



2016 Sister Adele Memorial Scholarship Application



**Applications must be submitted by April 15, 2016.
Incomplete applications *will not* be considered.**



Sister Adele Scholarship Application

Purpose:

To encourage and provide individuals of farmworker families that live in Oregon with the opportunity to further their academic or technical education.

Requirements:

Successful candidates must enroll during 2016-2017 academic year in an accredited community college, 4-year college/university or trade school.

- Applicants must be from a farmworker household.
- Have an Oregon address.
- Applicants must have a high school diploma or its equivalent (GED) and be pursuing/enrolled in a qualified academic program.
- No specific GPA is required, applicants must:
 - a) Submit a complete Sister Adele Scholarship application,
 - b) Submit two letters of recommendation from a teacher/counselor and
 - c) Submit one letter of recommendation from a non-relative as a character reference
 - d) Submit most current high school/college transcript (if you are not able to get one, provide an explanation)
 - e) Submit a list of community or academic awards you have received
 - Applicants must answer one of the following questions in essay form. The required length is a minimum of 500 words not to exceed 1,000. If you are a previous Sister Adele Scholarship winner **you must answer question 2**. If applicable, please include information about future goals and community work:
 - 1) Describe your life as a member of a farmworker family and the obstacles you have had to overcome. How has this influenced you to pursue a higher education?
 - 2) Do you believe that the quality of life of farmworkers in the United States has improved or worsened in the past 20 years? (Quality of life factors can include: Health, Housing, Income, Social and Religion amongst others). Please consider the quote below as you prepare your answer.

“Don’t judge each day by the harvest you reap but by the seeds that you plant”

– Robert Louis Stevenson

Available Scholarships:

Individual awards will range from \$1,000 to \$2,500 per scholarship winner. A total award fund of \$30,000 will be awarded in 2016. The Sister Adele Memorial Scholarship awards are made possible by CASA of Oregon, a private non-profit, through its commitment to improve the quality of life of farmworkers and their families.

The Sister Adele Memorial Scholarship Fund was named after Sister Adele Mansfield, O.S.B. of the Queen of Angels Monastery, Mt. Angel, Oregon. She was an invaluable member of CASA of Oregon’s Board of Directors, where she served in numerous capacities from 1990 to December 2001. Her mission in life was serving the poor and homeless. In 1998, Sister Adele played a key role in establishing adequate housing for farmworkers by opening St. Joseph’s Shelter in Mt. Angel, Oregon. In honor of Sr. Adele, this scholarship provides supplementary assistance to qualified individuals of farmworker households interested in beginning or continuing their post-secondary education.



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How to Apply:

There is no application fee. Applicants must submit a complete Sister Adele Scholarship application and required accompanying documents all at one time. Applications available for download: www.casaoforegon.org/scholarships

For additional information, please contact Edward at (503) 537-0319 ext. 330 or by email: edward@casaoforegon.org

Submit to:

CASA of Oregon
Attn: Edward Gutiérrez
20508 SW Roy Rogers Road
Suite 155
Sherwood, OR 97140

Last day applications will be accepted:

Applications must be postmarked on or before **April 15, 2016**. Hand delivered applications must be delivered by **5:00 p.m. on April 15, 2016**. Late applications will not be considered; no exceptions.

Additional Resources Available:

Additional scholarship programs are available through the following sources:

The Hispanic Scholarship Fund <https://hsf.net/en/scholarships/programs/>

The Oregon Community Foundation (OCF) <http://www.oregoncf.org/grants-scholarships/scholarships>

OCF scholarships offered through the **Office of Student Access and Completion (OSAC)**
<http://www.oregonstudentaid.gov/apply-here.aspx>

The following OSAC scholarships are geared towards first generation immigrant students:

Allcott/Hunt Share it Now II (Code #473)
William E Keene Memorial (Code #674)
Mirabella Employee - Yes Project (Code #672)
William and Florence Schneider (Code #619)

Note: Students can filter through the OSAC catalogue and remove the FAFSA requirement in the search. The results for each scholarship will specifically state whether U.S. citizenship is required or not.

CASA of Oregon also offers the VIDA Individual Development Account (IDA) program to help students pay for school. The VIDA program allows eligible participants to save up to \$3000 and receive up to \$9000 in matching grant funds that can be used towards tuition, fees, and school supplies. For more information go to www.vidaoregon.org or email us at ida@casaoforegon.org



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What type of farmworker household are you from?

Migrant Seasonal Year-round Other: _____

Who in your household is a farmworker? Parent(s) Self Spouse

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Permanent/
Parents Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Current Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: () _____ Work Phone: () _____ Cell: () _____

Email: _____ Birth Date: _____

Name of school currently attending or last school attended: _____ GPA: _____ Date Last Attended: _____

High School Community College University HEP Program CAMP

Other: _____

List educational institutions you intend to enroll in by September 2016: _____

Have you applied for admission to each of the colleges/universities listed above? Yes No

Intended major or area of study: _____

Type of degree you will be pursuing in 2016: Associates Bachelors Masters Other: _____

List languages you speak or write: _____ Beginner Intermediate Advance

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How did you find out about this scholarship? Counselor Teacher Friend Other: _____

Are you a previous Sister Adele Scholarship Recipient? Yes No If so, what year? _____

Do we have your permission to release your information to educational institutions or other scholarship providers? Yes No If yes, initial here: _____



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Required Certification and Release (Applicant must read and sign below to be eligible)

- * I certify that I meet all of the eligibility requirements as specified in this application and accompanying instructions.
- * I understand the application materials become property of CASA of Oregon and will not be returned.
- * I agree to allow CASA of Oregon to include my name, likeness and any information I have provided in promotional materials including, but not limited to news releases, brochures, and advertising items.
- * If awarded the scholarship, I agree to let CASA contact me and use my information to help promote scholarship success.
- * If awarded the scholarship, I agree to update CASA on my progress periodically.
- * If awarded, I agree to provide evidence that I am from a farmworker household upon request.

The information that I have provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship granted.

Applicant Signature

Date