



## DESCRIPTION

\$1,000 scholarships are offered to LGBTQ youth by the Santa Fe PFLAG (Northern NM) Chapter

## PURPOSE OF AWARD

\*To recognize outstanding lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer (LGBTQ) and straight allied youth.

\*To encourage continuing education for self-identified LGBTQ youth.

\*To foster a positive image of LGBTQ people in society.

## ELIGIBILITY & TERMS

\*Priority is given to LGBTQ youth, however, LGBTQ students up to the age of 35 are eligible to apply.

\*Priority will be given to first time recipients. Only past recipients who have received only one Santa Fe PFLAG (Northern NM) scholarship are eligible (you are not eligible if you have received it twice).

\*Scholarships designated for a straight ally may be available.

\*Must attend a post-secondary educational institution within one year (this can include universities, colleges, community colleges, technical institutions, etc.)

\*Resident of the state of New Mexico

\*Must submit an application (*in full, following all directions*) with required supporting materials by the application deadline.

\*Awards will be paid by check jointly to the student and the institution and may only be used for education expenses (i.e., course registration fees, lab fees, books, university housing, etc.)

## **CRITERIA FOR AWARDING SCHOLARSHIPS**

\*Identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer or straight ally.

\*Determination and potential to achieve goals.

\*Demonstration of integrity and honesty.

\*Participation in community activities.

## **REQUIREMENTS & DETAILS**

**\*Applications will be considered only if ALL of the following is received electronically (or postmarked) by April 22, 2019:**

1. Completed application – typed and e-signed (SAVE AS: “LastName\_FirstName\_App”)
2. Your most recent transcripts (unofficial is acceptable) (SAVE AS: “LastName\_FirstName\_Transcripts”)
3. Two recommendation letters (letters should be sent directly to us by your references). These letters of recommendation can be submitted in one of these 2 ways: **email (preferred) to sfpflagscholarship@gmail.com** or USPS mail to Attn: Scholarship, Santa Fe PFLAG (Northern NM), PO Box 32053, Santa Fe, NM 87594

## **IMPORTANT DATES:**

**APPLICATION DUE DATE: APRIL 22, 2019**

**DECISIONS ANNOUNCED: MAY 15, 2019**

## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

**\*Is it better to email my application in or send it via US Mail?** Either is acceptable, however email is much preferred.

**\*How should I save my electronic app to be emailed in?**

Please save all of your application components as “LAST NAME\_FIRST NAME\_DOC TITLE”. For example, Doe\_John\_App (or transcripts, etc.)

**\*Should my letters of reference be sent separately or with my application?**

Reference letters are usually best sent separately by your reference. Either email or US Mail is acceptable, though email is much preferred when possible. We encourage you to follow up and confirm that your reference did indeed submit their letter of reference by the due date.

**\*Do my transcripts need to be official? Also, what if it has “copy” printed across it when I scan it?**

Unofficial transcripts are just fine; it is also fine when “copy” is printed across it when scanned.

**\*I am having trouble with formatting of the cover page. What should I do?**

Do the best you can...you can hand write (VERY NEATLY!) the cover page if needed, or you can type it on a separate page. All answers to the narrative application questions MUST be typed.

**\*I have received a scholarship in the past. May I reapply?**

You are eligible to receive a PFLAG Santa Fe scholarship a total of TWO times. So if you have received it only once, yes, you may reapply. After you have received two scholarships, you are no longer eligible to apply.

**\*Am I eligible for the scholarship if I don't live in Santa Fe?**

Yes, you are eligible for the scholarship as long as you are a resident of New Mexico. If you are studying at a university outside of NM, you can still apply as long as you are considered a NM resident. If you are originally from out of state, but are studying here in NM *and* are considered a NM resident now, you may also apply.