



March 3, 2020

Greetings!

Thank you for your interest in the 2020 Self-Help Credit Union Community Scholarship. Since 2015, each Self-Help CU branch has awarded Community Scholarships. Each branch will award a \$1000 scholarship to a local student with a proven commitment to community service. We offer these scholarships to recognize and encourage students to continue to have a positive impact on their community.

Self-Help Credit Union is part of the Center for Community Self-Help, which was founded in 1980 with \$77 made from a bake sale. While our work benefits communities of all kinds, our focus is on those who may be underserved by conventional lenders, including people of color, women, rural residents and low-wealth families and communities. Self-Help CU now serves more than 77,000 members through 33 branches and offices.

Please return your application by April 30, 2020 to:

Anya Little-Knight
Palmetto Trust, a division of Self-Help Credit Union
1724 Bush River Road
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Should you have questions please give me a call at 803-750-7999.

Warm Regards,



Anya Little-Knight
Branch Manager



Community Scholarships

Each of our branches is accepting applications for a

\$1,000 Scholarship

to a local student pursuing college or vocational education. Applicants must show a solid record of community service.

Applications are available at each branch
and online at self-help.org

2019 recipients pictured above.





Community Scholarship Program Policy

Self-Help Credit Union (SHCU) will establish and fund an annual scholarship to be awarded by each credit union in NC, FL, VA, and SC.

Purpose

SHCU will provide financial assistance to those who are improving their lives by furthering their education and commitment to their community.

Eligibility

Those who have been accepted to attend, or are attending any post-secondary educational institution will be eligible. Eligible institutions include universities, colleges, technical schools, trade and vocational institutions. SHCU employees, board and committee members and their immediate families are not eligible.

Application Process

All applicants will complete and submit a scholarship application.

Application deadline is April 30, 2020

Selection Process

A selection committee made up of community leaders or branch members will review each application.

The committee will meet as soon as possible after the application deadline to review and assess all applications. The recipient will be notified by credit union staff upon selection.

Scholarship Amount

The amount to be awarded is \$1000 from each credit union branch.

Distribution

The scholarship will be paid directly to the recipient's school. The funds may be used for tuition, room, board, books, or materials. A letter of acceptance or proof of enrollment from an educational institution is required. This letter may be submitted with the application or any time prior to the payment.

Photo Opportunity

A photo is requested of each recipient. Photos can be taken at your local branch or you can send a photo by email. A photo release must be signed. If there is opportunity to present the scholarship at a public event, please inform the staff at your local branch.



Self-Help
Credit Union
2020 Scholarship Application

Applicant Name:
Address:
Phone:
E-mail Address:
Branch/Office Closest to you:

Name, City, State of high school, and year graduated:

What post-secondary school are you attending or plan to attend? If undecided, list schools that you are considering.

What is your major course of study?

List your community service and volunteer work. Describe how your service has made an impact on your community. (Please attach a full description with photos, references, etc.)

List achievements and honors.

What are your long-term career goals?

*I hereby acknowledge the information provided is true, complete, and accurate. I understand that the application will become the property of Self-Help Credit Union upon submission. I agree to allow SHCU to use all or part of my application for any purpose.

Signature:	Date:
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Return completed application to your local credit union or mail to: Self-Help Credit Union Att: Kayla Lance, 59 Chestnut St. W. Suite 1, Rosman, NC 28772 or email application to kayla.lance@self-help.org



PHOTO/VIDEO/STORY RELEASE

Thank you for helping Self-Help share information about the stories behind our programs, members, loans and projects. The information and pictures/videos you provide are often used to market our programs and tell our story so we can continue to do our work.

Please take a moment to fill out this release form. In doing so, you will be giving Self-Help permission to use your image, quotes, name and general information, unless you specify otherwise.

I/We agree that:

1. Self-Help will have complete and total ownership of the photos/videos and the right to print the photos and/or use digital copies of the photos/videos.
2. Self-Help may use my/our name, likeness, biographical information and general information for newsletters, marketing materials, on social media or in other digital or physical publications or presentations, and may provide the photos/videos and information to others for similar use.
3. I/We will not be compensated for the use of photo/videos and/or information.

ACCEPTED AND AGREED

Name _____

Company Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Signature _____

Date _____

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