

Anna Maria Fuentes Scholarship Application

Merced County Association of Governments (MCAG) Governing Board and staff established this scholarship program in memory and tribute to Anna Maria Fuentes, Grants Program Manager, colleague, and friend.

The scholarship will be awarded by the MCAG Governing Board in an amount to be determined annually in accordance with accumulated financial resources. A recipient may receive the scholarship and an additional three years, or until their degree objective is achieved, whichever is less, subject to submission of an annual request for continuation, including scholastic documentation, as determined by MCAG.

Criteria:

Initial Award Criteria: Graduating high school senior from a high school in Merced County with a grade point average of 3.0 or higher (4.0 =A), who has demonstrated a high level of participation in extracurricular activities including positions of leadership.

Amount to be awarded may vary each year. However, the annual maximum scholarship amount is \$1,000 and \$4,000 maximum award per student.

Continuing Award Criteria: Up to an additional three years or until degree objective is achieved, whichever is less. Requires annual submission of a letter requesting continuation of the scholarship and documentation of institutional enrollment and attainment of a 3.0 or higher grade point average (4.0 = A). Annual request must be received by MCAG no later than January 15 of the year of the request.

Additional criteria may include:

- ◆ Scholastic record
- ◆ Purpose and need for higher education
- ◆ Activity record
- ◆ Letters of recommendation
- ◆ Evidence of real need for financial assistance.

Instructions to Applicant (NOTE: ALL FORMS MUST BE COMPLETED IN BLUE OR BLACK INK OR TYPED.)

1. Your application for scholarship must include:

- a) Application Form completely filled out
- b) Activities Record completed
- c) Scholarship Survey completed
- d) Personal Essay should include: *educational and career plans and short and long term goals. Use this as an opportunity to tell scholarship committee members about who you are as a person.*
- e) Three Letters of Recommendation from school personnel, and/or community members
- f) Official High School Transcript(s) (*7 semesters*).

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2. Application must be **TYPED** or completed in blue or black ink only. If handwritten, application must be **LEGIBLE**.
3. Application should be turned in with **ONE STAPLE** (for the entire application) in the upper left hand corner of application.
4. You should keep a copy of the completed application for your records.
5. This application is also available online: www.mcagov.org/anna.html.
6. Notification of award will be sent to the winner by May 1, 2012.

Completed application must include the following & be submitted in the following order:

DO NOT SUBMIT PAGE 1 or 2 of this packet. These are information pages only.

- Application (page 3)** – Do not forget parent/guardian and student signatures.
- Activities Record (page 4)**
- Scholarship Survey (page 5)**
- Personal Essay**
- Three Letters of Recommendation**
- Certified High School Transcript(s) (7 semesters)***

**Your Scholarship Counselor may be able to help you with obtaining your transcripts.*

MCAG must **receive** your completed application with all required information by **5:00 p.m. on the last business day in the month of February. For 2012 this date is Wednesday, February 29.**

Mail or deliver your application to:

**Merced County Association of Governments
AMF Scholarship Program
369 W. 18th Street
Merced, CA 95340**

NO POSTMARKS ACCEPTED – NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED

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Student's ID Number _____ (required)

E-Mail Address _____

Name in full _____ School _____
(Last) (First) (MI)

Address _____ Phone No. **(209)** - _____
(Number) (Street) (City) (Zip)

Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____

Social Security No. _____ - - _____ Name of Junior H.S. _____

FAMILY

Name of Father _____
(Or guardian)
Occupation _____

Income Monthly \$ _____ Annual \$ _____

Name of Mother _____
(or guardian)
Occupation _____

Income Monthly \$ _____ Annual \$ _____

EDUCATIONAL AND VOCATIONAL PLANS

Anticipated College Major: _____

Anticipated Vocational/Career Plans: _____

School Planning to Attend: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

✓ Mark appropriate space below

2 Year College: <input type="checkbox"/>	4 Year College: <input type="checkbox"/>	Vocational/Technical School: <input type="checkbox"/>
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I hereby authorize _____ (High school name) to release a transcript and such other information as may be necessary concerning (Student name) _____ for scholarship purposes.

DATE _____
Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Student Signature

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ACTIVITIES RECORD

Name _____ Name of High School _____

School Activities (You may attach a separate sheet if more space is needed) Year of participation

	9	10	11	12
Student Government:				
Organizations/Clubs: (note leadership positions)				
Athletics: (Specify Varsity, Junior Varsity or Freshman)				
Awards and Honors:				
Community Activities: Example: Mercy Hospital 175 hours -Car Wash, Help raise funds for needy family 4 hours -				
Hobbies:				
Employment: (state the duration)				

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Scholarship Survey

Highlight or circle all applicable areas. You are required to complete this form as part of the scholarship application packet. It is to your advantage to highlight or circle all areas that apply to you. If you list an activity on this survey, **be sure to include it on your Activity Record.**

Student Number _____ **Student Name** _____ **Male** **Female**

Clubs (circle/highlight grades you were in club/org)

FFA - 9 10 11 12
 4-H - 9 10 11 12
 Key Club 9 10 11 12
 Leo Club 9 10 11 12

Merced Track Club

Currently enrolled in or a member of:

- 4-H
- FFA
- Music Class
- Ag Class
- Other _____

Miscellaneous

1. Boys State/Girls State
2. Camp Royal (*Rotary Leadership camp RYLA*)
3. Leadership (*in school or the community*) list:

Circle/Highlight all that apply

1. ASB/SBO Officer
2. FFA/4-H Officer

3. Club Advisor/Officer

4. Other _____

Athletics

Baseball	Softball
Basketball	Swim/Dive
Cheerleading	Tennis
Color guard	Track
Cross-country	Volleyball
Football	Waterpolo
Golf	Wrestling
Soccer	Other:

- Played team sport in high school
- Played sport in 12th grade
- Played varsity sport
- Played two or more years varsity sport
- Grade(s) you participated in varsity sport
 9 10 11 12

Total Community Service Hours

1 – 100 hours _____
 101 – 200 hours _____
 201 or more _____

Career/Major

- Agriculture
- Art/Graphic Arts
- Business
- Coach
- Computer Technology
- Education (*check all that apply*)
 - Teacher - Grade* _____
 - School Administrator*
 - School Psychologist*
 - Professor*
 - Math Teacher*
 - Special Education*
- Engineering
- Floriculture/Horticulture/Plant Science or related field
- Legal
- Medical/Medical Related Field

- Music
- Theatre
- Veterinarian
- Other _____