

Hendricks County Master Gardener Scholarship Guidelines

About the Program

Scholarship Description:

The Hendricks County Master Gardener (HCMG) Scholarship is a scholarship for students pursuing an education in one of the following:

- University or Technical School in an Indiana Undergraduate or Graduate School.
- Students pursuing a Horticulture Degree, Certificate or related Agriculture Field.

Eligibility:

Applicant must be a Hendricks County, Indiana resident.

Scholarship Amount:

One ~ \$2000 scholarship awarded directly to the learning institution.

Scholarship Eligibility Criteria:

Recipient is required to be a full-time student, to maintain a minimum C GPA, and have a confirmed enrollment at any accredited college, university or technical school in Indiana in a program related to a Horticulture or related Agriculture Field degree. Previous scholarship applicants may re-apply. Should the applicant drop out of school, the learning institution will be instructed to return the scholarship money to the HCMG. An applicant cannot be a family member (including spouse, brother or sister by whole or half blood, child, step-child grandchild, great grandchild) of the chairperson(s) who is currently serving the HCMG Scholarship Committee.

Scholarship Deadline:

Postmarked no later than **April 15, 2025**

with Required Documents

- Completed application, including
 - an essay of no less than 200 words
 - information on clubs, organizations, community and/or civic involvement
 - authorized release to use name for news media
- Two (2) Letters of recommendation from a mentor, teacher, employer, etc.
- Once you have received your class schedule for the upcoming semester, please provide this document as proof of enrollment as a full-time student. These documents must be sent to the same address as the original scholarship application.

Application Review and Award Process

- All applications will be reviewed anonymously by the HCMG Scholarship Committee
- Winner will be notified by **May 7, 2025**.
- Winner will be invited to the Master Gardener Association Plant Sale and Auction on **May 20, 2025** to be introduced as the winning recipient and given a few minutes to inform the Association of their future plans.
- A press release will be issued
- August 1st a check will be issued to the office of financial aid to the recipient's designated learning institution with instructions on how to handle payment, including information regarding student dropout issues

Contacts

- Questions may be directed to Scholarship Chairperson **Teri Mitchum 210-413-3840**
- Applications are to be mailed to:
Hendricks County Extension Office
Attn: HCMG Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 7
Danville, IN 46122

Hendricks County Master Gardener Scholarship Application

Applicant Profile

1. Legal Name:
2. Name to Use in Publicity:
3. Home Address:
4. Phone:
5. Applicant Email:

Narrative

1. In 200 words, explain why the scholarship committee should choose you as a scholarship recipient:

Educational Plans

1. College/School of Acceptance:
2. Campus Address:
3. Area of Study:

Support Documentation

Attach the following items with your application submission:

- ☐ Two (2) letters of recommendation from Advisor, Educator, Mentor, Employer, etc.
- ☐ A copy of your college/school acceptance letter.

Statement of Applicant

I certify the information provided in the online application is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct. I certify that I am not the family member (including spouse, brother or sister by whole or halfblood, child, step-child, grandchild, great grandchild) of the chairperson who is currently serving the Hendricks County Master Gardener (HCMG) Scholarship Committee. I understand this application is subject to verification by HCMG Scholarship Committee at its discretion.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: / /

Press and Media Release

I hereby authorize the HCMG Scholarship Committee to release any information necessary for the completion and processing of my application for a scholarship. I also authorize the use of my name, photograph and application information for press and media purposes. If applicant is under 18 years old, a guardian must also sign below.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: / /