



The Youth Ag & Leadership Foundation of Sonoma County, a non-profit 501c (3) corporation, was established in 1982, today our mission is to empower and support youth agricultural education and leadership development in Sonoma County. Through the Foundation we hope to promote and inspire Sonoma County youth participation in agriculture, leadership and educational activities through scholarships, grants and a place for youth to meet.

## **2020 Scholarships Available**

### ☐ **Richard M. Kunde Scholarship**

The Richard M. Kunde scholarship is for a high school senior who will be attending a 4-year California college majoring in **Viticulture**. The scholarship will be up to the amount of **\$20,000 over 4 years** depending on continued eligibility.

### ☐ **Saralee McClelland Kunde Scholarship**

The Saralee McClelland Kunde scholarship is for a high school senior who will be attending a community college or 4-year college in California majoring in any field of Agriculture. The scholarship will be up to the amount of **\$20,000 over 4 years** depending on continued eligibility.

### ☐ **Dr. Fred Groverman, DVM Scholarship**

Dr. Fred Groverman Scholarship - \$1,000, is available to Sonoma County 4-H members who have been active in 4-H a minimum of 4 years, including his/her Junior and Senior years of high school. Dr. Groverman is looking for an individual who has experience in agriculture and leadership. Applicant must be entering or attending a college or accredited trade school and majoring in Agriculture or a form of leadership.

### ☐ **Beverly C. Wilson Scholarship**

The Beverly C. Wilson Scholarship will grant \$2,500 annually to a Sonoma County graduating high school senior or college student attending a four-year accredited university, preferably to study Business or Agricultural Business. Eligible applicants must have minimum 3.0 GPA. The young person selected for the scholarship will have a balanced history of community service and dedicated leadership as well as a motivated work ethic in the spirit of Beverly C. Wilson.

### ☐ **Men's Garden Club Scholarship**

The Men's Garden Club Scholarship is available to Sonoma County residents pursuing a career in agriculture or Agri-Business. Applicant must be entering or attending a college or accredited trade school.

### ☐ **The Saralee Community Service Scholarship**

The Saralee Community Service Scholarship will grant \$2,500 annually to a young person 21 years or younger who had demonstrated excellence in volunteerism and leadership and who is committed to making a difference in our community.

### ☐ **Joe DeGrazia Memorial Scholarship**

The Joe DeGrazia Memorial Scholarship is available to Sonoma County residents pursuing a career in agriculture. Applicants must have some agriculture experience, such as an agricultural 4-H project, or work experience on a ranch. They must be entering or attending a college or trade school.

### ☐ **The Dempel/Johnson Scholarship**

A one \$2,500 scholarship available to Sonoma County residents pursuing a non-agricultural career. Applicants must have been active in 4-H a minimum of 4 years, including his/her junior and senior years of high school. They must be entering or attending a four-year university or college. This scholarship is available to applicants who have received other 4-H Foundation scholarships, but may receive this scholarship only one time.



### ☐ **American Ag Credit Scholarship**

The American Ag Credit Scholarship is available to Sonoma County residents pursuing a career in Agriculture or Agri-Business. They must be entering or attending a college or trade school.



### ☐ **Youth Ag & Leadership Foundation of Sonoma County Scholarship**

Available to Sonoma County 4-H or FFA members who have been active a minimum of 4 years, including his/her Junior and Senior years of high school. Applicant must be entering or attending a college or accredited trade school.

### ☐ **Jim Groom Memorial Scholarship**

The Jim Groom Memorial Scholarship will grant \$2,000 to Sonoma County 4-H or FFA members who have been active a minimum of 4 years, including his/her Junior and Senior years of high school. Applicant must be entering or attending a college or accredited trade school.

### Scholarship Criteria/Requirements:

- All scholarships are available to graduating high school seniors, junior college students, continuing four-year college students or trade/vocational school students.
- All applicants must have been in Sonoma County 4-H or FFA depending on the scholarship award eligibility.
- A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 is required for all Youth Ag & Leadership Foundation Scholarship applicants and a 3.50 is required for the Richard M. Kunde & Saralee McClelland Kunde Scholarship applicants.
- Applications must be complete, and signed.
- Recommendation letters must be written within the calendar year, (January 2020)
- Official High School or Official College transcript is required, due by mail or official email.
- Photo of Applicant – Digital high resolution jpeg file emailed to:  
[office.youthagleadership@gmail.com](mailto:office.youthagleadership@gmail.com) **(Please no printed photos)**
- All completed applications must be received by the deadline of indicated below.
- Applications that are incomplete or fail to meet the deadline will be disqualified.

### How to Apply:

- There is one common application for all scholarships administered by the Youth Ag and Leadership Foundation of Sonoma County.
- Applications **must be typed**, and signed.
- A check list of the additional application materials for a complete application is included.
- All completed applications must be received by the deadline of **5pm March 13, 2020**.
- **Mail/email completed application and required documents to:**  
**Youth Ag & Leadership Foundation, PO Box 1283 Rohnert Park, CA 94927 or to**  
[office.youthagleadership@gmail.com](mailto:office.youthagleadership@gmail.com)

### Process:

- Applications will be reviewed for requirement compliance to determine the finalists for interviews with the Foundation scholarship selection committee.
- **ALL finalists must participate in a mandatory oral interview** (in person interviews are preferred, but if candidate has a hardship that prevents them from an in person interview, a Skype interview may be scheduled) on one of the pre-scheduled days: Friday, April 10, 2020 or Saturday, April 11, 2020.
- An additional interview day may be scheduled depending upon number of finalists.

### If Selected:

- Proof of enrollment and a copy of the “thank you” letter written to the scholarship donors must be received prior to issuing a check to scholarship recipients.

## Scholarship Check-Off Cover

To ensure that all of the materials needed for a complete application are included, please check off this form and include it with your application.

### REQUIRED DOCUMENTS (Due by 5pm, Friday, March 13, 2020)

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#### **SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Please type all the fields and sign the last page to complete application.

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#### **TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION**

From a teacher, 4-H leader, FFA advisor, school principal or employer (must have been written within the calendar year (January 2020), include applicant's name and may not be written by a parent or close relative).

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#### **TRANSCRIPT**

Most recent **Official** High School or **Official** College transcript required.

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#### **PHOTO OF APPLICANT**

Digital high resolution jpeg file is required. (Can be emailed to [office.youthagleadership@gmail.com](mailto:office.youthagleadership@gmail.com) or submitted with the application on a flash drive.) Please, no printed photos)

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#### **PERSONAL STATEMENT**

No more than two pages, typed and double space.

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#### **ACADEMIC RESUME**

(list of achievements, community service, etc.)

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#### **4-H RECORD BOOKS AND/OR SENIOR PAGES (OPTIONAL)**

#### **OFFICE USE ONLY**

Application Received by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Application Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please Type*

FULL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PERMANENT ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

HOW LONG AT THIS ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

CUMULATIVE HIGH SCHOOL GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ CUMULATIVE COLLEGE GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S OR GUARDIAN'S NAME(S) AND WHERE EMPLOYED:

FATHER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ OCCUPATION: \_\_\_\_\_

MOTHER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ OCCUPATION: \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY YEARS HAVE YOU BEEN IN 4-H? (If none write N/A and skip next 2 questions): \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT YEARS WERE YOU A MEMBER OF A SONOMA COUNTY 4-H CLUB?

WHAT 4-H EVENTS/ACTIVITIES HAVE YOU PARTICIPATED IN?

HOW MANY YEARS HAVE YOU BEEN IN FFA? (If none write N/A and skip next 2 questions) \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT YEARS WERE YOU A MEMBER OF A SONOMA COUNTY FFA CHAPTER? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT FFA EVENTS/ACTIVITIES HAVE YOU PARTICIPATED IN? \_\_\_\_\_

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LIST HIGH SCHOOL, JUNIOR COLLEGE AND COLLEGE(S) ATTENDED (INCLUDING PRESENT SCHOOL) \*\*Do not include single courses or night school

HIGH SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR GRADUATED: \_\_\_\_\_

JUNIOR COLLEGE: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_

COLLEGE: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY, JUNIOR COLLEGE OR TECHNICAL SCHOOL YOU PLAN TO ATTEND: \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR YOU PLAN TO ATTEND: \_\_\_\_\_

INTENDED FIELD OF STUDY: \_\_\_\_\_

FOR WHAT OCCUPATION ARE YOU PREPARING: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please Type*

**PLEASE LIST THE AMOUNT AND NAMES OF ANY GRANTS OR SCHOLARSHIPS THAT YOU HAVE BEEN AWARDED FOR THE COMING SCHOOL YEAR:**

ESTIMATED COST OF SCHOOL YEAR:

TUITION: \_\_\_\_\_ BOOKS: \_\_\_\_\_  
FEES & SUPPLIES: \_\_\_\_\_ TRANSPORTATION: \_\_\_\_\_  
ROOM & BOARD: \_\_\_\_\_ PERSONAL EXPENSES: \_\_\_\_\_  
TOTAL EXPENSE FOR SCHOOL YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_

IN 250 WORDS OR LESS EXPLAIN YOUR FINANCIAL NEED FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP:

**PLEASE ATTACH TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION from a teacher, 4-H leader, FFA advisor, school principal or employer (must have been written within the calendar year, include applicant's name and may not be written by a parent or close relative), PERSONAL STATEMENT OF NOT MORE THAN TWO TYPED PAGES, DOUBLE-SPACED AND OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT.**

Applications due by 5 p.m. Friday, March 13, 2020

All of the information provided on this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I certify that I am applying for full-time enrollment to either a four-year College or University, a two-year Community College or a Vocational/Trade School. I have read and understand the criteria of this scholarship program. I have included a complete set of the application and required documents. I understand that the selection of scholarship recipients is at the sole discretion of Youth Ag & Leadership Foundation of Sonoma County.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_