



Elevations Credit Union M. R. Hellie Scholarship 2010 Application

This scholarship was established in honor of M. R. Hellie, President of Elevations Credit Union from 1964 until 1986. Through his vision and leadership, Mr. Hellie was not only responsible for the growth of Elevations Credit Union, but was also vital in furthering the credit union movement throughout the nation.

The M. R. Hellie Scholarship is open to current seniors graduating from an accredited Colorado high school who are applying for, or who have been accepted for admission to a college or university. Applicants must be members of Elevations Credit Union.

Awards:

Selection is based on financial need, personal and career goals, scholarship and merit. Awards range from \$500.00 to \$5,000.00. The judges will determine the number and amount of scholarships based on the merit and need of the applicants.

The following substantiating documents are required:

1. Essay explaining "Why I Want to go to College, and What Influenced My Decision." The essay should be typed and no more than 500 words. Suggestions: Identify your personal interests and career goals and provide information relevant to achieving them. This may include educational accomplishments, volunteerism, extracurricular activities, or work experience.
2. Letters of recommendation from two references other than family members, supporting your commitment to your goals.
3. Copy of your high school transcript.
4. Copy of the FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR.) This document is issued after submission of the FAFSA application. It serves as a summary of the application, lists information you provided on your FAFSA, and includes the "Estimated Family Contribution (EFC). Download your report at www.fafsa.ed.gov. On the website, look under "FAFSA Follow-up" and select "Print your student aid report". Do not include the entire FAFSA application, only submit the SAR.
5. List of other scholarships for which you applied, the status of each, and amounts of awards.
6. Copy of college or university acceptance letter, preferred. If you have not yet received a letter of acceptance, obtain a letter from your counselor stating the name of the college or university and the date the application for admission was mailed.
7. A recent photo for use in Elevations Credit Union promotional materials. Photos will not be shared with the review committee.

Entry Deadline: March 19, 2010

Judging Criteria:

- Goals – Essay on "Why I Want to Attend College", including personal/career goals and information relevant to achieving them. This essay will determine the direction, goals, and values of the applicant.
- Merit – Two letters of recommendation will serve as the substantiating documents for evaluating outstanding qualities.



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Scholarship – A copy of applicant’s high school transcript will determine scholarly effort.

Need – A copy of the FAFSA Student Aid Report will be used to determine need.

Special Requirements:

1. Applicant must be an Elevations Credit Union member in good standing at the time the application is received.
 2. Applicants must submit the application with all supporting documents attached by the announced deadline date. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
 3. Applications must be postmarked no later than **March 19, 2010**. Applications that are received after the announced deadline will not be considered.
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Please provide the following information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ **Account Number:** _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

I authorize Elevations Credit Union to use my essay and photograph in Credit Union promotions.

Please mail this application form with the attached documents to:

Elevations Credit Union
Attn: Sue Bailhache/Marketing Department
PO Box 9004
Boulder, CO 80301-9004

Please call 303.443.4672 x 1151 if you have any questions. Award winners will be announced in May.