

# San Mateo Credit Union Financial Education Scholarship

## Information & Guidelines

### **Our Mission:**

San Mateo Credit Union (SMCU) was established in 1952 to serve the San Mateo County community. In keeping with our commitment to assist our youths in the community with their college expenses, the SMCU Financial Education Scholarship Fund was established.

### **Extent of Scholarship:**

The recipients will receive the SMCU Financial Education Scholarship. Awards will assist in paying tuition, housing, book or meal costs and will be paid directly to the college or technical school by SMCU. The \$1,000 SMCU Financial Education Scholarship award will be distributed to two high schools as follows:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Student) \_\_\_\_\_ Scholarship Recipient: \$500
2. \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Student) \_\_\_\_\_ Scholarship Recipient: \$500

### **Eligibility Requirements:**

1. Applicants must be a 2008 High School Graduate and must begin college or technical school in the fall of **2009**.
2. Applicants must have already been accepted at a college or technical school for the fall of 2009, semester/quarter. Verification of acceptance must be provided to the Credit Union.
3. Applicants must have a cumulative high school grade point average of 3.0 or above, need to submit a high school transcript (obtained from your counselor), and SAT scores. Additional consideration will be given to students based on academic standing, community service and school involvement.
4. Applicants must provide 500 words or less typed essay on *"The Value of Having a Credit Union as part of the Community"*.

### **Other Information:**

The awarding of the Scholarship is based on high school academic standing, school involvement, community service, and submission of 500 words or less typed essay on **"The Value of Having a Credit Union as part of the Community"**. Financial need may also be considered.

The maximum award is \$500 per recipient. Awards will assist in paying tuition, housing, book or meal costs and will be paid directly to the college or technical school by SMCU. There is no restriction to applicant's county of residence.

Judging will take place on May 30, 2008 by the College Scholarship Committee and the decision of the judges is final. Winners agree to have their names/photos published in press releases and in SMCU publications where appropriate. Signed release waiver will be required with application.

\*Immediate family members of SMCU employees or board members are not eligible.

Scholarship applications may be obtained at your high school guidance counseling office, San Mateo Credit Union offices or by calling SMCU's Financial Education Department at (650) 562-1233.

### **Completed Scholarship Applications Should be Mailed or Delivered to:**

San Mateo Credit Union  
Financial Education Department  
350 Convention Way, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Redwood City, CA 94063

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: Friday, May 16, 2008**

## SMCU Financial Education Scholarship Application

All applicants must meet the qualifications on the Information & Guidelines sheet.

Name (First, Middle, Last): \_\_\_\_\_

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

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Male: \_\_\_\_\_ Female: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth (Month, Day, Year): \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name and Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name and Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

County in which High School Resides: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Graduation (or anticipated): \_\_\_\_\_

College Major Area of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of San Mateo Credit Union? Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

Are your parents members of San Mateo Credit Union? Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

\*On the back of this application or on an additional attachment, please list any extracurricular activities (clubs, honors, offices held, etc.) and church or community activities.

*--In order for your application to be considered complete, please use this checklist--*

- \_\_\_ 1. Completed application
- \_\_\_ 2. Copy of your high school transcript (from your counselor)
- \_\_\_ 3. Verification of acceptance to your college or technical school **AND** SAT scores
- \_\_\_ 4. A 500 words or less typed essay on *"The Value of Having a Credit Union as part of the Community"*

Please send application, transcript, acceptance letter, SAT scores, and 500 word or less typed essay to:

San Mateo Credit Union  
Financial Education/Scholarship  
350 Convention Way, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Redwood City, CA 94063  
Attn: Richard A. Villareal

Applications must be received at the address on or before the deadline.