MVC Financial Aid Workshops

RCCD Foundation Scholarships

2025-26 Application Period October 14 – January 17



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Financial Aid Reminders

- Complete the 2024-25 FAFSA or CADAA
 - www.studentaid.gov, MVC school code: 041735
 - <u>https://dream.csac.ca.gov</u>, MVC school code: 04173500
 - Apply even if you think you may not qualify
- For need-based 2025-26 scholarships, students must complete the 2024-25 FAFSA or CADAA
- Submit your 2025-26 FAFSA or CA Dream Act Application by the Cal Grant Priority Deadline of March 2, 2025

Important Dates

- Scholarship Application Available: October 14
- Deadline to Apply: Friday, January 17, 2025, 5:00 PM
- Scholarship Award Notification: Mid-May
- Scholarship Award Ceremony: You will be notified of dates for ceremony if applicable
- Disbursement: 2025-26 Disbursement Schedule will be available online

Scholarships Web Page

- Go to <u>www.mvc.edu/scholarships</u>
- Select RCCD Foundation Scholarships from the menu

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	applying for annual RCCD Foundation scholarships. One application, hundreds of possible ways to save	

Scholarships Web Page

- Be admitted to MVC and have a student ID
- Activate your student email
- Access your unofficial transcript; request a recommendation
- Review the information links on how to apply
- Access the scholarship application

Scholarship Opportunities for Students

The Riverside Community College District (RCCD) Foundation offers scholarships for continuing and transferring students. To be considered for a scholarship, you must complete the scholarship application and go through the eligibility and selection process. Each year, the application for the following academic year is open from October to January.

Apply for a Scholarship 🗲 🗋 External Scholarships 🗲

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The 2025-26 Scholarship Application Period Opens in October

The 2025-26 RCCD Foundation Scholarship Application period starts on October 14, 2024 and will end on January 17, 2025.

How to Apply for Foundation Scholarships

Interested in applying for scholarships? Make sure you're eligible and enrolled, prepare your required documents, get started with the RCCD scholarship system, and apply. For assistance, leverage our **guide to applying for RCCD Foundation Scholarships** where we walk you through each step.

What is a scholarship? (video) >

- Myths About Scholarship Applications
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Determine Your Enrollment Status
- Maintain Your Eligibility

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- Access the Scholarship Application
- How to Use the Application System
- Scholarship Selection Process
- Scholarship Notification and Recognition

Application Process

- Create a scholarship account using your RCCD student email address
- You will receive an email to your RCCD student email to confirm your identity
- Return to the site and complete the general scholarship application
- Review the application and apply for recommended scholarships
- Log in to the site to check your status and accept scholarship offers

Application Process – Create an Account

- You must sign up for your Blackbaud ID to access the application
- Select "Continue with Blackbaud ID"
- If you already have a Blackbaud ID, you can use the same password

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Application Process - Create an Account

- Select Continue with Email. (Do not use SSO, Google or Apple)
- Enter your RCCD student email and click Continue
- The system will send you an email to confirm your identity (check your spam folder if not in your inbox)
- Access the email and complete the confirmation process

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Application Process - Return to Account

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- Once you have confirmed your account, access the system by selecting "Continue with Blackbaud ID"
- Always "Continue with Email" and enter your RCCD student email address (do not sign in with SSO, Google, or Apple)
- Click "Trouble signing in" for help

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General Application

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		Enter yo	our 7 digit MVC, NC or RCC	C student ID without the first two letters, Numbers only please.

- Select My Applications tab
- Questions may be answered via fill in, radio button, select all that apply
- Answer all questions

Essay Questions

* Scholarship Essay Questionnaire: The RCCD scholarship application requires you to answer scholarship essay questions and it is an important part of your application. The Scholarship Essay Questionnaire will help those reviewing your application gain a better understanding of you as a student and individual. This is your chance to explain to scholarship reviewers why you feel you should be a recipient of an RCCD scholarship. In your essay, please address the following questions: - Answer 1 time.

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* 1. Please briefly introduce yourself to the scholarship reviewing committee.

Words Used: 0 out of 150

* 2. What are your career goals and your educational plan to meet these goals? Tell us about why you have selected your current major and career goal and any life experiences which may have influenced this decision. Also tell us about your anticipated role in society after your career goal has been achieved.

Words Used: 0 out of 200

* 3. Do you have any activities, volunteerism, interests or responsibilities that you are involved with? Tell us about any accomplishments or achievements that you are proud of.

Words Used: 0 out of 200

* 4. Have you had any challenges or life-changing experiences you would like the scholarship committee or donor to know about? What have you learned from these experiences? Also, tell us about any unusual circumstances which may affect your current financial situation.

Words Used: 0 out of 250

Tips for Answering Essay Questions

Introduction

- Personal story, favorite quote, what guides you
- Give examples of personal qualities
- Tell them about yourself

Career Goals/Educational Plan

- Possible formula: Past, Present and Future of your education and career goals
- Explain why you chose your major and career goal
- Talk about academic history, goals, successes

Volunteerism/Activities

- Anything you participate in; past or present
- Creates an image of a well-rounded person

Challenges

- Explain any circumstances regarding your financial situation, especially if it has changed
- Negative circumstances can be mentioned briefly, but state how you have overcome them and what you have learned from them; Turn a negative into a positive

Recommendations

- One Recommendation is required; advisable to request three
- Good sources: Instructors, counselors, employers, community leaders, etc.
- Poor sources: Friends, relatives, other students
- Ask for recommendations early, you will need their email address
- Recommendation provider will complete a questionnaire in the system
- Optional: Provide a copy of your essay or a resume listing extracurricular activities, accomplishments

Recommendations

* Recommendation 1: Please provide a name and email address for a scholarship recommendation. This needs to be an individual who can attest to your current academic strength and potential for success. You should notify this individual to expect an email from us. You are responsible for ensuring your reference provider completes this request.

Add a New Reference (Reference will be notified via email)

Recommendation 2: Please provide a name and email address for a scholarship recommendation. This needs to be an individual who can attest to your current academic strength and potential for success. You should notify this individual to expect an email from us. You are responsible for ensuring your reference provider completes this request.

Add a New Reference (Reference will be notified via email)

Recommendation 3: Please provide a name and email address for a scholarship recommendation. This needs to be an individual who can attest to your current academic strength and potential for success. You should notify this individual to expect an email from us. You are responsible for ensuring your reference provider completes this request.

Add a New Reference (Reference will be notified via email)

- Enter email address of the person from whom you want to request a recommendation
- One recommendation is required; advisable to request three

Application Process

1. Signature (Type F	ull Name)		1
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Read the certification

- Sign by typing your name and the date
- Finish and Submit; you may return and edit application until the deadline

Scholarship Types

- You will be automatically matched to scholarships for which you meet the criteria:
 - "Auto-Match" scholarships, <u>no further action required</u>
 - "Apply-To" scholarships, <u>further action required</u> such as
 - Upload documents (unofficial transcripts, military discharge papers, writing samples, etc.)
 - Answer supplemental questions
 - Short answer or explanations
- Have all possible required documents saved and ready to upload
- Do not wait until the last minute!

Dashboard

- General Application click on Update to view and edit your application information
- Current shows Apply-To
 Scholarships recommended to you
- Status: SUBMITTED means no more action is required of you; DRAFTED means you <u>have not</u> completed applying for the opportunity
- Click on "Opportunities" then select "Recommended" for a list of Apply-To scholarships you may also be eligible for; further action is required to apply



Scholarship Types

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		Award Varies - Amount to be determined	Name Alyssa Rayne "Aly" McCroskey Memorial Endowed Scholarship Aly was a bright, beautiful, loving 16 year-old whose brief life ended	Actions Apply by 01/17/2025
		Varies - Amount to be determined	C. Bruce Tomlinson Memorial Scholarship This scholarship was established to honor Mr. C. Bruce Tomlinson and his	Apply by 01/17/2025
		Varies - Amount to be determined	Cardenas Markets Inc. Foundation Scholarship - Moreno Valley College Cardenas Markets is a family owned business headquartered in Ontario,	Apply by 01/17/2025

- List of recommended scholarship opportunities
- Click on the opportunity name for more information; click Apply to see what further action is required

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You can save your application at any time by clicking Save and Keep Editing at the bottom of the form. Once completed, you can submit your application by clicking Finish and Submit. After you submit, you can continue to edit your application up until the deadline Note: Required fields are marked with an asterisk. Application Questions
* Have you finished three or more math courses at RCC with a math GPA of at least 3.0? O Yes
O No
* Please provide an explanation of which math classes you have successfully finished, which math classes you plan to take and how you will pursue math within your educational goal.
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* Please attach a copy of your most recent unofficial transcript. <u>Add a New File</u> We are collecting this to verify that you have taken the courses required by this scholarship. The transcript may be unofficial. You can print an unofficial transcript from Web Advisor. Log in and click on "Student." In the section "Academic Profile" click on "View/Print my Unofficial Transcript." Please follow the instructions on how to print your unofficial transcript. Then, you will need to scan it to your

- Answer supplemental questions, provide additional information, upload required documents, etc. to finish applying for recommended scholarships
- Click "Save & Keep Editing" to save or "Finished & Exit" to complete applying for the opportunity

References

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Melanie James	melanie.james@m	vc.edu	10/14/2024	Submitted 10/17/2024	None
Recommendation 2: Ple	ase provide a name and er	nail address for a second s	cholarship recommendation. (RCCD	Foundation Scholarship Reco	ommendation)
Kelly Douglass	kelly.douglass@rcd	c.edu	10/14/2024	Requested	Resend Request

- Click "References" for the status of Recommendations requested
- A Recommendation that has been submitted will say "Submitted"; if not it will say "Requested"
- Click "Resend Request" to send a reminder email

What Happens Next?

- Applications go through a review process:
 - RCCD Scholarship Committees (MVC, NC, RCC)
 - Faculty, Department Staff, Foundation
- If you are selected as a recipient, you will receive an "Offer" email from the scholarship application system
- You must log-in and accept the award; you will then be given more information as a recipient
- Check your application status by logging into the application system

What Happens Next?

- Check your application status by logging in:
 - "Submitted" = Application is complete; no further action
 - "Drafted" = Application process is not properly completed
 - "In Review" = In scholarship pool; review in progress
 - "Finalist" = You are one of the final students to be reviewed
 - "Not Selected" = you were not selected as a recipient
 - "Offered" = you have been selected as a recipient
 - "Accepted" = you have accepted the scholarship offer
- Award ceremonies: Late May and early June
- You are strongly encouraged to attend the scholarship award ceremonies. If unable due to circumstances beyond your control, please contact the SFS office at your college

What Happens Next?

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- Scholarships will be disbursed during Fall 2025 and Spring 2026
- Transfer scholarships will be sent to your transfer university in Fall 2025 or Spring 2026; provide your school information when you accept offer or email the SFS office
- If you are awarded a scholarship and you have a change in your situation such as transfer plans or enrollment status, contact the SFS office

Re-cap & Submission

- Read the scholarship information on the web page <u>www.mvc.edu/scholarships</u>
- One Recommendation is required get their email address
- Complete a list of your volunteer, community, club activities, and awards, etc.
- Other documents may be needed unofficial transcripts, special essays, creative writing sample, DD214
- Sign up/create your scholarship account
- Submit a *complete* general and recommended applications by

Friday, January 17, 2025, 5:00 PM

External Scholarships

- These are Scholarships from sources outside RCCD
- Listed under the "External Scholarships" tab
- Use <u>free</u> internet search sites
- Beware of Scams:
 - Don't pay money to get money
 - Nobody can "guarantee" a scholarship
 - Legitimate foundations do not charge application fees
 - Never give credit card numbers
 - Beware if they offer to do all the work or say that you can't get the information anywhere else
 - If you are suspicious or it sounds too good to be true, it probably is a scam

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Cours Recommended External information as a p to eliminate any o	opportunities from sources outside of RCCD. Please note: We do not endorse any of the external scholarship possible scholarship resource that may be of interest to you. It is up to you to determine if you are eligible and follow the of iffers that do not appear to be legitimate, however please review all scholarship information carefully. Be cautious of any	Show Filters o opportunities listed here. We provide this directions to apply. We screen these listing scholarship applications that ask for
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- To view a list of External Scholarships, click on "Opportunities" then select "External"
- To view requirements and apply for the scholarships listed, click on the name of the scholarship or "Visit"
- You will be directed to the scholarship opportunity's website
- We do not endorse any external scholarships; this list is informational only

Questions

Contact Student Financial Services at MVC

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By Phone: (951) 571-6139

By Email: <u>Studentfinancialservices@mvc.edu</u>



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