

January 1, 2025



Dear High School Senior:

Each year, **The Altura Credit Union Foundation** awards monetary scholarships to Riverside County High School seniors pursuing a college education. Students are selected for their academic achievement, extracurricular activities, community service, financial need, personal character, and leadership qualities.

In addition, scholarships are available from four separate endowments, each of which has a unique set of criteria. Please note, no matter what scholarship students are applying for, **students applying for any of the Altura Credit Union Foundation scholarships will need to fill out only one application.**

Available Scholarships & Corresponding Criteria

- **Altura Credit Union Foundation General Scholarship**

This scholarship is available to high school seniors graduating from any high school in Riverside County.

- **Altura Future Leader Scholarship**

A.F.L.S. is designated for a graduating high school senior who embodies leadership characteristics and tendencies.

- **Dr. Linda Wisner Educational Endowment**

This Endowment is in memory of, Dr. Linda Wisner, a former member of Altura's Board of Directors. This scholarship is dedicated to females pursuing a career in education.

- **The Bonnie Gail Polis Educational Endowment**

This Endowment is in memory of Bonnie Gail Polis and is dedicated to graduating high school senior within the Riverside Unified School District (Arlington, King, North, Poly, Ramona) with the intention of pursuing a degree in public education (i.e. - Teacher, Counselor, Administrator, etc.).

- **The Terry Ferrone Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship is in memory of Terry Ferrone and is dedicated to a graduating high school senior of John W. North High School or Riverside Polytechnic High School.

- **Kimberly Jean Flores Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship is in memory of Kimberly Jean Flores, a former Canyon Springs High School Student. To apply for this scholarship, you must be a graduating high school senior of Canyon Springs High School in Moreno Valley.

- **The Marian E. Luna Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship is in memory of Marian E Luna and is dedicated to a graduating high school senior of Norte Vista High School or Riverside Polytechnic High School.

How to Apply:

1. Download the application form at: www.alturacu.com/scholarships.
2. Answer all the questions thoroughly and attach all required documents. Please use a PAPER CLIP for the application form and attachments. **DO NOT STAPLE** anything.
3. Submit Completed Application via mail, or email on or before March 2, 2025, to:

Mail: Altura Credit Union
c/o Daisy Torres
2847 Campus Parkway
Riverside, CA 92507

Email: scholarship@alturacu.com

ITEMS MUST BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE March 2nd.
PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT/DROP OFF APPLICATIONS TO CREDIT UNION BRANCHES
For more information, please contact Daisy Torres at scholarship@alturacu.com

For office use only
Last _____
First _____
GPA _____
SAT _____
AVID _____
EDWM _____

Altura Credit Union Foundation
2025 Scholarship Application
DEADLINE: March 2, 2025

IMPORTANT

- Please fill out application in black ink.
- Use paperclips for fastening attachments. No staples.
- Submit one application only and note all scholarships you are applying for.
- **If you will be emailing the application, it MUST be in PDF form.**
- All scholarships are a one-time award for a 2025 high school graduating senior.

I. Which scholarship are you applying for? (Check all that apply)

- Altura Credit Union General Scholarship
- Altura Future Leader Scholarship
- The Bonnie Gail Polis Educational Endowment
 - I am graduating high school senior within the Riverside Unified School District with the intention of pursuing a degree in public education.
- Dr. Linda Wisher Educational Endowment
 - I am a female student pursuing a career in education.
- The Terry Ferrone Memorial Scholarship
 - I am a graduating high school senior of John W. North or Riverside Polytechnic High School.
- Kimberly Jean Flores Memorial Scholarship
 - I am a graduating high school senior of Canyon Springs High School in Moreno Valley.
- The Marian E. Luna Memorial Scholarship
 - I am a graduating high school senior of Norte Vista or Riverside Polytechnic High School.

II. I certify that I meet the following basic criteria required for all above mentioned scholarships:

- I am a high school senior graduating from a high school located in Riverside County
- I have a current GPA of 3.0 or higher

III. Altura Membership Information

- If you are a Member of Altura Credit Union, or have an immediate family member who is a Member of Altura Credit Union, please indicate the following information:
 - Name of Credit Union Member: _____
 - Relation if other than self: _____
 - Last 4 digits of account number: _____
 - N/A

Please note, Altura Membership is not a requirement to apply for any of the above-mentioned scholarships.

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IV. Applicant Data

1. Applicant Information

Applicant's Name (last) _____
 (first) _____
 Address (residence) _____
 City, State, Zip _____
 Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____
 E-mail address _____
 Male _____ Female _____

2. Academic Information

Name of High School _____
 District _____

Weighted GPA _____ (*Attach a transcript to this application*)

Are you enrolled in any special courses (AP, Honors, IB, etc.)? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, which _____

Are you enrolled in AVID? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, name of AVID Teacher _____

Please indicate any other special courses and/or tests (including ACT/SAT) that have been completed during your high school years that you feel will benefit your continuing education _____

3. Family Information

With whom are you living that is considered your primary guardian?

Name(s) _____

Relationship(s) _____

Occupation(s) _____

Employer(s) _____

Number of children living in your household other than yourself? _____

Please provide the following information about your siblings:

Age	Sex	Occupation or School	Living at Home (Y or N)

If you are not residing with your parents, use this space to provide any relevant information about your living arrangements, financial and/or emotional support needs, etc., which you feel may be of use in the evaluation of your application.

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4. Honors, Awards, and Activities

Please provide us with a list of your school-related honors and/or awards you have received during your high school years (i.e. - Honor Roll, perfect attendance, sportsmanship related awards, etc.)

Year 1: _____
Year 2: _____
Year 3: _____
Year 4: _____

Please provide us with a list of your school-related extracurricular activities, including school clubs, sports, student government, etc. Provide approximate dates of participation, and any offices or chairmanships you may have held.

Year 1: _____
Year 2: _____
Year 3: _____
Year 4: _____

Please list any community activities you have been involved in during your high school years (i.e. - scouting, church, election campaigns, volunteer service, etc.)

5. Financial Information

Have you applied for and/or received other secondary education scholarships? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please indicated the name of the scholarship and dollar amount received.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Did you apply for Financial Aid (FAFSA)? Yes _____ No _____

If so, what is your EFC (Estimated Family Contribution) as determined by FAFSA? _____

How do you expect to meet your educational expenses? Please explain.

6. College/University

The top three, accredited colleges/universities I have applied to are:

1. _____
2. _____

3. _____

7. Student Employment Information

Present employer (if any): _____

Average Hours per week: _____ Average earnings per week: _____

Nature of work: _____

Do you intend to be employed while attending college? Yes _____ No _____

8. Essay

Write an essay (max. 300 words) on what you hope to achieve with a college degree, the major you are pursuing and why, and the need for this scholarship. Please also include your educational and career goals. *(Attach the essay to this. Please be sure to put your name at the top of your essay.)*

9. Attachments/Mailing (use paper clips please)

Please include:

- 1. Your high school transcripts.
- 2. Two (2) letters of recommendation from individuals other than your parent or Guardian.
- 3. Essay (as described in #8).
- 4. FAFSA - Student Aid Index SAI (formally EFC)

Mail or email your completed application to:

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Riverside, CA 92507

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10. Additional Information (optional)

Please share how you heard about Altura Credit Union’s Scholarship program:

Winners will be announced via our website (alturacu.com/Scholarships) and our Instagram page (@alturacu) by the end of April!

Application Package Checklist

- Scholarship Application Form - Sections I-IV
- Transcripts
- Two (2) letters of recommendation
- Essay (maximum 300 words) *(Include name on top of essay page)*

Thank you for your application!

