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SUBJECT: California State Pipe Trades Scholarship Foundation Contest

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For the year 2022, by approval of the CSPTC Executive Board, we have expanded our scholarship awards from thirty-two (32) to forty (40) scholarships in the amount of \$2,500 to be awarded to the winning scholarship applicants. Please notify your members of the scholarship program and refer them to the California State Pipe Trades Council website, [www.calpipes.org](http://www.calpipes.org), for the scholarship application and contest rules. Our website documents are updated yearly and are therefore the accurate source for this scholarship material. Applicants submitting documents from any other source may be at a disadvantage due to outdated information.

I have enclosed a copy of the scholarship application and contest rules printed from our website. Please take care to use the current application and rules, as the essay question changes from year to year. Because some members might not have internet access, it is advisable that you photocopy these documents and mail them to all of your members with the enclosed cover letter printed on your Local Union letterhead. For your convenience, we have emailed all of these documents to you as well.

If your Local Union sends a periodic newsletter to membership, please make an announcement about the scholarship contest and provide our website address for the rules and application.

Applicants are responsible for adhering to the contest rules and instructions, and for submitting all required material to the California State Pipe Trades Council Scholarship Foundation. In order to process applications in a timely manner, applications and the required accompanying material will be accepted beginning November 1, 2021. **All submitted material must be postmarked no later than March 1, 2022.** That includes transcripts mailed directly from schools to the California State Pipe Trades Council Scholarship Foundation. Please note that all application materials must be received within five business days after this deadline. We have extended the deadline slightly from last year to give more students an opportunity to apply.

The applications will be verified for eligibility by our office and then forwarded for judging to an external, independent panel comprised of UC Berkeley alumni with experience in grading and awarding scholarships to deserving students.

Winners will be announced during the California State Pipe Trades Convention in May 2022.

Scholarship Foundation award checks will be sent to the Business Manager of the Local Union to which the student's parent belongs. The Business Manager is responsible for notifying the winning student and presenting the award check in whatever manner they feel is appropriate.

We appreciate your participation in this process and welcome any suggestions you may have for future implementation. Without your assistance, this program would not be a success.

We are asking all candidates to contact their local first with questions regarding the Scholarship. Please contact me directly if there is a question you have that is not answered by the application or rules.

Enclosures

Cover Letter to Union Member

Scholarship Contest Rules and Applications

Dear Member:

I am pleased to notify you once again of this wonderful opportunity. The California State Pipe Trades Council Scholarship Foundation awards college scholarships to children of U.A. Local Union members in good standing. In order to apply, your child must be either:

- 1) A high school senior graduating in June 2022 and planning to attend a U.S. community college, 4-year college, or university during the coming academic year;
- 2) A full-time community college student continuing full-time attendance during the coming academic year, or planning to attend a U.S. 4-year college or university during the coming academic year; or
- 3) A full-time student currently attending a U.S. 4-year college or university and continuing full-time attendance during the coming academic year.

Forty scholarships in the amount of \$2,500 will be awarded to the winning applicants. ***Applications and the required accompanying materials will be accepted beginning November 1, 2021. They must be postmarked no later than March 1, 2022.*** Applications must be received within ***five business days*** after this deadline. **Please note this is an earlier submission period than previous years.**

The following materials are enclosed:

- ***Scholarship Contest Rules and Application*** for full details regarding applying for the scholarship. The Application portion on page 3 should be completed by the applicant. The applicant must ensure that the specified section at the bottom of the application ***is completed by the parent's Local Union.***

You can also find the instructions and download the rules and application on the California State Pipe Trades Council website at [www.calpipes.org](http://www.calpipes.org). If you have questions or need additional information, please contact my office for further assistance.

I hope your children will take advantage of this great opportunity.

Fraternally,

Business Manager

Enclosure(s)

## Scholarship Contest Rules, Instructions, and Application

Applications and additional required material will be accepted between November 1, 2021 and March 1, 2022. A U.S. Postal Service official postmark of March 1, 2022 will be accepted. **In order to ensure applications are processed in a timely fashion, applications received more than five business days after the postmark deadline of March 1, 2022 will not be accepted.** We are aware that some college acceptance letters will not have been distributed before this deadline. However, it is the applicant's responsibility to submit all other materials on time, and supplement their application with the acceptance letter **as soon as possible, and in any event no later than March 31, 2022.** Only COMPLETE applications will be eligible for an award.

Forty (40) college scholarships of \$2,500 each will be awarded to the children of members of Pipe Trades Local Unions affiliated with the California State Pipe Trades Council.

These scholarships must be used for full-time undergraduate study at an accredited U.S. community college, four-year college, or university. The California State Pipe Trades Council Scholarship Foundation will not impose restrictions of any kind on the course of study. Recipients may accept any other grants or awards which do not rule out scholarship aid from other sources.

### Who May Apply

Children of U.A. members may apply. The member must be a parent, legal guardian, or custodial step-parent of the applicant and must be a current member, in good standing for at least a full year, of a Local Union affiliated with the California State Pipe Trades Council. Students' transcripts must reflect a cumulative, unweighted grade point average of no less than 2.5.

### The Applicant

- **High school seniors** graduating in June 2022 and planning to attend a U.S. community college, 4-year college, or university during the coming academic year must provide an official high school transcript as well as proof of enrollment at, or acceptance to, a community college, four-year college, or university.
- **Full-time community college students** must provide an official community college transcript verifying full-time attendance. Full-time community college students planning to attend a U.S. 4-year college or university during the coming academic year must provide an official community college transcript verifying full-time attendance, as well as proof of enrollment at, or acceptance to, a four-year college or university.
- **Full-time students currently attending a U.S. 4-year college or university** and continuing full-time attendance during the coming academic year must provide an official college or university transcript verifying full-time attendance.

⇒ If the school transcript does not list your "classes in progress," you must provide documentation that clearly verifies your current full-time registration.

***\*Please note: Proof of application to colleges/universities does not meet the required proof of enrollment or acceptance.\****

Most schools have a processing period for transcripts – we **strongly** advise getting your transcripts as early as possible to ensure they arrive before the deadline.

### Awarding Scholarships

After verifying the eligibility of the applicants, the California State Pipe Trades Council Scholarship Foundation will submit completed applications for judging by an external, independent panel comprised of professional educators through the University of California Berkeley.

Applicants will receive points based upon the following criteria: academic achievements (2); school activities (2); community service (2); application form (2); essay style (4); and essay content (8) -- a possible total of 20 points. The University Scholarship Selection Committee will submit the list of scholarship finalists to the California State Pipe Trades Council Scholarship Foundation.

Scholarship winners will be announced at the California State Pipe Trades Convention in May. **Winners will be notified and presented award checks by the Business Manager of their parent's Local Union. Please contact your local if you have questions about award checks.**

### Instructions

The following items must be received:

- 1.) Application - to be completed by the applicant; Note: under "Information Pertaining to Qualifying Parent," the applicant must ensure that the parent's **Local Union** completes the specified section at the bottom of the application, **including the Business Manager's signature**. Applications without the Business Manager's signature will not be accepted.
- 2.) An official school transcript as detailed under "Who May Apply," is to be submitted by a high school official or college official and mailed directly to the California State Pipe Trades Council Scholarship Foundation. A transcript removed from the officially sealed school envelope, or in a school envelope with a broken seal, will not be accepted.
- 3.) Proof of enrollment at, or acceptance to, a community college or four-year college or university for the coming academic year.
- 4.) Letters of recommendation - applicant must submit one to three current letters of recommendation giving information about the applicant's character and ability. These letters may be from teachers, community leaders, family friends, or others who know the applicant. Please submit the letter(s) of recommendation with the application.
- 5.) 1,000-word essay on the following subject:

California voters just defeated a recall of Governor Gavin Newsom that by some estimates cost the state more than \$250 Million. 18 years ago, former Governor Gray Davis was successfully recalled by voters.

Describe the public policy strengths and weaknesses of the recall provisions of the California Constitution. What reforms, if any, do you think California Legislators should consider to the recall process? Please discuss the arguments for and against these potential reforms. If you disagree with the need for reforming the recall process, please defend your position.

**It is the responsibility of the applicant to see that all the above items are received on time at the following address:**

California State Pipe Trades Council Scholarship Foundation  
1121 L Street, Suite 207  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**For applications being sent close to the deadline, we encourage you to use an overnight or priority mail service through USPS or UPS. Applications postmarked March 1, 2022, but not received within five business days will not be accepted. Please check with your chosen mail service to ensure the application will arrive on time. *Note that as of this posting, all mail carriers are experiencing delays due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Please plan appropriately.***



# California State Pipe Trades Council Scholarship Foundation Application

This is a partial scholarship to be applied toward the tuition, books and materials of the student selected to receive it. Scholarships will be awarded based on a point system. All information in this application and other required material will be held in strict confidence.

To apply you must be:

- 1) a high school graduate or the equivalent; OR currently enrolled full-time at a community college, accredited college or accredited university
- 2) enrolled in or accepted by a U.S. community college, or 4-year college or university for the coming academic year for full-time undergraduate study
- 3) the son or daughter of a current UA member (**your parent, custodial step-parent, or legal guardian**) in good standing and affiliated with the California State Pipe Trades Council. *See pages 1 and 2 for complete rules.*

Applications and additional required material will be accepted November 1, 2021 through March 1, 2022.

**Late or incomplete submissions will not be considered.** Please type or print in ink.

*An official postmark of March 1, 2022 is the last postmark date that will be accepted for any submission.*

*Please note that we allow five business days to receive mail postmarked March 1, 2022.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

Telephone number(s) ( ) ( )

High school/college currently attending (name & city) \_\_\_\_\_

High school/G.E.D. graduation date \_\_\_\_\_

College/university where enrolled or accepted (name & city) \_\_\_\_\_

Provide below or by separate document an outline of achievements, honors, work experience, vocational or professional training, internships, certificates of proficiency, community service, hobbies and affiliations.

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Enclose with this application a 1,000-word essay per the instructions on page 2.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

### INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THE QUALIFYING PARENT

Parent's full name \_\_\_\_\_

**IT IS THE APPLICANT'S RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT THE FOLLOWING SECTION IS COMPLETED BY THE QUALIFYING PARENT'S LOCAL UNION HALL AND SIGNED BY THE BUSINESS MANAGER.**

The above named parent is a member of U.A. Local Union # \_\_\_\_\_ Initiation date \_\_\_\_\_

Union member in good standing for one full year prior to the Business Manager's date of signature below: YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS MANAGER'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_