



StraightTalk® Association for Financial Empowerment Scholarship Program Application

Program Summary

Each year, the StraightTalk® Association for Financial Empowerment (SAFE) sponsors scholarship opportunities for hard-working individuals looking to further their education or career. Ideal candidates value and make contributions toward:

- ▶ Helping people
- ▶ Serving the underserved
- ▶ Making an impact in and giving back to community

Program Eligibility

The SAFE Scholarship Program is open to any SAFE member or Corning Credit Union member who is in good standing, over the age of 16, and has established plans in the next 12 months to take the next step in their education, development, or career, including vocational studies and/or military enrollment. Please note, past recipients of a SAFE Scholarship are not eligible for a second award.

Application deadline is April 30th. After submitting your application, you will be contacted by May 31st, either by phone or email, with your application result.

ONLY IF SELECTED for a scholarship, you will be asked to provide the following before any award is distributed:

- ▶ A completed and signed W-9
- ▶ Proof of enrollment or acceptance (college or trade school bill, course schedule, etc.)
- ▶ A copy of your government issued identification

Please only send the above if selected for a scholarship. All required information must be received by SAFE by June 15th.

More About SAFE

Founded by Corning Credit Union employees, the SAFE is a 501(c)3 charitable organization focused on financial education and community outreach. The mission of SAFE is to provide people with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary for financial success throughout all phases of life. For further information, please visit www.financiallysafe.org or www.corningcu.org.

About This Application

This application includes multiple short-answer questions. The estimated time required to complete this application is 30-45 minutes. All applications must be received by end of day on April 30th, 2025.

How did you hear about this scholarship? (Optional)

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Applicant Information

*Contact Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Address 2 : _____

City/Town: _____ State/Province: _____ ZIP/Postal Code: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

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Highest Level of Education Completed:

- High School Associate's Degree/Some College Bachelor's Degree Master's Degree PhD
 Military Certificate Program

If you are currently engaged in work, school, the military, or another program (trade school, gap year program, etc.), please describe:

Please provide the name of school, college, accreditation, vocation, or branch of military service you plan to pursue:

Anticipated Date of Completion (if applicable): _____

Please describe how your selected path will positively impact your community, society, or country.

Please describe any school, work, community and volunteer work/activities you have completed, including relevant details of your involvement as well as dates of participation.

Please describe any leadership roles you have held, including dates of involvement, what you enjoyed about your involvement, and a scenario in which you displayed leadership skills.

Is there anything else you would like to let us know about yourself that is relevant to your scholarship application?

Certification and Release

Please write your first and last name to verify that you meet the Program Eligibility requirements (below and on Page 1), that you will be able to provide the required documentation by June 15th, 2025, and that all information described above is true, complete, and accurate.

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Please write your first and last name if you authorize SAFE to publish your name and/or photo for the use of news releases, social media, and/or promotional materials in the event that you are awarded a scholarship. **(Notes: If you are a minor, this section needs to be completed by a guardian. If you leave this space blank, your name will be kept confidential.)** _____

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