

THE GEORGE AND LINDA PRICE SCHOLARSHIP

A Program of the Hemophilia Association of the Capital Area

Background

The mission of the George and Linda Price Scholarship Fund for HACA members with bleeding disorders is to offer financial assistance for the pursuit of higher education and to encourage promising candidates to become future leaders in the bleeding disorders community.

The Hemophilia Association of the Capital Area's George and Linda Price Scholarship was established to honor the generous volunteerism of George and Linda Price. From the time their youngest son, Greg, was diagnosed with hemophilia B to the present day, George and Linda have been actively involved with the chapter. They both became members of HACA's Board of Directors in 1984 and served in various capacities on that board until the mid 1990s. Linda has been a mentor mom to countless newly diagnosed families throughout the years and she has served on the Executive Committee of Region 3 as well as on the Patient Advisory Committee for Wyeth Pharmaceuticals. George has served as Chapter President and has chaired several nomination committees. You can still find Linda and George actively participating in events such as our annual Blood, Sweat & Gears Bike-a-thon and willingly sharing an encouraging thought with newly diagnosed families both on the phone and at chapter activities.

Eligibility

People living with a bleeding disorder, their siblings, or their parents who are active members of the Hemophilia Association of the Capital Area are eligible to apply. Priority will be given to those members who actively participate in HACA activities. Your home must be located in Northern Virginia, Washington DC, or Montgomery or Prince Georges Counties in Maryland. Applicants must be high school seniors, college freshmen, sophomores, and juniors. College seniors who are planning to attend graduate school or students who are already enrolled in graduate school are also eligible.

Scholarships

The scholarships are one-year awards in the amount of \$2,500 for a full academic year. We will award two scholarships per year. The scholarships may be used at any accredited nonprofit college, university, or vocational/technical school in the United States. The scholarships will be applied toward a student's educational expenses.

A student who receives an award in one year may reapply in later years, but winning a scholarship in one year does not necessarily mean that the student will win in a later year.

Application Procedure

Prior to February 1 of each year, HACA will announce the beginning of the competition for the awards. Applications are distributed to those who request them by mail or through the HACA web site (www.hacacares.org). Detailed instructions are contained in the application. The deadline for applying is **May 1**. Applications and supporting documents must be postmarked by that date. Applications and supporting documents postmarked after May 1 and/or incomplete or faxed applications or will not be considered. Scholarship recipients will be notified of their awards on July 1.

Payment of Scholarship Funds

Payments for the scholarships are made in the following way: for undergraduate work, scholarship checks, payable to the schools, are sent to the recipients on the following schedule:

- For schools on the **semester system**, the first check for one half of the award is mailed on or about August 1. The second check for the remainder of the award is mailed on or about December 1.
- For schools on the **quarter system**, the first check for one third of the award is mailed on or about August 1. The second check for one third of the award is mailed on or about November 1, and the third check for the remainder of the award is mailed on or about February 1.

For students who plan to attend graduate school or who are already enrolled in graduate school, the checks are made payable to the recipients, and are mailed in response to requests for reimbursement for educational expenses incurred by the recipients. Scholarship recipients must present evidence that they have paid the educational expenses in order to be reimbursed, or they may present an invoice from the school as evidence that payment must be made.

Responsibilities of Recipients

Scholarship recipients must enroll as a full-time college student in the fall of the year in which the scholarships are awarded and continue in school for the entire academic year without interruption, barring illness, emergency, or military service.

Scholarship recipients are responsible for making certain that their Scholarship Checks are delivered to their colleges.

Application Instructions

(Read very carefully and follow exactly)

The following instructions must be followed carefully in order to receive full consideration for a Hemophilia Association of the Capital Area scholarship.

If you are a **high school senior** or a **college freshman, sophomore, or junior**, follow the steps below.

1. Complete the "High School Record Request" Form. See that it reaches the office of the high school you are now attending or from which you graduated by *April 15th*. A high school record is required even if you already enrolled in college as a freshman, sophomore, or junior.
2. Please complete the "Letter of Recommendation Cover Sheet" and provide one letter of recommendation from a teacher or family friend and one letter of recommendation from an HTC provider, nurse, or social worker or from a chapter staff person. (Total: 2 letters of recommendation)
3. Complete the "Scholarship Application"
4. Complete the "Essay" Form. The topic of the essay should be "What I have done to contribute to the bleeding disorders community and how I plan to contribute to the bleeding disorders community in the future." Your essay should contain a minimum of 500 words.
5. If you are a college freshman, sophomore, or junior, attach an official transcript of all of your college grades to your application. The transcript must contain grades for the first semester or quarter of the current academic year. A grade report is not an official transcript.
6. Mail the completed application by *May 1*. **DO NOT FAX THE APPLICATION.**

If you are a **college senior** planning on graduate studies, you should ignore step 1. Instead, enclose an official transcript of your college grades from your freshman year through the first semester or quarter of your senior year in college. Follow steps 2-6 as printed above.

If you are **already enrolled in graduate school**, you should ignore step 1. Instead, enclose an official transcript of your undergraduate work and an official transcript of your graduate work through the first semester or quarter of the current academic year.

Mail completed application to:

The George and Linda Price Scholarship
HACA
10560 Main St., PH 4
Fairfax VA 22030-7182

Do you feel that your high school grades were an accurate index of your ability? ?Yes ? No

If not, what were the factors that prevented you from doing better? _____

If you have already attended college, list all colleges and universities you have attended and dates of attendance. List first the institution you are presently attending or last attended.

Name of College/University	City/State	Attendance Dates (month/year)
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		

What special recognition have you received for outstanding schoolwork, athletics, community involvement or other extracurricular activities in high school and/or in college?

Release of Information Waiver

I am an individual with a congenital bleeding disorder or a parent or sibling of a person with a bleeding disorder in need of financial assistance to complete vocational, undergraduate, or graduate studies at an accredited institution of higher education. I authorize the release of information to the Hemophilia Association of the Capital Area in order to verify all statements made in this application. I also give permission to use my name/and or photo in HACA's web site, HACA News, or any other press release that HACA deems appropriate.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

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Essay for George and Linda Price Scholarship

Applicant's Name: _____

Applicant: Use the space below to respond to the following essay topic. Your essay should be a minimum of 500 words long.

What I have done to contribute to the bleeding disorders community and how I plan to contribute to the bleeding disorders community in the future.

Letter of Recommendation Cover Sheet

Please obtain at least one recommendation from a teacher or family friend and one from a person in the hemophilia community, i.e.: a physician, nurse coordinator, social worker, or chapter representative.

Name of applicant: _____

Recommendation Letter By:

Name (please print): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Position and/or relationship to applicant: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (_____) _____

Please mail or fax this completed form along with your letter of recommendation by *May 1* directly to:

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Fax: 703-352-2145
E-mail: hacacares@aol.com

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Instructions to applicant:

High school transcripts are needed for applicants who are high school seniors, college freshmen, sophomores or juniors. If you are a college freshman, sophomore, or junior, college transcripts are required containing grades for the first semester or quarter of the current academic year. A grade report is not an official transcript. You may copy this form if you have multiple record requests.

1. Complete only the "To" and "From" sections of this form.
2. Get the form to your high school guidance office by *April 15*.

REMEMBER: You are responsible for making sure all requested documents reach us!

To: Guidance Office

Name of School: _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone Number: (____) _____ **Contact Name:** _____

From: Scholarship Applicant

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Social Security Number: _____ **Year of High School Graduation:** _____

To comply with the provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, permission is hereby given to school officials to release the secondary school record and other requested information.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Guidance Counselor:

The student named above is applying for a scholarship. Please follow the instructions below.

1. Fill the boxes below with the requested information.
2. **Staple to this form** a copy of the applicant's high school record. Be sure that the applicant's class rank and test scores appear on the records.
3. Sign the certification statement below.

Check one: ? Public High School ? Private High School ? Special or Magnet School

Class Rank		ACT composite (not percentile)	PSAT Verbal (not percentile)	PSAT Math (not percentile)	SAT Verbal (not percentile)	SAT Math (not percentile)
Number in Class						

I certify that the above information is correct:

Counselor's Signature

Mail this form along with the high school record, postmarked by *May 1* to:

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