

EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP FOR CAREER ADVANCEMENT APPLICATION

Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicants must be female, and *at least* 25 years of age by January 15 of the award year
- She must be a U.S. citizen or U.S. national and a resident of Gallatin County
- Be officially accepted into a Montana accredited degree program that will result in an associates, bachelors, or master's degree, or be officially accepted into an accredited certificate program at a school or training facility within Montana (Not to be used for toward a doctoral-level degree, such as a PhD, MD, DDS, DVM, JD, etc.)
- Attend school full time, beginning program no later than December 1, 2018
- Demonstrate clear career plans within a scheduled time frame in which you expect to achieve your education goals
- Be available to attend a personal interview with the Bozeman BPW Scholarship Committee at a location to be scheduled in Bozeman, between January 10 and January 31
- Demonstrate financial need
- All application materials **MUST** be submitted within ONE email submission (application, resume, & reference letter)
- Application Deadline: **January 6, 2018**

Applicant Information

Full Name: _____ Date: _____
Last First M.I.

Address: _____
Street Address Apartment/Unit #

City State ZIP Code

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Are you a citizen of the United States? YES NO Resident of Gallatin County? YES NO

 If no, what country? _____

Additional Information

Date of Birth: _____ Age (as of January 15, 2018): _____

Degree or certificate program into which you've been accepted: _____

List previous degrees and dates earned: _____

Will you work during school? Yes, Full time Yes, Part-time No

How did you learn about the Bozeman BPW Career Advancement Scholarship? _____

Education Program

Field of Study: _____ GPA: _____

Institution: _____ Address: _____

Type of Institution: Vocational/Tech 4-year University Community College Other
Enrollment Status: Currently Enrolled Accepted Acceptance Pending Not yet applied
Type of Degree/Certificate Program: Associates Bachelors Masters Certificate

Starting Date of Classes: _____ Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

Financial Need

How do you anticipate that you will use this scholarship award? _____

Describe your financial needs. _____

Reference

Please list one reference; such as an employer, professor, clergy, etc. References cannot be relatives. Attached to the application and on official letterhead, a signed letter should include a candid evaluation of the applicant's qualifications. The committee is depending on thoughtful observations, especially relative to the applicant's academic, employment and/or volunteer record, ability to undertake and complete her training, and outstanding strengths or characteristics.

Full Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Company: _____ Phone: _____

Job Title: _____

Email: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Education and Work Experience

A copy of your professional resume must be attached to this application. Your resume should include all significant paid and unpaid work, volunteer/community service, and life experiences (travel, children, homemaking, etc.), education and training programs since high school, awards and/or honors received, and any other relevant information.

Essay

(Please attach) In 500 words or less, discuss your specific short and long term goals, including how this training and proposed award will help you accomplish these professional career goals. Include details about how you have prepared for your career up to this point, including your personal life situation and why this scholarship will help meet a financial need. Consider and explain a back-up plan in the event this award is not granted. The Bozeman BPW Scholarship Committee will consider your essay very carefully during our evaluation.

Certification and Release

- I hereby certify that the information provided in this application is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.
- I have read the Application Criteria and Instructions for the Bozeman BPW Education Scholarship for Career Advancement and meet all stated conditions of eligibility.
- I understand that all applications will be held confidential and that submitted materials will not be returned.
- I understand that applications are evaluated based on the applicant's merit and demonstration of clear intent by their precise description of career plans and goals as well as their academic, employment and/or volunteer record; however, financial need will be taken into consideration when all other factors are equal between applicants.
- I understand that Bozeman BPW is not able to award scholarships to all eligible applicants. I understand that recipients are chosen by the Bozeman BPW Scholarship Committee and that Bozeman BPW does not comment on the committee's deliberations or on any applicant's status.
- I understand that Bozeman BPW will notify scholarship recipients by phone, followed by an emailed written notification to all applicants.
- I understand that scholarship funds cannot be used for expenses incurred prior to the period covered by the scholarship grant.
- If selected to receive a Bozeman BPW Educational Scholarship for Career Advancement, I give Bozeman BPW permission to release my name, institution, essay and photograph for promotional and marketing purposes. I understand that upon selection for a scholarship, this information may be released by Bozeman BPW in a variety of marketing formats including website and press releases, unless specifically requested otherwise in the Waiver Request below.

By entering my signature below, I officially indicate my agreement and give my consent to the above terms and conditions of Bozeman BPW.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Waiver Request

Bozeman BPW does not require scholarship recipients to give permission to release information that could put themselves or their families at risk. If releasing your information will endanger you or your family, please answer **'Yes'** to the following question:

Are you requesting a waiver to the release of information? _____

Note: If you do not request a waiver, your information (including name, state, and school) may be included in Bozeman BPW marketing materials, including the website and donor materials.

Signature: _____ Date: _____