



**Call for Applications
for the
Richard C. Emery Business and Finance Scholarship
Academic Year 2024-2025**

The Richard C. Emery Business and Finance Scholarship was created in memory of Rich by Community First Bank/HFG Trust. The purpose of the scholarship is to pay educational costs associated with a degree in Business, Accounting, Finance, Economics, or a related field. While financial need is considered, students are encouraged to apply regardless of their financial need.

Eligibility requirements:

- The applicant must be a resident of Benton or Franklin County.
- The applicant must be a full-time high school senior entering their freshman year of college or a returning college student.
- Applicant must enroll as a full-time student in an accredited college or university.
- Applicant must have a cumulative 3.0 GPA (on 4.0 scale).
- Applicant must have a demonstrated interest in business, finance, economics, or accounting.

Two \$2500 scholarships will be awarded.

(This scholarship is not available to relatives of the Emery Scholarship Selection Committee)

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To apply, please provide the following:

Application Form (Attached).

Essay. Write an essay (500 to 1000 words) telling us about your interest in business, finance, economics or accounting and describe what course work you plan to pursue in this area. Please describe your career goals involving business, finance, economics, or accounting.

References. Please include two reference letters with your application. These letters should be from people who know you through your academic or employment experience or your community leadership and participation. Please do not include relatives as references.

Transcript. Your full transcript from the school you are currently attending can be enclosed with your application or mailed directly to the 3 Rivers Community Foundation.

Deadline: Applications will be accepted from January 2 through March 29, 2024. Send the fully completed application, plus letters of reference and school transcripts to:

Richard C. Emery Scholarship
3 Rivers Community Foundation
7401 W. Hood Place, #140
Kennewick, WA 99336

Final Selection: The final selection process may include a personal interview with the scholarship selection committee. The selection is expected to be completed in April with notification to the award recipient by letter in May.

Payment: Payment of the scholarship award will be made directly to the institution in the recipient's name. Payment will be submitted following receipt of verification of enrollment.

Verification. I affirm that the information included with my application is true and accurate in all respects and that I intend to pursue a post-secondary degree. I understand that if selected, the awarding of funds is contingent upon my full-time enrollment in an accredited institution, and that the funds will be paid directly to the institution and used toward the cost of my education.

Signature:

Date:

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Application Form

Name of Applicant: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: Email: _____

Current High School Students

Name of High School: _____

Cumulative GPA (4.0 Scale): _____

Graduation Date: _____

Where are you planning to use your scholarship? _____

Student ID Number (if available): _____

Include a copy of your acceptance letter if you have already applied and have received your confirmation.

Continuing College Students

Name of school: _____

Current GPA (4.0 Scale): _____

Major: _____

Student ID Number (if available): _____

Financial Questions

Please provide the tuition for the school you are most likely to attend for the 2023-2024 academic year (The cost of tuition should be available on the school's website. Please do not include the cost of Room and Board in this figure.):

Which of the following will be your living situation for the 2024-2025 academic year?

- Live at home with parents/guardian
- Live in college dorm
- Live in own apartment
- Live in shared apartment with roommate(s)

Please estimate your living expenses for the 2024-2025 academic year. Be sure to consider your basic needs, housing, and transportation costs.

- Basic Needs: Food, clothes, health-related items, etc.
- Housing needs: Rent, utilities, fraternity/sorority dues, etc.
- Transportation needs: Gas, bus fare, parking, car insurance, etc.

\$_____ Estimated living expenses

Financial Aid

Will you, or did you apply for financial aid through the FAFSA or WAFSA?

- Yes, I have already applied
- Yes, I plan to apply in the near future
- No, I do not plan on applying

If you are not applying for financial aid through the FAFSA or WAFSA, please explain why. You may skip this question if you are applying for FAFSA or WAFSA.

If you have completed the FAFSA or WAFSA, what is your Expected Family Contribution?

\$_____ Expected Family Contribution

Aid Gap

\$_____ Tuition Cost
+ \$_____ Living Expenses
- \$_____ Financial Aid
- \$_____ Other Scholarships Already Awarded
- \$_____ Savings/Parental Assistance

= \$_____ Unmet need/aid gap

Tax Return

Does your parent or guardian claim you as a dependent on their tax return?

Yes

No

Special Circumstances

Please describe any special circumstances that impact your family financially, such as the unexpected loss of a job or medial problem.

Please describe school activities, awards, and accomplishments (use additional pages if necessary):

Please describe your work experience (use additional pages if necessary):

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