REDWOOD MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

2024 Scholarship Program

Application Packet for:

Eel River Valley, Southern Trinity and South Fork High School Seniors
College Students

OR

Community Members of Eel River Valley, Van Duzen Valley
and Southern Humboldt County

Applications must be received by:

Monday, April 15, 2024
Redwood Memorial Foundation Scholarship Checklist

Incomplete application packets will not be considered. Please be sure to complete and/or include the following items:

_______ Two (2) letters of recommendation from individuals other than relatives who are familiar with your character, abilities, and career interests.

_______ Special course/program description and criteria or an acceptance letter from an accredited educational institution.

_______ Estimate of enrollment expenses.

_______ A one-page typed personal statement regarding your interest in healthcare and intentions for your future in healthcare, or how the program/course would benefit employment at Redwood Memorial Hospital. *The quality of the essay is an important part of the screening process.*

For Local High School Seniors Only:

_______ High school transcripts.

_______ A notice of acceptance from an accredited educational institution.

For All Other Applicants Who Are Currently Enrolled in an Educational Program:

_______ Transcripts.

For Employees or Community Members:

_______ Include a letter from your supervisor (this can be one of the two letters of recommendation already required).
REDWOOD MEMORIAL FOUNDATION
2024 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM INFORMATION

**Philosophy** The Redwood Memorial Foundation believes that the field of healthcare is unique, requiring special talents and qualifications. Increasing the education of employees and potential employees will broaden the base of decision-making, promote new ideas, and improve job satisfaction. It will also improve the quality of healthcare delivered to the patients at Redwood Memorial Hospital and the Eel River Valley Community, Van Duzen River Valley, and Southern Humboldt County.

**Purpose** The Tuition Assistance Program is designed to facilitate participation in healthcare education for Redwood Memorial Hospital employees, potential employees, and residents of the Eel River Valley, Van Duzen River Valley, and Southern Humboldt County pursuing careers in Nursing (including LVN’s), Medicine, Pharmacy or Physical Therapy.

**Source of Funding** Funds have been set aside by the Redwood Memorial Foundation to support the Tuition Assistance Program. The Foundation encourages contributions, at any time during the year, to our scholarship program to benefit employees of Redwood Memorial Hospital and members of the Eel River Valley, Van Duzen River Valley, and Southern Humboldt County Communities.

**Description** Each year the Foundation may grant up to $6,000 in scholarships for individuals in the following categories:

1. High School Seniors residing in the Eel River Valley, South Fork, and Southern Trinity High School communities pursuing careers in Nursing (including LVN’s), Medicine, Pharmacy or Physical Therapy.

2. Community residents residing in the Eel River Valley, Van Duzen River Valley, and Southern Humboldt County communities pursuing careers in Nursing (including LVN’s), Medicine, Pharmacy or Physical Therapy.

3. Group I, II, or III Redwood Memorial Hospital employees furthering job skills or pursuing careers in the Nursing (including LVN’s), Medicine, Pharmacy or Physical Therapy.

The Redwood Memorial Foundation reserves the right to award $0 to $6,000 in scholarships annually, with individual amounts to be given at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee.

**Application/Awards** In order to be considered, application packets must be received in the Foundation Office, Attn: Candy Ziegenbein, no later than April 15, 2024. Winners will be notified by May 1st and may be announced in the employee Huddle, local newspapers, and Health System publications. Winners will be invited to the Foundation Board meeting in May. If the recipient does not use the award for its intended purpose, or if the award is not used within one year’s time, the award will be forfeited and returned to the scholarship fund within the Foundation. Applicants can reapply for these funds annually.
For more information call the Foundation, (707) 725-7270 or visit our website at foundation.providence.org/ca/redwood/about-us/scholarships. Incomplete application packets will not be considered. Applications may be submitted by mail to: Redwood Memorial Foundation – Attn: Candy Ziegenbein, 3300 Renner Drive, Fortuna, CA 95540 or by email to candy.ziegenbein@stjoe.org

All applicants must submit the application packet with:

1. Two (2) letters of recommendation from individuals other than relatives who are familiar with your character, abilities, and career interests.

2. Special course/program description and criteria or an acceptance letter from an accredited educational institution. Also include an estimate of enrollment expenses.

3. For local high school seniors: high school transcripts and a notice of acceptance from the college or program you will be attending. For all other applicants who are currently enrolled in a program, include transcripts.

4. A one-page, typed personal statement regarding your interest in healthcare and intentions for your future in healthcare, or how the program/course would benefit patient care at Redwood Memorial Hospital. The quality of this essay is an important part of the screening process.

Submit to: Redwood Memorial Foundation Scholarship Committee
Attn: Candy Ziegenbein- Foundation
Redwood Memorial Hospital Phone: (707) 725-7270
3300 Renner Drive Fax: (707) 269-3861
Fortuna, CA 95540

Criteria/Eligibility:

1. High School Seniors residing in the Eel River Valley, Southern Trinity High School District, or South Fork High School District with a scholastic achievement of 3.0 or better; demonstrates leadership skills and good citizenship; plus acceptance in an accredited university, college, or technical school with a major in Nursing, Medicine, Pharmacy or Physical Therapy.

2. Community members residing in the Eel River Valley, Van Duzen River Valley, or Southern Humboldt County; demonstrates leadership skills and good citizenship; plus acceptance in an accredited university, college, or technical school with a major in Nursing, Medicine, Pharmacy or Physical Therapy.

3. Group I, II, or III Redwood Memorial Hospital employees with a minimum of three (3) years of continuous employment in the St. Joseph Health System of which at least six (6) months must be at Redwood Memorial Hospital; performance evaluations in acceptable range; acceptance in an accredited university, college or technical school with a major in Nursing, Medicine, Pharmacy or Physical Therapy related field or may be applied toward a healthcare related seminar, workshop, or continuing education program or a program/course which would benefit job skills at Redwood Memorial Hospital.
REDWOOD MEMORIAL FOUNDATION
2024 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Application for Eel River Valley, Southern Trinity, and South Fork High School Seniors or Community Members (this includes College students) of Eel River Valley, Van Duzen River Valley, or Southern Humboldt.

(See Scholarship Program Information for details of criteria & eligibility.)

Date: ____________
Name: ______________________________________________________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________________________________________
Phone: _______________________________ SS#: ___________________________________________
Date of Birth: __________________________
High School (or college): ______________________________________________________________
(For seniors, please attach official transcripts.)

Parent or Legal Guardian (if a minor):
Name: ______________________________________________________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________________________________________
Phone: ______________________________________________________________________________

Health care education program to be attended:
____________________________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________________________

Have you been accepted into a special program? _________ (Attach letter of acceptance.)

Name & address of institution:
____________________________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________________________

Major: ______________________________________________________________________________
Beginning date: ___________________ Anticipated completion date: _________________________

Please list any scholarships received or anticipated: __________________________________________
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Please list or describe your activities such as awards, honors, volunteer work, committee work, and leadership examples related to your interest in healthcare.

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Attach a one-page, typed personal statement regarding your interest in healthcare and intentions for your future in healthcare, or how the program/course would benefit patient care at Redwood Memorial Hospital.

Submit letters of recommendation from two (2) individuals (other than relatives) who are familiar with your abilities and career interests (teachers, ministers, employers, etc.).

Signature___________________________________________________Date____________________

Note: Proof of enrollment and satisfactory completion will be required.
If you have any questions, please call the Redwood Memorial Foundation Office at 725-7270.