

The logo for RCCD Scholarships is a white rectangular box with a black border, containing the text "RCCD Scholarships" in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The box is set against a background of colorful, abstract geometric shapes in shades of green, blue, and yellow.

## RCCD Scholarships

# High School Seniors

Riverside Community College District offers scholarships for High School Seniors planning to attend Moreno Valley College-MVC, Norco College-NC or Riverside City College-RCC during the 2018-2019 academic year.

Qualifications for scholarships vary, such as financial need, academic performance, your selected major or academic program, career goal, club or volunteer and community involvement, etc. To receive a scholarship, you must complete the scholarship application and go through the eligibility and selection process. Scholarships are usually awarded to the student(s) who best fit the criteria as established by the donor or organization providing the scholarship funds.

**Important:** Your complete online scholarship application must be submitted on or before the deadline:  
**April 30, 2018**

No late applications will be accepted! Please mark your calendar and begin early to meet the deadline.

### How to apply:

Go to the financial aid page at [www.mvc.edu](http://www.mvc.edu), [www.norcollege.edu](http://www.norcollege.edu) or [www.rcc.edu](http://www.rcc.edu) for all information you need to apply for RCCD Scholarships for High School Seniors. Please follow the steps outlined below:

1. Read the information regarding applying for scholarships on the Financial Aid webpage at [www.mvc.edu](http://www.mvc.edu), [www.norcollege.edu](http://www.norcollege.edu) or [www.rcc.edu](http://www.rcc.edu). Be sure to follow all directions exactly.
2. **Important:** Apply for admission to Moreno Valley College, Norco College or Riverside City College and activate your student email address. Then, email Paula Farish at [paula.farish@rcc.edu](mailto:paula.farish@rcc.edu) with your name and college student ID number. You will receive a return email to let you know when you can log-in to apply for scholarships.
3. Complete the online scholarship application: Once you have received an email that you can begin the application process, go to the Financial Aid page at the MVC, NC or RCC website, select Scholarship Information and click on Apply for RCCD Scholarships.
  - You will be asked to enter your student email address and create a password. The scholarship application system will send an email to confirm your identity. Click on the link in the email to sign in to create and submit your scholarship application and any required documents.
  - After you create a log-in account at the scholarship application site, the first page you are directed to will be the scholarship general application. Be sure to answer all questions completely and accurately (also see the information about the personal essay questionnaire below). Your answers will help determine your eligibility for each scholarship. For some of the questions there may be help text included if you hover on the question.
  - You will be automatically matched to scholarships for which you meet the criteria.
  - Once you are matched to scholarships, you will need to click on the name of the scholarship and complete additional questions. You will also be asked to upload an unofficial copy of your high school transcript.
  - Be sure to click the "Save" or "Submit" buttons at the bottom of the scholarship application each time you make any additions or changes. You will have up to the deadline to finish all revisions to your application. Be sure to log in now and then for any messages from the system that need your attention. You will see important information in the message bar at the top of your page.
4. Ask at least one qualified person to complete a Scholarship Recommendation Questionnaire.
  - The recommendation needs to be completed by an individual who can attest to your current academic strength and potential for success.
  - Ask the person who will provide the recommendation for their email address.
  - During the application process, you will be asked to enter the email address of the individual who will provide the recommendation. That individual will receive an email from the Scholarship Application service and then they will log in to complete a recommendation questionnaire. You will not be able to see the recommendation, but you will

know if the recommendation has been completed. Only the reviewing committee will have access to the recommendation.

- Please be sure to request your recommendations early!
- Optional: Additional Scholarship Recommendations (only one is required but you can have up to three).

5. Personal essay questionnaire: Part of the RCCD scholarship application requires you to answer scholarship essay questions which are an important part of your application. The answers to these questions will help those reviewing your application gain a better understanding of you as a student and individual. Tip: Compose the answers to the essay questions outside of the scholarship application, then cut and paste the answers into your application.
- In the questionnaire, you will be asked to address the following questions:
    - Please briefly introduce yourself to the scholarship reviewing committee. (150 words or less, or about 12 lines of text)
    - What are your career goals and your educational plan to meet these goals? Tell us about why you have selected your current major and career goal and any life experiences which may have influenced this decision. Also tell us about your anticipated role in society after your career goal has been achieved. (200 words or less, or about 15 lines of text)
    - Do you have any activities, volunteerism, interests or responsibilities that you are involved with? Tell us about any accomplishments or achievements that you are proud of. (200 words or less, or about 15 lines of text)
    - Have you had any challenges or life-changing experiences you would like the scholarship committee or donor to know about? What have you learned from these experiences? Also, tell us about any unusual circumstances which may affect your current financial situation. (250 words or less, or about 18 lines of text)

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### RCCD Scholarships for High School Seniors:

**Dell Roberts Endowed Scholarship:** The Dell Roberts Endowed Scholarship was established in 2003 by the friends and colleagues of RCCD Foundation Board member Dell Roberts in recognizing his retirement after a 33-year career with the Riverside Unified School District and his unprecedented commitment to serving the youth of our region. It is awarded to incoming students with a 2.5 GPA or higher and community involvement.

**Megan E. Clarke Memorial Scholarship:** The Megan E. Clarke Memorial Scholarship was established in memory of Megan Clarke, a 2004 Poly High School graduate, who lost her life in a tragic automobile accident that same year. Megan had planned to attend RCC's School of Cosmetology. This scholarship is awarded to an incoming Riverside City College Cosmetology student.

**Paul Barron Memorial Endowed Scholarship:** The faculty and staff from the School of Cosmetology created the Paul Barron Memorial Endowed Scholarship in memory of Paul at his untimely passing. This scholarship is awarded to a high school graduating senior entering the Riverside City College Cosmetology program.

**Roy L. Haglund & Martha Haglund Waite & Ernest K. Waite Endowed Scholarship:** The members of the Haglund and Waite families have served the greater Riverside community with distinction. They are known as philanthropists in the most positive definition of that term. Martha attended RCC after World War II. During that time her father, Roy Haglund, was the president of the Cutter Foundation. Ernest K. Waite is a former fundraiser and retired office manager, and Head of Accounting for Sage's Market.

**The Community Scholars Program:** The Community Scholars Program is a joint endeavor of The Community Foundation, Riverside Community College District Foundation, California Baptist University, La Sierra University, the University of Redlands and other generous philanthropists in our community. This scholarship is for outstanding students from Riverside County to pursue their collegiate studies at any college within Riverside Community College District for two years (Moreno Valley College-MVC, Norco College-NC and Riverside City College-RCC) and to meet the requirements for transfer and acceptance to one of the participating four-year universities listed above.