

SAN BRUNO

Community Foundation



2023 Crestmoor Neighborhood Memorial Scholarship Information for High School Seniors

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 7, 2023, 5:00 P.M.

Apply online at www.sbcf.org

Founded in 2016, the Crestmoor Neighborhood Memorial Scholarship provides multi-year college scholarships to exceptional San Bruno students who have demonstrated a strong commitment to the San Bruno community. The Crestmoor Scholarship honors the community members who most directly endured the destruction of the 2010 gas pipeline explosion that devastated San Bruno's Crestmoor neighborhood, especially the eight San Bruno residents who lost their lives. It ensures that the tragedy of September 9, 2010, is not forgotten and that the resiliency, teamwork, leadership, and commitment to the community displayed in San Bruno in the aftermath of the explosion are honored in the Scholarship's annual recipients.

Application Checklist

- ✓ **Online Application Form**, including:
 - Applicant information
 - Activities list
 - Two mandatory essays (one on academic/career goals and one on commitment to the San Bruno community)
- ✓ **Supporting Documentation**
 - Financial need documentation (copy of FAFSA Student Aid Report or, for AB 540 students, CA Dream Act Application Student Aid Report)
 - Proof of San Bruno residency (for applicants who do not attend a high school located in San Bruno)
 - Certifications & Authorizations Form
- ✓ **Letter of Recommendation**, to be uploaded by the recommender
 - One letter from an adult who can directly speak to applicant's demonstrated commitment to the San Bruno community is **required**
 - Applicants may choose to submit an **optional second** letter of recommendation (not required)
- ✓ **Academic Record Form and Official High School Transcript**, to be completed and uploaded by applicant's high school counselor

2023 Awards

Crestmoor Neighborhood Memorial Scholarships are available on a competitive basis as follows:

For graduating high school seniors who will enroll at a four-year college:

\$20,000

(\$5,000 per year for up to four years)

For graduating high school seniors who will enroll at a community college:

\$5,000

(\$2,500 per year for up to two years)

Scholarship awards may be used for tuition, fees, books, required supplies, room and board, and transportation. Scholarship renewals will be contingent upon proof of enrollment for the following academic year and proof of status as a student in good standing at the college. (The Foundation also offers Crestmoor Scholarships to community college students transferring to four-year institutions.)

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must:

- Live in San Bruno or attend a high school located in San Bruno at the time of application
- Plan to enroll, during the fall of 2023, as a first-year student at an accredited four-year college or university or an accredited community college
- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or, for AB 540 students, the California Dream Act Application

Criteria

The Scholarship Program's goal is to assist outstanding San Bruno students who have demonstrated a strong commitment to the San Bruno community obtain a college degree.

Scholarship Recipients must demonstrate, as the top criteria, deep engagement and involvement in the San Bruno community. Other factors that will be considered during the selection process include, in no particular order; an applicant's financial need, extracurricular activities, academic record, and examples of leadership, teamwork, and collaboration. The Foundation may also consider whether an applicant has overcome significant challenges or obstacles and how those circumstances may have affected the applicant's school activities, other community involvement, or achievement in school.

Applicants selected as Crestmoor Scholars are required to attend and be recognized at the June 7, 2023, SBCF Board meeting.

Questions? Email scholarships@sbcf.org. For full program guidelines, visit www.sbcf.org.