

Krome Educational Fund Scholarship Application

Information

The Krome Educational Fund was established by William H. and Phoebe Krome to help individuals with farmworker backgrounds, and their children, attain a higher standard of living than that into which they were born. The Fund will accomplish its purpose by providing financial assistance with the expenses of college education to those who otherwise could not attend college. An award, up to \$2,500, is given to the individual(s) selected. Redlands Christian Migrant Association (RCMA) administers the Fund under guidelines established by the RCMA Board of Directors.

Eligibility

A scholarship from the Krome Educational Fund is available to individuals who are:

- 1) An employee of RCMA (minimum three years) at the time of their application and a former farmworker, or
- 2) Children of those employees of RCMA, or
- 3) Children of other farmworkers, if the children have been cared for in some manner by RCMA (i.e. alumni)

Grants

Grants will be made for no more than one academic period (term or semester). Grantees may reapply for up to three additional periods following the normal application process. The Designees may specify that an award winner will be considered for renewal of the award for **up to three academic periods**. Subsequent period grants will be conditioned on continuous enrollment during the academic year, satisfactory completion of all coursework with a cumulative 2.5 GPA or better, and continuing financial need, among other factors.

Application Instructions

*Completed applications must be submitted, received via email or postmarked **by May 5, 2023**. Applicants will be notified of determination **by end of May 2023**. **IMPORTANT: Incomplete applications will not be accepted.***

Complete your application online:

www.rcma.org/scholarship

OR send scanned copy of the printed application via email to:

KromeScholarship@rcma.org

Subject line: Krome Scholarship Application – *Name of Applicant*

Note: Applications sent via email must be signed by the applicant (bottom of page 5) and submitted in PDF format.

OR mail to:

RCMA
Attn: Krome Scholarship
402 West Main Street
Immokalee, Florida 34142

Requirements

- Participation by yourself or your parents in the farmworker sector
- Involvement with RCMA
- Demonstration of good work habits
- Evidence of likelihood of success in completing a college education
- Acceptance by or current enrollment at a post-secondary educational institution (Community College, College or University)
- Financial need

We look forward to receiving your application.

Please print legibly.

Applicant Checklist:

- ___ Double check that all fields have been completed within the application
- ___ Make sure essays were written
- ___ Reference letters requested
- ___ Confirm that reference letters were submitted by the appraiser
- ___ Confirm that all items were received successfully by the deadline

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PERSONAL INFORMATION		Today's Date: _____	
Last Name:		First Name:	Middle Initial:
Date of Birth: (mm/dd/yyyy):		Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	
Mailing Address:			
City:		State:	Zip: County:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:	Email address:	

FARMWORKER BACKGROUND		
Who in your family has worked in agriculture?		
Number of years worked in agriculture:	States traveled:	Dates of travel:
Type of agricultural work done:		

HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION INFORMATION			
Name of High School Attending/Attended:			
City:	State:	Graduation Year:	Unweighted GPA:

List and briefly describe any work experience. Most recent employment.		
Employer:	Position:	
Supervisor:	Date of Employment:	Beginning Date:
		End Date:

How did you hear about the Krome Scholarship? Check all that apply		
<input type="checkbox"/> Former applicant or recipient	<input type="checkbox"/> Flyer	<input type="checkbox"/> Parent
<input type="checkbox"/> RCMA website	<input type="checkbox"/> School	<input type="checkbox"/> College/University
<input type="checkbox"/> RCMA staff	<input type="checkbox"/> Migrant Education Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):

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If you or your parent(s) were/are employed by RCMA, please indicate the following:		
Name:	Position:	Work Location:
Did you attended an RCMA program? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, name of Center or Charter School: _____ Year(s) of Attendance: _____		
If neither you nor your parent(s) were employed by RCMA, tell us about your connection or involvement with RCMA. Be specific.		

COLLEGE EDUCATION INFORMATION			
Check one: <input type="checkbox"/> applied <input type="checkbox"/> admitted <input type="checkbox"/> currently enrolled			
Name of institution you plan to attend/currently attend:			
City:	State:	Hours Completed:	GPA:
Check one: <input type="checkbox"/> part-time enrollment <input type="checkbox"/> fulltime enrollment			
Major/Intended Major:			
Degree/Intended Degree:			
Attendance dates if currently or previously enrolled:			
For which semester and year are you seeking scholarship funds?			
By when do you need scholarship funds?			
When is tuition due?			
<i>IMPORTANT: Proof of acceptance or current student enrollment will be required for receipt of funds</i>			

FINANCIAL AID (SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS, LOANS, WORK STUDY) INFORMATION	
Is this scholarship the only means by which you can pursue your education? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
I have already filled out my Free Application For Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	FAFSA amount approved for?
If not, why?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Check this box if you would like to speak with a member of the Krome Educational Fund Committee to discuss reasons for not applying for FAFSA	
I will be applying for other types of Financial Aid: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
If so, what type(s)?	
Have you applied for other scholarships? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, how many?	
Have you been awarded other scholarships? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, please list below:	
Name:	Amount:
Name:	Amount:
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ESSAY QUESTIONS

There are limited funds available for tuition support, up to \$2,500, for qualified candidates; therefore, we are interested in helping according to need. Please tell us why you could not attend college without financial assistance. **If awarded, how would you use Krome Scholarship dollars?**

Please describe your personal goals and how receiving this scholarship will help you reach those goals. Your essay should be within 250 – 500 words in length.

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LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Academic Potential - Student Instructions:

Have this section completed by a school administrator, counselor, dean, teacher, employer or personal reference (no relation to candidate) with significant knowledge of candidate's experience and involvement. This form must be completed by someone other than a family member. Up to three letters of academic potential recommendations may be included.

Appraiser's Instructions:

We would appreciate your assessment of the applicant's potential for success, including a description of academic and/or personal characteristics. We are particularly interested in the candidate's maturity, integrity, leadership potential, special talents, enthusiasm, concern for others, respect accorded to faculty/staff and reaction to setbacks that will help us to differentiate this candidate from others. Also include how long you have known the candidate and in what context.

Appraiser Sending Instructions:

Email your signed scanned letter (**PDF file**) directly to: KromeScholarship@rcma.org
Subject line: Krome Scholarship Letter of Recommendation – *Name of Applicant*

OR place the completed recommendation letter in a sealed envelope and sign the seal for security. Mail to:
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CERTIFICATION

If I am selected as a scholarship winner and in consideration thereof, I understand, agree and hereby grant permission to Redlands Christian Migrant Association (RCMA) to use my likeness and name in announcing and promoting this scholarship.

If I am selected as a scholarship winner and do not finish the period for which the grant has been made, I will notify the Krome Educational Fund administrator immediately. **Also, I agree to provide an end of semester report within two weeks of completion of the semester. The report should include the names of courses completed, grades and brief description of how the semester went and what your plans for future study entail.**

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I understand and agree that the Krome Educational Fund Committee is solely responsible for the selection of the scholarship winners and its decision is final. I have completed the scholarship application and have attached the required documentation. In submitting this application, I certify that the information is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

I understand and agree that falsification of information will result in termination of the Krome Educational Fund Scholarship.

Signature: _____ Date: _____