

KARRI CASNER/HERO SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

VAIL VALLEY FOUNDATION – COLORADO MOUNTAIN COLLEGE FOUNDATION

The Karri Casner Scholarship is designed to help immigrants or the children of immigrants obtain a college education. It is open to students attending the Colorado Mountain College Edwards Campus and is not available at other CMC locations.

Students will receive equal funding from the Karri Casner Scholarship as well as the CMC HERO Scholarship Fund. Generally, the standard award for students who are classified as In-District is \$4,000, which will cover nearly 100 percent of all tuition, fees and books required to attain an Associate of Arts or Science degree. Each student and his/her academic and financial status will be evaluated individually to determine an appropriate scholarship award. Students who are classified as Out-of-District will be asked to pay approximately one third of all tuition, fees and book charges in any given semester he/she attends CMC while on scholarship.

To apply for the Karri Casner Scholarship, please complete the attached application and collect the required attachments. All applications must include all of the following items to be considered for funding. Please do not submit an application until you have obtained each of these items:

- Completed application, including the financial section
- Essay
- Current Transcript
- Test Scores
- List of remaining courses/credit hours to complete a degree (for current CMC students) and signed by your counselor (see attached form)
- Letter of Recommendation

Additionally, each applicant will be required to attend an interview with Casner and HERO Scholarship committee members as well as register directly at CMC.

After a scholarship is awarded, each student is required to provide the following items in order to remain in good standing (you will be asked to sign a contract that explains in detail each of the following items):

- Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75
- Official Transcripts sent to scholarship manager at the conclusion of each semester (students must fill out a form at CMC to complete this request)
- One-on-one meetings with representatives of the Karri Casner and CMC HERO Scholarship (usually one per semester)
- Annual update letter sent to applicable donors and/or their representative
- Internship or community service of 40 hours
- Participation/attendance at certain CMC functions designed to introduce students to the scholarship fund donors

Current deadlines:

The next round of scholarship interviews will be determined by the committee.

Questions:

We will gladly answer any questions you may have. Please contact:

Cheryl Lindstrom
Karri Casner Scholarship Manager
Cheryl.Lindstrom@gmail.com
(970) 926-5290

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Name of Applicant

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Cell Phone Number

Alternate Phone Number

E-mail Address

Date of Birth

Age

Permanent Mailing Address

City

State

Zip

Place of Birth

Year arrived in U.S.

Years in U.S.

If you were born in the U.S., indicate where your parents were born and when they arrived in the U.S.

Mother's Birthplace

Year arrived in U.S.

Years in U.S.

Father's Birthplace

Year arrived in U.S.

Years in U.S.

Current Scholastic Status (Please check one box):

High School Student and I expect to graduate:

Month/Year

GPA

High School Graduate and Year Graduated:

Year

GPA

Current CMC Student, and I expect to graduate:

Month/Year

GPA

- Notes:**
- 1) New applicants who have graduated from high school within the last three years (2008 or later) must provide a copy of high school transcript along with ACT, SAT and/or Accuplacer scores. Students with an ACT composite score of 16 or less MUST take the Accuplacer test to be considered for a scholarship, please contact CMC at (970) 569-2900 to take the exam, which is free
 - 2) New applicants over the age of 21 must take and provide a copy of Accuplacer scores (please contact CMC at (970) 569-2900 to arrange a time to take the exam, which is free)
 - 3) Current CMC students must have counselor provide list of courses and credit hours needed to complete degree along with an official copy of current transcript

Current Extracurricular Activities & Honors. For new applicants over age 21, please list hobbies or interests outside of work, especially any volunteer work. (May be attached but limited to one page)

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Applicant Name: _____

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

*This information is confidential and will not be shared with any entity outside of the selection committee
The committee retains the right to request additional financial information (e.g. annual tax returns).*

Your Marital Status: Single Married Divorced

Marital Status of Parents, if living with them: Single Married Divorced

Are there any family or personal circumstances we should take into account when evaluating your scholarship needs (severe/chronic illness of family member; single parent, etc.)?

Your Billing Status: In-District In-State Out-of-District

Please visit www.coloradomtn.edu and review the requirements for tuition billing status. Generally, In-District is defined as an Eagle County resident who is also a U.S. citizen or permanent resident. In-State and Out-of-District students are those do not meet In-District status. (This information is for internal use only and is not shared with any entity).

Please list adults living with you who contribute to the household income:

	Name	Occupation and Employer	Annual Income
Father (or guardian)			
Mother (or guardian)			
Other (husband or wife)			
Other (family or non-relative)			
TOTAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME			

Number of siblings: _____

Siblings attending college: _____

Siblings living at home: _____

YOUR HOUSEHOLD MONTHLY EXPENSES

Mortgage/Rent	\$
Utilities	\$
Food	\$
_____	\$
_____	\$
_____	\$
TOTAL PER MONTH	\$

ESTIMATED FUNDING SOURCES

Your Annual Income	\$
Personal Savings	\$
Parental/Other Support	\$
_____	\$
_____	\$
_____	\$
TOTAL	\$

Have you filled out a FAFSA form (free and open to all U.S. residents)? Yes No

What is EFC according to FAFSA submission? \$ _____

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ATTACHMENTS:

- Essay:** To help us learn more about you, please write a short essay (1-2 pages) on one of the following topics and include with this application: **IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT YOU TAKE THE TIME TO CHECK YOUR GRAMMAR AND SPELLING. THIS IS A VERY KEY ITEM IN YOUR APPLICATION.**
- ◆ Describe a person who has had a significant influence on you, and describe that influence.
 - ◆ Describe the most challenging obstacle you have had to overcome; discuss the impact and what you have learned from the experience.
 - ◆ Tell us about yourself and your motivation for seeking a college degree. Why should we consider you for this honor?
- Current transcript**
- Applicable test scores** – SAT, ACT and/or Accuplacer (See first page of application on what test scores are needed for your application level)
- List of remaining classes** (for current recipients seeking scholarship extension)
- Letter of recommendation**

Applicant SIGNATURE

Date

Please submit ONLY requested materials with your application or you may be disqualified. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Your ensuing scholarship interview will benefit tremendously if you come prepared, poised, and dressed professionally.

Return your completed application, including all required attachments, to:

Karri Casner Scholarship
Cheryl Lindstrom
PO Box 2088
Edwards, CO 81632

Or:

Cheryl.Lindstrom@gmail.com

Fax: (970) 926-5293

Please contact Cheryl Lindstrom with any questions:

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