

# 2017 Local Government Federal Credit Union Scholarship

## Application Information and Instructions



**Please read all instructions carefully. Incomplete applications will be withdrawn from consideration. All applicants must be members of Local Government Federal Credit Union in good standing.**

### The program

The Local Government Federal Credit Union (LGFCU) Scholarship Program recognizes excellence and achievement in both academics and extracurricular activities and is designed to help college students pay for educational expenses. As many as 120 graduating high school students and students currently attending colleges, universities and graduate schools will receive awards. Scholarship recipients are determined by:

- ▶ Minimum GPA of 3.0 (unweighted)
- ▶ Leadership roles
- ▶ Community service
- ▶ School activities
- ▶ Typewritten essay

Financial need is also a consideration. Scholarships are awarded in the amount of \$1,000 and provided to the recipient's institution. (No funds are distributed to the students.)

- ▶ Funds are being awarded for the 2017-2018 school year and cannot be deferred

Each recipient is responsible for ensuring the funds are applied appropriately with their respective institution. This includes tuition, books, computer or other fees.

### Eligibility

All applicants must be members of LGFCU. For information on how to become a member, visit [www.lgfcu.org/join](http://www.lgfcu.org/join). Beneficiaries of UTMA accounts are not considered members of LGFCU. LGFCU employees, directors and/or family members are not eligible.

- ▶ LGFCU member in good standing\* must have an individual or joint account
- ▶ Must plan on attending an accredited college, university or community college

- ▶ Must be a full time student (undergraduate 12 hours or graduate 6 hours)
- ▶ Must have achieved an overall unweighted GPA of 3.0 or higher
- ▶ Undergraduates must provide official transcripts from all high schools or college/universities attended
- ▶ Graduates must provide official transcripts from undergraduate and graduate school(s)

The overall GPA in this instance will be determined by placing more emphasis on the school that was attended the longest. All qualified applicants may reapply each year. Previous recipients will not automatically receive a scholarship nor will they be considered without submitting a new application.

### Submitting your application

1. Complete entire application and include it with your final essay (see page 4 for details).
2. Gather official transcript(s). Each student must submit transcripts from all applicable institutions. For details, see page 2. We recommend applicants request all official transcript(s) from institutions six or more weeks before the application deadline.

Late applications will not be considered. No exceptions will be made. This application must be received by **March 31, 2017**, and can be sent by U.S. Postal Service or special delivery.

**Address:** LGFCU Scholarship  
3600 Wake Forest Road  
Raleigh, NC 27609

\* A member in good standing is not overdrawn on Checking or Share accounts.



**IMPORTANT:** This application will not save automatically. In order to retain your work, save this document to your personal computer so the application form can be completed in multiple sessions. LGFCU recommends using the latest version of the free Adobe Reader to ensure all features work properly. You can download the free reader at <http://get.adobe.com/reader/>.

# 2017 LGFCU Scholarship Application



Please read the instructions, then complete this application (print or type only) as accurately as possible and send by mail to LGFCU. **Completed applications must be received no later than March 31, 2017. Incomplete applications will NOT be considered. NO exceptions will be made.**

## STEP 1 GENERAL INFORMATION

APPLICANT'S NAME	APPLICANT'S PHONE (HOME OR CELL)	COUNTY
HOME ADDRESS	CITY	STATE ZIP
SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (Required, but kept confidential)	DATE OF BIRTH	EMAIL ADDRESS
APPLICANT'S LGFCU ACCOUNT NUMBER (Note: applicant must have an individual Share Account or hold a joint Account with a parent)		

## STEP 2 SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

Please indicate type of full-time enrollment of applicant: (Please refer to eligibility section on page 1 for definition of full-time.)

Entire academic year     Spring semester only     Fall semester only     Other \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE	MAJOR/DEGREE PROGRAM
UNWEIGHTED GPA	

## STEP 3 ATTACH COPY OF YOUR MOST RECENT OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT

**Current level of education:** (Please check the appropriate box below.)

High school senior     College freshman     College sophomore     College junior     College senior     Graduate student

**College freshmen must include official high school transcripts, as well as official college transcripts from all colleges/universities attended.** If both official high school and college transcripts are not received, the application will be incomplete and removed from consideration. Graduate students must include their official undergraduate and graduate transcript(s). An **unweighted GPA of 3.0** is required for consideration of a scholarship.

**Please check the box on the last page of the application if official transcript(s) are being sent separately. Failure to do so will be considered an incomplete application and will be withdrawn from consideration.**

**STEP 4 SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

College students may include activities or clubs with which they were involved in high school; however, please distinguish them with parentheses. Or, offer an explanation for lack of participation in school activities.

List the most important school activities with which you were involved, your level of participation and leadership roles (attach an additional sheet if needed):

Activity/Club	Length of participation (Minimum 1 year)	Role in group
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

Which of these school activities was most important to you? Explain why:

**STEP 5 COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

List the most important community activities with which you were involved, your level of participation and leadership roles; or offer an explanation for lack of participation in community activities (attach an additional sheet if needed):

Activity/Club	Length of participation (Minimum 1 year)	Role in group
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

Which of these community activities was most important to you? Explain why:

**STEP 6 CURRENT OR PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT**

List any jobs you had or still have through high school and/or college:

Employer	Dates	Responsibilities
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

**STEP 7 WRITTEN ESSAY**

Please write an essay, not to exceed 300 words, explaining your position on the following topic. This essay must be included on a separate sheet of paper with your name at the top left.

**2017 essay question**

Credit unions care. How are you going to give back to your community, in the spirit of credit union philosophy of “people helping people”, as a result of your college education?

**STEP 8 CERTIFICATION**

All of the information provided by me is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I agree to give proof of the information supplied on this form if required. My signature certifies that all the information provided is complete, factually correct and honestly represented. Falsification of information on this application could jeopardize any assistance offered.

\_\_\_\_\_  
APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

I hereby affirm that I intend to attend an accredited school of higher education. I understand that no scholarship funds shall be transmitted to any educational institution until the Foundation receives notification from the Registrar of the college or university in which I am enrolled. Additionally, I hereby grant permission for the use of my name and information contained in my application in any future publicity for the Credit Union.

\_\_\_\_\_  
APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

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Supplemental Request for Financial Assistance (Optional)



**If you are interested in being considered for a scholarship based on financial need, in addition to scholastic achievement, please provide the following information.**

Total household taxable income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**(From most recent federal tax forms where student is claimed as dependent)**

Estimated funds available:

Scholarships confirmed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

College financial aid \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Savings \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Expected family contribution \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total funds available \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be working to help pay for education expenses?

Yes  No

If yes, please estimate your weekly income. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of dependents in household: \_\_\_\_\_  
**(Claimed on same federal tax forms as above)**

Number of **these** dependents enrolled in college: \_\_\_\_\_  
(please include yourself)

**Include an explanation describing your need for financial assistance:**

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## Application Checklist



To ensure that your application is received before the deadline, we suggest you allow at least 5 business days for mail sent to our office in Raleigh. Please contact the United States Post Office for a detailed schedule of delivery days from your region to Raleigh. For questions regarding the application process, please contact LGFCU at **800.344.4846\*** or by email at **[scholarships@lgfcu.org](mailto:scholarships@lgfcu.org)**.

## Application Checklist

- My application is completed and signed
- I have written an essay of 300 words or less, and have included it with this packet

### Check the boxes that apply to you.

- My official transcript(s) are enclosed
- My official transcript(s) will be sent
  - ▶ College freshman are required to submit both high school and college transcripts.
  - ▶ Undergraduate and graduate students are required to submit college transcripts.
- College acceptance letter(s) from an accredited school (if applicable)
  - ▶ If student has not received an acceptance letter(s), he/she must provide written notice and forward the acceptance letter(s) upon receipt.

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**Deadline:** March 31, 2017

\* Calls may be recorded for quality assurance.

**If any items required are not received by the deadline, the application will be considered incomplete and withdrawn from consideration. It is your responsibility to follow up with your school to ensure that the documents are sent in a timely manner.**