The Fruit of the Vine Scholarship Fund benefits graduating Napa County high school seniors and Napa Valley College transfer students who will find the cost of higher education a financial hardship. Preference is given to applicants who are the first in their family to attend college or are employed (or have a parent or guardian who is employed) in the Napa County wine or grape industry. Recipients attending a four-year college/university will receive funding for up to four years of undergraduate study.

Award Amount: $1,000-$4,000 a year

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS MARCH 5, 2020

WHO’S ELIGIBLE?

1. Napa County graduating high school seniors who will be attending Napa Valley College and plan to transfer to a four-year college/university. Previous recipients are eligible to reapply for up to two years of study at Napa Valley College.

2. Napa County graduating high school seniors who will be attending an accredited, non-profit, four-year college/university pursuing undergraduate study in any field during the 2020-2021 academic year. Preference given to applicants planning to attend a California public university.

3. Napa Valley College students who will be transferring in fall 2020 to an accredited, non-profit, four-year college/university pursuing undergraduate study in any field. Preference given to applicants planning to attend a California public university.

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- be in good academic standing
- have a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least 3.0

PREFERENCE IS GIVEN TO:

- first generation college students (i.e. neither parent has obtained a Bachelor’s Degree)
- students who are employed (or have a parent or guardian who is employed) in the Napa County wine or grape industry

CONSIDERATION WILL BE GIVEN TO THE:

- candidate’s financial need
- candidate’s community involvement

HOW TO APPLY

Complete an online application at https://napavalleycf.awardspring.com/

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- Completed online application form
- 500-word essay in response to the question “Why would you like to attend college? Discuss your career and academic goals. Are there any particular circumstances, school experiences, or persons that influenced your preparation or motivation to attend college (e.g., cultural/financial background, first in your family to attend college, teachers, schools you attended)? Please explain.”
- 250 words describing your community service activities and work experience
- A copy of your unofficial transcript
- One academic letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor or administrator
- A copy of the page from your FAFSA Student Aid Report or California Dream Act Student Aid Report showing your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) - if applicable

QUESTIONS?

Contact Ellen Drayton or Lupe Hernandez, at (707) 254-9565 or scholarships@napavalleycf.org.