

T&R Fund Single Parent Scholarship Application

2009/10 Academic Year

Scholarship Overview: This scholarship is for single parents with primary child rearing responsibility, who qualify for financial aid, are an undergraduate and will be classified as a sophomore or higher at CU next semester, or are enrolling in their final year of a Front Range or Pikes Peak Community College/CU Transfer Program.

Part I. Personal Information

Full Name: _____

Student ID Number: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Academic Outline

College or University you are enrolled at for application year:

Anticipated graduation date: _____

Planned Major: _____

If a community college transfer student, please fill out the following section.

After obtaining a community college associates degree, which CU campus do you intend to transfer to at the end of this current school year to obtain a Bachelor's Degree?

Anticipated transfer date? _____

Anticipated graduation date from CU: _____



Part II: Children's Information

1. **Child's Name:** _____

Age: _____

Do you need childcare for this child during the school year? _____

Approximately how many hours per week? _____

2. **Child's Name:** _____

Age: _____

Do you need childcare for this child during the school year? _____

Approximately how many hours per week? _____

3. **Child's Name:** _____

Age: _____

Do you need childcare for this child during the school year? _____

Approximately how many hours per week? _____

*If you have more children than the above section allows for, please attach an additional sheet.

Part III: Essay Questions

Short Answers: Keep answers brief and to the point.

Critical Essays I and II are weighed heavily in the selection process

Click below each question to type your answer.

1. Is English your primary language? If not, please list your primary language and comment on your level of proficiency in English.



Part III: continued

2. Do you currently work? Where? Approximately how many hours per week do you work? What are your responsibilities?

3. What arrangements have you made for child-care when you are at school or work? Explain any concerns you have with your current child care arrangement.

4. Do you participate in any extracurricular activities (e.g. sports, clubs, bands or choir, etc)? How long have you participated in these activities? How often do you participate? Include any volunteer work at your child's school or elsewhere (e.g. church, hospital, nursing home, etc.)

5. Has anyone in your immediate family obtained a college degree? If so, please list the family member(s), their relationship to you, and the degree they received.



Part III: continued

Critical Essay I: This essay must be typed and less than 500 words.

Describe the level of financial (e.g. alimony, gifts, loans), emotional (e.g. mentoring) and “in-kind” (e.g. babysitting) support you receive from ex-spouses or partners, family, friends and government organizations (e.g. child education services, loans, grants, food stamps, housing subsidies, etc). Comment on the benefits and drawbacks you perceive for yourself and your children as a result of receiving this support. With respect to government support are there ways that you feel the system could work better?



Part III: continued

Critical Essay II: The essay must be typed and less than 500 words.

Describe: (1) how your college degree will impact/benefit not only your life, but also the life/lives of your child/children, (2) Sacrifices you are making to further your education and your greatest challenges, and (3) Where you would like to be in 10 to 15 years.



Part IV: Other information that must be mailed with your application.

1. Enclose a T&R Single Parent Scholarship Grade Transcript and Financial Cost of Attendance Form that has been completed and signed by your financial aid officer. Be sure to enclose the required attachments – SAR form and transcript of your grades. **Your SAR form and grade transcript (if it is an unofficial transcript) must be signed by your financial aid officer.**
2. Enclose at least one letter of recommendation. The independent selection committee would prefer letters from faculty members, academic advisors, or from work or volunteer supervisors. Letters from relatives will not be accepted. Up to three letters of recommendation will be considered, if you wish to submit more than one.

Place all of the required application materials in a sealed envelope and deliver the packet to the institution you will attend in the coming semester. All submitted applications will be screened by your institution. The top 6 applicants, as selected by your institution (including applicants applying to renew their scholarships), will be forwarded to an independent selection committee. From a pool of thirty applicants (18 from the three CU campuses and 6 each from Front Range and Pikes Peak Community Colleges) 15 scholarship recipients (including renewing scholars) will be selected. If your application is not select for further review by the independent selection committee you will be notified by June 30th. If you are a finalist you will be notified by August 14th as whether you were awarded a scholarship. If you have any questions please contact your scholarship advisor.

Be sure to print a copy of the NEW APPLICANT OVERVIEW AND CHECKLIST from the website for your files. It will help you to make sure you have submitted everything and has key dates listed regarding the application process.

If you have the opportunity it is best to hand deliver your sealed envelope to your financial aid officer, if not the mailing address for each institution is listed below.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE 5:00 PM, MAY 29, 2009
May 29 POSTMARKS WILL NOT BE HONORED**

Participating Institution mailing addresses:

University of Colorado at Boulder
Office of Financial Aid
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ATTN: Scholarships
77 UCB
Boulder, Colorado 80309-0077
(303) 492-4533

University of Colorado at Colorado Springs
Office of Financial Aid/Student Employment
Jennifer Fisher
ATTN: Scholarships
1420 Austin Bluffs Parkway
Colorado Springs, CO 80933-7150
(719) 262-3460

University of Colorado at Denver
Office of Financial Aid
Anne Allen
Campus Box 125
P.O. Box 173364
Denver, CO 80217-3364
(303) 556-2886

Front Range Community College
FRCC Education Foundation
Cori Kelly
3645 West 112th Avenue
Westminster, Co 80031
(303) 404 5463

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5675 S. Academy Blvd., C11
Colorado Springs, CO 80906
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Section V: Student Certification and Release

I certify that the information provided in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also agree that personal information provided in this application may be provided to T&R Fund donors and the independent selection committee, including but not limited to directory information, financial need, cumulative grade point average, major, year in school, enrollment status, and copies of essays and resumes. This information is used to introduce donors to potential scholarship recipients. It could also be used for publications and news release purposes. Further, I understand that by applying for this scholarship I may be subject to comply with Colorado law (HB06S-1023). For more information on this law visit:

http://registrar.colorado.edu/students/colorado_benefits_faqs.html

Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____



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2009/10 Grade Transcript and Financial Cost of Attendance Form

Required of ALL New or Renewal Applicants, including attachments

College/University Name: _____

Student Name: _____

Student ID: _____

I authorize the college/university named above to share all required and requested information with the T&R Fund scholarship donor(s) and independent selection committee.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Financial Aid Officer, please complete this form and sign the form and each of the required attachments for the upcoming academic year and return to the applicant. The information on the form and required attachments will be used as a critical component when the T&R Fund Single Parent scholarship independent selection committee renews existing and selects new scholarship recipients.

| Academic Performance | |
|---|--|
| Was the prior year GPA 2.0 or higher with no grade below a C? | |
| Did the student complete a minimum of 24 hours in the previous school year relevant to obtaining a degree within a 4-5 year total time frame? | |
| Is the student meeting Satisfactory Academic Process (SAP)? | |

Required Attachments:

1. Most current Student Aid Report (SAR) for the upcoming academic year.
 - a. ***The financial aid officer who signs this form must sign the SAR.***
2. Official grade transcript showing all courses taken through the end of the prior academic period.
 - a. If an official transcript is unavailable, an unofficial transcript will be accepted, if signed by the financial aid officer signing this form.

Optional Attachment:

1. If the financial aid officer feels there are extenuating circumstances that should be considered regarding the applicant's financial situation or grade transcript then the officer should attach a signed statement explaining the situation.

Financial Aid Officer: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____



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2009/10 New Applicant Overview and Checklist

If you apply for this scholarship make sure you print this form and keep it in your scholarship folder so you will know the key dates. It also has a checklist to help you make sure that you submit all of the required materials.

Overview:

You should consider applying for this scholarship and study this website carefully if:

1. You are **enrolling** in the upcoming year as a **sophomore, junior or senior at the University of Colorado, Boulder, Denver or Colorado Springs campus, or you are enrolling in your final year at Pikes Peak or Front Range Community College** and your course of study will allow transfer to one of the listed CU campuses upon graduation from community college. There is no preference given based on which campus you enroll at or for being enrolled as a sophomore versus a junior or senior.
2. You are a single parent with primary responsibility for raising your children and you qualify for financial aid. Preference is given to parents with pre-teenage children.
3. You are committed to going to school fulltime (24 hours minimum per year) and have a current cumulative **GPA** that is **2.5 or higher, if at CU or a current GPA equivalent to that required to enter CU under your CC/CU transfer program**, if at Front Range or Pikes Peak CC.
 - Your advisor or financial aid officer should be able to give you a sense of whether it is worth your while to pursue this scholarship.
 - The financial aid department at each campus will review all of the applications it receives and select six applications (including renewing applicants) that will be further reviewed (30 total from the five campuses) by an independent selection committee.
 - Fifteen \$5,000 scholarships will be awarded annually.
 - Use of funds is not restricted.
 - If selected, your scholarship is renewable annually, if you meet all of the renewal criteria set out on the renewing applicant portion of this website.
 - Visit the website to review the Scholarship Program Flow Chart and Key Dates.



2009/10 Key Dates:

MAY 29 – Written applications and required support materials must be received by your financial aid officer, POSTMARKED MAY 30 DOES NOT COUNT.

JUNE 30 – All applicants will be notified as to whether they were one of the six finalists from their campus.

AUGUST 14 – The 30 finalists will be notified as to whether they received one of the 15 scholarships.

AUGUST 31 – First semester check (\$2,500) distributed to each scholar.

JANUARY 8 – Second semester check (\$2,500) distributed to each scholar.

Check List for Filing Your Application:

Have you filled out or had the required party fill out all of the materials listed below?

1. Enclose your completed T&R Single Parent Application Form. Make sure you have signed it.
2. Enclose a T&R Single Parent Scholarship Grade Transcript and Financial Cost of Attendance Form that has been completed and signed by your financial aid officer. Be sure to enclose the required SAR form and transcript of your grades. **Your SAR form and grade transcript (if it is an unofficial transcript) must be signed by your financial aid officer.**
3. Include with your application one or more (3 max) recommendation letters from a professor, an academic advisor, employer or volunteer supervisor.

Place all of the materials listed above in a sealed envelope. Make sure your financial aid officer receives the envelope on or before May 29th, 2009. POST MARKS DATED MAY 29 DO NOT COUNT.

Place this form in your scholarship application folder so you can reference it in the future.

If you have questions contact your financial aid officer. If the question remains unresolved contact Jaime or Bob at the numbers listed on the T&R Webpage Contact List (www.tandrfund.org)

