common good.

Scholarships are paid out in \$2,000 annual increments for a maximum scholarship award up to \$8,000. The scholarships are renewable upon receipt of transcripts showing a maintained college grade point average of 3.0. Recipients are responsible for submitting documents to process scholarship renewals and have six years from award date to claim scholarships. Our scholarship program is designed for Silver State Schools Credit Union members, graduating from an accredited High School within the State of Nevada. Membership at SSSCU requires a savings account with minimum balance of \$25.00.