



COMMUNITY SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP
Sponsored By
Four Valleys Community School, Inc. &
Girdwood
Turnagain Arm Lions Club



Statement of General Goals of Sponsors

The Four Valleys Community School, Inc. program provides cultural, recreational and educational activities for Girdwood, Bird, Indian, and Portage valleys. This is accomplished through dedicated volunteers meeting multiple needs of our residents. Community Development, Interagency Cooperation, K-12 Enrichment, and Life-Long Learning are the foundations of this organization.

The Girdwood Turnagain Arm Lions Club is part of the International Associations of Lions. They are dedicated to serving the needs of the community through volunteer projects such as Lions Day Park, eyeglass recycling, aluminum recycling, Christmas baskets and other service activities.

Statement of Specific Goal of Scholarship Program

This program is established to recognize youth in the Four Valleys area (Girdwood, Bird, Indian and Portage) for their community service.

AMOUNT: Two (2) scholarships will be available in the amount of \$750.00 each for 2014.

ELIGIBILITY:

1. Applicant must be a graduating senior at an accredited institution. This includes Anchorage School District high schools, State of Alaska/Municipality of Anchorage charter and home schools.
2. Applicant must be a full time resident of the Four Valleys area (Bird Creek, Indian, Girdwood, Portage).
3. **The ideal candidate is a good friend and peer leader, has a positive influence in the community, and is involved in extracurricular activities.**
4. Applicant will be enrolled full time in a post-high school institution within six (6) months of graduation.
5. Applicant must be a United States citizen.

APPLICATION: Applicants must submit a scholarship folder containing:

1. Biographical sketch including personal history, special interests, description of jobs held and community service (450-500 words).
2. Three (3) letters of recommendation written and signed. Acceptable sources include classroom teacher, guidance counselor, and other adults.
3. Statement of purpose including ambitions and educational plans, (250-300 words).
4. Official transcript of classes.

Note that an ideal candidate has had a positive influence on the local community through volunteerism or other projects and/or is involved with extracurricular activities. The scholarship committee will call the top five candidates for individual interviews. The scholarship committee may retain the winning entries.

BASIS FOR FINAL SELECTION:

Community Service	50 points
Leadership	20 points
Finalist Interview	20 points
Evidence of Personal Growth	10 points

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Applications must be received at the Four Valleys Community School, Inc. office by 5:00PM on May 8, 2014. For questions, contact FVCS at 742-5317.

Mailing address is FVCS, PO Box 790, Girdwood, AK 99587.

SELECTION COMMITTEE: The committee will be composed of three to four (3-4) members, from the FVCS Board, the Lions Club and/or one (1) other interested community adult (without conflict of interest). One (1) member will serve as Chairperson.

AWARD NOTIFICATION AND PAYMENT: Decision will be rendered by May 13, 2014. All applicants will be notified of award or non-award by telephone call with a letter follow-up. With your application, you agree that FVCS and Lions Club will be allowed to photograph the winner and publish same in The Turnagain Times. Upon verification of full time enrollment status of the applicant by the institution, the check will be mailed to the Financial Aid Office of the higher education institution **or** will be made jointly payable to the applicant and the institution.