

## Dan Van Dyke Scholarship Form Instructions

### **Purpose**

The purpose of the Dan Van Dyke Scholarship award is to provide college scholarship awards to students who have shown life passion to the service of those in the community around them.

### **Awards**

At least one award of minimally \$1,000 is available annually. Awards are for one year only. All scholarship awards will be paid directly to the recipients.

### **Eligibility**

1. Applicants must be a high school senior planning on attending full time at an accredited college or university.
2. Applicants must be able to demonstrate a passion for community service.
3. Applicants must have a cumulative GPA of greater than 2.5.
4. Applicants must be US citizens.

The Dan Van Dyke Scholarship Awards are awarded without regard to race, sex, religion, age, national origin or sexual orientation. The Van Dyke Foundation will not award scholarships to applicants who are not qualified and reserves the right not to award a scholarship in a given year.

### **Selection Criteria**

1. Demonstrated passion for community service
2. Student essay
3. Letters of recommendation
4. Academic standing (minimum required cumulative GPA of 2.50).

### **Application Requirements**

To be considered for the Dan Van Dyke Scholarship, applicants must complete an application and return it to the Van Dyke Foundation by March 15. The application must include:

1. A completed application form. Only completed application forms will be considered.
2. Two letters of recommendation with at least one from a teacher or school official at the high school.
3. An official high school transcript including GPA.
4. A one page (< 500 words) statement stating the applicant's previous community service work.

All four of the above items must be submitted before the application will be considered.

### **Submission of Application Form**

***Note: All completed application and supporting documentation must be submitted electronically to be considered. No applications sent as a mailing will be opened or considered for the scholarship. All documentation must be sent in ONE email.***

**Application:** The application form starting on page 3 is a fillable pdf file. Fill it out completely electronically, then "Save a Copy". Note that the application requires a signature. You may provide an electronic signature on the application. Completed application forms should be sent as a pdf file to scholarship@vandykefoundation.org. Please include applicant's last name as part of the file name.

**Letters of Recommendation:** Letters of recommendation should be sent as pdf files (with the name of the applicant as part of the file name) to scholarship@vandykefoundation.org. The letter should indicate the capacity in which the letter writer knows the applicant, e.g. as a student, employee, or other capacity. Each letter must also include the letter writer's signature and contact information.

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**High School Transcript:** Your high school registrar must be electronically submitted with your application.

**Essay:** Please provide an essay indicating your previous community service work and passions that created your interest in community service.

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Questions about the application process may be directed to [scholarship@vandykefoundation.org](mailto:scholarship@vandykefoundation.org)

Note that all application materials must be received by March 15

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Form

**A. General Information**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Country of Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

**B. Education Information**

School applicant will attend next fall: \_\_\_\_\_

High school applicant currently attends: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated graduation date: \_\_\_\_\_

What is your cumulative grade point average? (A=4.0): \_\_\_\_\_

Community activities and honors: \_\_\_\_\_

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**C. Essay**

Please submit a one page (<500 word) essay regarding your passion to community service. Please tell us examples of your service, what it has meant to you, and how it has impacted your community. Essays should be typed in an electronic format and submitted electronically with this application.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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### D. Summary

TO COMPLETE THIS APPLICATION YOU MUST:

1. Fill out and send, electronically, this application.
2. Send, electronically, with this completed application a one page (<500 word) essay regarding your passion to community service. Please tell us examples of your service, what it has meant to you, and how it has impacted your community.

***Note: All completed application and supporting documentation must be submitted electronically to be considered. No applications sent as a mailing will be opened or considered for the scholarship. All documentation must be sent in ONE email.***

2. Send, or have sent electronically, to the Dan Van Dyke scholarship program a high school transcript to verify your GPA.
3. Have two individuals complete a letter of Recommendation for the scholarship. At least one of these individuals should be a current teacher or school official. Be certain to remind your references to send these forms by the application deadline. Each letter must also include the letter writer's signature and contact information.

### E. Notes

1. APPLICATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 15
2. Send all application materials in pdf format to [scholarship@vandykefoundation.org](mailto:scholarship@vandykefoundation.org).
3. Questions about the application process may be directed to [scholarship@vandykefoundation.org](mailto:scholarship@vandykefoundation.org)