

NATIVE AMERICAN FISH & WILDLIFE SOCIETY
REGIONAL NAFWS SCHOLARSHIP GENERAL APPLICATION



APPLICATION PACKET

DETAILS:

The Native American Fish and Wildlife Society (NAFWS) received funds to allocate for the NAFWS' National Scholarship. Our goal is to help Native American and/or Alaskan Native students pursue their career and educational goals in the field of natural resources, by providing financial assistance. The NAFWS National Scholarship amount is \$1000.00 and will be given to recipients for the Fall of 2022.

DEADLINE: Post-marked by OR received by email by **July 1, 2022 by 10 pm Mountain Time.**

ELIGIBILITY:

- A. Must be an enrolled member of a U.S. federally recognized Tribe.
- B. Must be an enrolled full-time student in good standing at an accredited institution of higher learning pursuing a degree in a field of natural resources (no online students) for the award year.
- C. Must be an incoming college freshman, undergraduate, graduate or PhD student.
- D. Previous recipients of a NAFWS Regional Scholarship may be considered and awarded, depending on the number of applicants received.
- E. Scholarship recipients are encouraged to volunteer their time to participate at a Summer Youth Practicum to assist, present, chaperone and be an inspirational role model for our youth.

TO APPLY, submit the following all together in one document through email:

- Completed Regional General Application and Essay
- Up-to-date resume or CV, no need for a cover letter due to the essay requirement
- Enrollment Verification to a College and/or University for Fall 2022
 - A. You can download this from your college student account, if not you may need to contact your registrar's office, for incoming college freshman or graduate student submit a copy of your official acceptance letter. Class schedules, on-campus housing documents or acceptance to on-campus student programs are not acceptable.
- Copy of most recent high school, undergraduate or graduate transcripts (unofficial are accepted)
- Proof of Tribal Enrollment or submission of completed BIA Form 4432

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ADDITIONALLY, you must have two recommenders submit a letter of recommendation to the NAFWS education coordinator:

- 2 signed Letters of Recommendation with a letterhead or at least in letter format:
 - A. One of the three letters must be from a high school teacher or counselor (high schoolers only) OR college faculty or advisor (college students)
 - B. One of the three letters must be from a person who has worked with or knows of Tribal relations (i.e. appointed or elected Tribal leader, professor in Native American studies, director of the university's Native cultural center, US Forest Service Tribal liaison, Council delegate, Chapter official, Village or Pueblo leader, etc.)

Letters of Recommendations should be postmarked or received by email by the SAME deadline as application and submitted by the recommender, not the applicant. Recommenders should not include family members (i.e. guardians, parents, grandparents, siblings, cousins). Also, one letter cannot serve for both of the A and B requirements, you need one A letter, and one B letter.

*****Only completed applications will be considered this includes all letters of recommendation. The NAFWS Education Coordinator is not responsible for notifying students of missing application materials. You may email the NAFWS Education Coordinator to ask if they have received all your documents, but be sure, to do so in advance of the deadline date to receive a reply in adequate time. *****

MORE INFORMATION:

To determine which NAFWS region you will apply for, you can access a map of our regions is on our [website](#).

Students will be notified through email and phone call if they are selected as a recipient of the scholarship, students will also be notified if they were not selected for the scholarship through email.

The scholarship check will be sent to the students' institution and not to the student, so the student needs to be sure to include their student ID and institution's address in their application.

Scholarship applications will be evaluated and selected based on a rubric and point allocation system by a selection committee to ensure efficient and equal opportunity. If you would like to know the rubric in which the scholarship selection will be based on, you can see the rubric on our website (nafws.org) on the scholarship page.

AFTER RECEIVING SCHOLARSHIP, RECIPIENTS ARE REQUIRED TO:

- Submit required tax documents (Form W9)
- Submit a short bio with a profile picture of yourself for the NAFWS website, this must be done before the NAFWS sends your scholarship award to your institution.

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GENERAL REGIONAL APPLICATION:

**** PLEASE COMPLETELY FILL OUT THE APPLICATION ****

FULL LEGAL NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____ TRIBAL AFFILIATION: _____

COLLEGE AND/OR UNIVERSITY: _____ STUDENT ID NUMBER: _____

ADDRESS TO COLLEGE AND/OR UNIVERSITY'S FINANCIAL AID OFFICE: _____

EDUCATION LEVEL: Undergraduate, Year: _____ Graduate PhD Student

MAJOR AND/OR MINOR: _____

NAFWS REGION YOU ARE APPLYING TO: _____

ESSAY PROMPT:

ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER, PLEASE TYPE A SHORT 450 - 550 WORD ESSAY (Typed: 12-point font, Times New Roman, Double-spaced) TO ANSWER:

- How will you make an impact in Natural Resources in Indian Country?
- What is a major environmental and/or natural resources issue in your community? Why? How would you manage and address that issue? Give one example of a management technique, idea, program or case study in your answer (be sure to cite it or URL link to it).
- Why do you think you are a great candidate for the scholarship?

SEND COMPLETED APPLICATION TO DESIGNATED CONTACT BELOW:

For more information contact AND/OR to send complete applications to:

Ashley Carlisle, NAFWS Education Coordinator

Email: acarlisle@nafws.org

Phone: 303-466-1725 Ext. 4

Website: nafws.org

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT AND GET THIS APPLICATION? (SCHOOL, TRIBAL NATURAL RESOURCE DEPT., WEBSITE, FACEBOOK, NAFWS MEMBER, FRIEND, PARENT, EMAIL, POSTED, ETC): _____