

BELCHER FOUNDATION EAGLE SCOUT SCHOLARSHIP

The Donald D. and M. Marie Belcher Charitable Foundation has established a special scholarship fund for Eagle Scouts who have plans to attend a four-year college or university following high school graduation.

The funding will be a 2-year \$7,000 college scholarship awarded each year in the amount of \$3,500 the first year, renewable for a second year, with at least 24 college credits completed and a college grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or above.

To qualify, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Have attained the rank of Eagle Scout in the Greater Los Angeles Area Council, Boy Scouts of America and be currently registered in Scouting as youth or adult.
- **Be a graduating high school senior entering college in the year for which the school year for which the scholarship is applied.**
- Have achieved a high school un-weighted cumulative GPA at or above 3.0.
- Have demonstrated leadership ability in Scouting and a strong record of participation in activities outside of Scouting.
- Have need of financial assistance and provide a statement clearly stating why they believe they need financial assistance, signed by the applicant and countersigned by a parent.
- Plan to attend an accredited four-year college or university.
- Show evidence of the desire, commitment and capacity to complete an undergraduate college degree.
- Provide one signed recommendation letter from a Scout leader who knows the applicant personally.

Applicants who have served as summer camp counselors/staff will receive special consideration in the selection process.

The scholarship funds can be used for tuition, room, board and books for as long as a recipient remains a full-time student during the life of the scholarship. The funds will only be paid directly to the college/university that the recipient attends.

All documents must be scanned and submitted to the Greater Los Angeles Area Council through the web address below no later than April 3, 2024.

Recipients along with their family will be notified of their selection by April 15, 2024. Please remit your completed application to:

Belcher Foundation Eagle Scout Scholarship

Web Address:

<https://greaterlascouting.org/belcher-foundation-eagle-scout-scholarship/>

- * Applications received after the due date will not be considered.
- * Incomplete applications or information received on forms other than this scholarship form will also not be considered.

BELCHER FOUNDATION EAGLE SCOUT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Applicant's Name: _____ Age: ____ Birth date: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip: ____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

You must be currently registered with the Greater Los Angeles Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, to apply for this Scholarship.

Please list the unit in which you are registered: Troop/Crew: _____ District: _____

College(s)/University(ies) Applied to: _____

Most recent un-weighted cumulative High School GPA _____ (Applicant must provide physical evidence of this un-weighted cumulative GPA, e.g. High School Transcript)

Scouting History: Cub Scout Varsity Scout Scouts, BSA Venturer Explorer

Number of Years: _____ _____ _____ _____

Date earned Eagle Scout Award: _____ Troop#: _____

SCOUTING RECORD

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS HELD

(Check all that apply)

- ☐ Patrol Leader
- ☐ Assistant Senior Patrol Leader
- ☐ Senior Patrol Leader
- ☐ **Junior Assistant Scoutmaster**
- ☐ Varsity Team Captain
- ☐ Varsity Squad Leader
- ☐ Varsity Co-Captain
- ☐ National Camp School
- ☐ O/A Lodge Chief
- ☐ O/A Section Chief
- ☐ O/A Nation Office
- ☐ O/A Chapter Chief
- ☐ Venturing Crew/Ship Officer
- ☐ Other _____

NATIONAL AWARDS EARNED

(Check all that apply)

- ☐ BSA Lifeguard
- ☐ 50 - Miller Award
- ☐ Heroism Award
- ☐ Historic Trail Award
- ☐ **Honor Metal**
- ☐ Honor Medal with Cross Palms
- ☐ Hornday Award
- ☐ Medal of Merit
- ☐ O/A Vigil Honor
- ☐ O/A Founder's Award
- ☐ O/A Distinguished Service Award
- ☐ **Religious Emblem**
- ☐ Merit Badges (Please give total number earned.) _____
- ☐ **Palms** (Please give total number earned.) _____

PARTICIPATION

- ☐ Other Scouting positions/awards (Please specify.) _____

Have you participated in any of the Following? (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Council Camp
- ☐ Philmont
- ☐ **Other high-adventure bases**
- ☐ National Scout Jamboree
- ☐ World Scout Jamboree
- ☐ National Camp Staff
- ☐ O/A member (Ordeal or Brotherhood)

Summer camp staff experience **Yes or No** (circle one) If yes, list year(s), position(s) served and name Of camp(s). _____

SCHOOL-BASED ACTIVITIES

(Check all activities you have been involved in for at least one full school year during high school.)

Sports

- ☐ Baseball
- ☐ Basketball
- ☐ Cross-Country
- ☐ Football
- ☐ Golf
- ☐ Soccer
- ☐ Swimming/Diving
- ☐ Tennis
- ☐ Track
- ☐ Volleyball
- ☐ Wrestling
- ☐ Other (Please Specify.) _____

Clubs and Other Activities

- ☐ Band/Orchestra
- ☐ Choir
- ☐ Chess
- ☐ Computer
- ☐ Debating
- ☐ Drama/Theater
- ☐ Foreign Language
- ☐ Club Officer
- ☐ History
- ☐ International
- ☐ Math
- ☐ Science

- ☐ Model UN

- ☐ National Honor Society
- ☐ Student Council/Government (except class president)
- ☐ Class President
- ☐ Tutoring/Peer Counseling
- ☐ Yearbook/Magazine/Newspaper (except editor)
- ☐ Editor (yearbook, etc.)
- ☐ Boys States
- ☐ Future Business Leaders of America
- ☐ Key Club
- ☐ National Beta Club
- ☐ National FFA organization
- ☐ Students Against Destructive Decisions
- ☐ Other (please specify.) _____

You may expand on any of the activities checked if you would like to.

ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL AND SCOUTING

(Check all activities you have been involved in during high school for at least one year outside of school and Scouting.)

SPORTS (Select or club teams or equivalent for at least one year during high school.)

- ☐ Baseball
- ☐ Basketball
- ☐ Football
- ☐ Martial Arts
- ☐ Soccer
- ☐ Other (Please specify.) _____

CLUBS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

- ☐ Blood Drive
- ☐ Civic
- ☐ Community Theater
- ☐ Exchange Student Program
- ☐ Food Drives
- ☐ 4-H
- ☐ Hospital
- ☐ Junior Achievement
- ☐ Kiwanis
- ☐ Music
- ☐ Red Cross
- ☐ Rotary
- ☐ The Salvation Army
- ☐ Tutoring
- ☐ Other (Please specify.) _____

RELIGIOUS INVOLVEMENT

- Youth Group
- Other (Please specify.) _____

You may expand on any of the activities checked if you would like to.

Briefly **explain your career goals** for the future and why attending a four-year college or university will help you attain them.

FINANCIAL NEED

Please attach to this application a clear statement of your financial need. This is important information. Please go into detail, keeping in mind the following questions:

- What distinguishes your need from others and sets you apart? What is unique about your need?
- What have you done to date to help yourself get a college education?
- What are your parents' occupations?
- If you do not receive this scholarship, how will you arrange to go to college?

Discuss special family situations, for example, a disability, one-parent family, ill health of a parent, a parent's loss of job, number of siblings, number of siblings in college the year you plan to attend, etc.

EMPLOYMENT

Father/Guardian	Employer	Position

Mother/Guardian	Employer	Position

Please indicate your family's gross income (income before deductions) as reported on last year's income tax return

- ☐ Less than \$41,000
- ☐ \$41,000 - \$50,000
- ☐ \$51,000 - \$60,000
- ☐ \$61,000 - \$70,000
- ☐ \$71,000 - \$80,000
- ☐ \$81,000 - \$90,000
- ☐ \$91,000 - \$100,000
- ☐ \$100,001 - \$125,000

FAMILY SIZE

Please indicate the number of income tax dependents currently residing in your home.

- ☐ 6
☐ 5
☐ 4
☐ 3 or fewer

MEDICAL PROBLEM

Please list any medical problems
(E.g. cancer, diabetes, disabilities, etc.) that has
affected your family and its financial status.

(Broken bones, dental work, orthodontic, work, eyewear, or other normal medical expenses are not to be considered medical problems for the purposes of this application.)

OTHER FACTORS

(Please check all that apply)

- ☐ Over \$200,000
 - ☐ One parent household
 - ☐ **Other children in college**

List the jobs you have held during the past two years:

Employer	Months Employed	Amount Earned Before Deductions
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This Year _____

Last Year	
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On your own, how much money have you saved to assist in your college education? \$_____

Please do not send in income tax returns (W-2)

Please provide and attach the following with the completed application.

☐ One signed letter of recommendation from a Scout Leader whom you know personally.

☐ School certified GPA transcripts.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent: _____ Date: _____

Print Parent's Name: _____

Signature of Scoutmaster: _____ Date: _____

Print Scoutmaster's Name:

TO THE APPLICANT: *Please review the application carefully before submitting it to the council. Make sure you have completed all items and that all required signatures have been obtained. Make sure that all additional statements and addendums are attached. Please note that there is not one item or category in the application that is more important than another item or category. In reviewing the application all items and categories are reviewed and considered in the selection of the successful applicant.*