



Academic Scholarships and Grants Application

The Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis (JFGI) is proud to offer scholarships and grants to qualified and deserving individuals. These scholarships and grants are made possible thanks to the generosity of donors who made commitments through JFGI to support academic achievement. Scholarships are awarded based on merit, while grants are need-based.

Candidate must demonstrate:

- Successful academic record
- Strong work ethic
- Good character
- Residency in Indiana and/or attendance at a college/university in Indiana
- Anything specific to the scholarships or grants being applied for, such as volunteer experience, work experience, academic pursuits, or interest in Jewish communal work.

Complete this application, sign, date and submit with the following material:

- Essay – A typed and double-spaced essay describing why you qualify for the scholarship(s) or grant(s) you select and what it means to you to be part of your Jewish community
- Transcript – Your most recent official school transcript
- References – Three letters of reference from teachers, employers, clergy, mentors, etc.
 - Relatives or significant others may not submit reference letters

If applying for a need-based grant, the following information is also required

- Full copy of previous year's tax return (for applicant or family)
- W-2 for the current tax year (for applicant or family)

NOTE: Final candidates may have a personal interview with the Scholarship Committee on a date to be determined and shared with finalists.

The application deadline is **March 1st**. Please send your completed application with all attachments by email or mail to the JFGI office.

Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis
Attention: Scholarships and Grants
6705 Hoover Road, Indianapolis, IN 46260
scholarships@jfgi.org



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Applications must be postmarked or submitted by March 1st.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: _____
(First) (Middle Initial) (Last)

Home Address: _____

Home City, State, ZIP: _____

College/University: _____

School Address: _____

School City, State, ZIP: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Birthplace: _____

Applicant Employer (if applicable): _____

Applicant Occupation (if applicable): _____

Application Checklist (for office use only)	
__ Application with Signature	<input type="checkbox"/>
__ Essay	<input type="checkbox"/>
__ School Transcript	<input type="checkbox"/>
__ Reference Letter #1	<input type="checkbox"/>
__ Reference Letter #2	<input type="checkbox"/>
__ Reference Letter #3	<input type="checkbox"/>
__ Tax return (need-based grants only)	<input type="checkbox"/>
__ W-2 (need-based grants only)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Date Received _____	



Available Academic Scholarships and Grants

Please select all for which you wish to apply.

Eugene and Betty Friedmann Memorial Scholarship

Established in memory of Eugene and Betty Friedmann for their belief that success is possible despite formidable challenges, this award is to support deserving Jewish individuals seeking to further their education in the fields of science, medicine or technology.

Jules Dorfman Scholarship

Established in memory of Julius "Jules" Dorfman, a former Executive Director of the Jewish Community Center, in honor of his years of service, this award is to support graduate students with a focus in Jewish Communal Service, Jewish Social Work or Jewish Education.

Len Perel Memorial Scholarship

Established in memory of Len Perel and his commitment to community service, this award recognizes the academic excellence and volunteer service of foreign-born Jewish high school students living in Indiana.

Mark Pescovitz Grant

Established in memory of Dr. Mark Pescovitz, a Federation Officer and the Chairman of the Annual Campaign, this need-based grant is awarded to recognize a Jewish high school junior or senior with a record of outstanding service to the Indianapolis Jewish and general community.

Svetlana and Zinovy Grimberg Grant

Established in memory of Svetlana and Zinovy Grimberg, a loving family who valued providing the best education opportunities, this need-based grant is awarded with preference to a working (part-time or full-time) female community member pursuing continuous education.



EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

Please complete the appropriate sections based on your education.
Activities and honors sections should be completed regardless of education level.

High School: _____ Graduation Year: _____

Guidance Counselor's Name: _____

Guidance Counselor's Phone Number: _____

Class Standing (Rank and Total Class): _____ GPA and Scale: _____

University/College you plan to attend (if known): _____

Have you been accepted? Y N Anticipated Major/Field of Study: _____

Colleges/Universities attended	Year(s) Attended	Degree(s) earned
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Volunteer/Cocurricular Activities:

Awards/Honors:



REFERENCES

Please attach three personal or professional/academic letters of reference.

If your letter writer prefers to send the letter directly to JFGI, please ensure they have the address or email.

Name	Email Address	Phone Number
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

FAMILY INFORMATION

If you are applying for need-based grants, please include a full copy of your family’s most recent W-2 and previous year’s tax return. We request that you not just attach the first page but provide full financial documentation for both your W-2 and previous year’s income tax return.

Applications for need-based grants without these documents will not be reviewed.

Parent/Guardian #1 (Required for minors)

Name: _____ Birthplace: _____

Employer: _____ Occupation: _____

(If applying for need-based grants, please include the following)

Total Income – last year: \$ _____ Estimated Income – current year: \$ _____

Parent/Guardian #2 (Required, if applicable, for minors)

Name: _____ Birthplace: _____

Employer: _____ Occupation: _____

(If applying for need-based grants, please include the following)

Total Income – last year: \$ _____ Estimated Income – current year: \$ _____

Number of brothers/sisters: ____

Age(s) of sibling(s): _____

Number of siblings currently in college/university: ____



Application Acknowledgement

Please remember that final candidates will have a personal interview with the Scholarship Committee at a date to be determined and shared with finalists.

I/We have reviewed this application and affirm that the information provided is complete and correct to the best of my/our knowledge.

Signature of Applicant
(If applicant is an adult)

Printed name of Applicant

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian #1
(Required if applicant is a minor)

Printed name of Parent/Guardian #1

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian #2
(Required if applicable and if applicant is a minor)

Printed name of Parent/Guardian #2

Date



Policies and Procedures Acknowledgement

Applicants (and parents/guardians if the applicant is a minor) – Please read carefully, sign the bottom of these procedures and return it with your application. We recommend that you keep a copy for your records.

- The Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis provides a limited number of need-based grants.
- Scholarship and grant applications must be postmarked or received by **March 1st**.
- The Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis retains the right to limit the number of grants given each year. Only one need-based grant will be made per student. Applicants must use a need-based grant in the year in which it is given for tuition for their college/university.
- The difference in cost between the program chosen and the grant from the Federation will be the responsibility of the person requesting the grant. If the applicant is unable for any reason to attend the school and is entitled to a refund, the refund shall be applied first to repay the Federation to the extent of the grant.
- Parents or guardians of students granted funds under this program release the Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis from any liability under any circumstances for any problems, and/or injury, etc., resulting from participation in the program chosen by the applicant.
- The Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis reserves the right to make any changes without prior notice.

I/we understand and agree to these Policies and Procedures.

Signature of Applicant
(If applicant is an adult)

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian #1
(Required if applicant is a minor)

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian #2
(Required if applicable and if applicant is a minor)

Date