

Belmont Garden Club

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Marion Wilkins/Marie Gray Scholarship

Since 1982 the Belmont Garden club has offered the Marion Wilkins/Marie Gray Scholarship to Belmont students in good academic standing.

Applicants must reside in Belmont and plan to attend a two or four-year accredited institution or seek a graduate degree in the following:

- Horticulture
- Biology
- Environmental Studies
- Forestry
- Landscape Design
- Other closely related field

Previous recipients have gone on to make significant contributions in these fields. By offering these scholarships, the Belmont Garden Club hopes to foster further interest in the world of plant culture.

Scholarship recipients are chosen on the basis of academic excellence, community service, volunteer and employment experiences, extracurricular activities and awards and teacher's/counselor's recommendations.

The Belmont Garden Club Scholarship

Established in 2017, the Belmont Garden Club Scholarship seeks to encourage interest in the fields of Horticulture, Botany, Biology, Environmental Studies, Forestry, Landscape Design as well as other related fields. While the requirements are similar to those of the Marion Wilkins / Marie Gray Scholarship, the Belmont Garden Club Scholarship is not limited to Belmont residents. The scholarship is open to all students studying in Belmont schools regardless of their place of residence. Therefore, please indicate below your interest in applying to one or both of the scholarships.

Application Requirements

Please submit:

1. Application form
2. One letter of reference
3. School transcript

_____ MARION WILKINS / MARIE GRAY SCHOLARSHIP
(Belmont residents only)

_____ BELMONT GARDEN CLUB SCHOLARSHIP
(For all attending/attended Belmont schools)

Please type or clearly print all information.

Check one: Belmont resident _____ Non-Belmont resident _____

Full name _____

Permanent address _____

Date of birth _____

Phone number _____

Email address _____

Name of parent/guardian _____

Address of parent/guardian _____

Phone number of parent/guardian _____

SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS (IF YOU ARE RE-APPLYING AS A COLLEGE STUDENT PLEASE SEE THE SECTION AT THE END OF THIS FORM)

SCHOOL INFORMATION

High School attended _____

Graduation month / year _____

School address _____

Post Secondary School for which scholarship is requested _____

School address _____

Intended field of study _____

Type of school

4 year ____ 2 year ____ voc/tech ____ Post grad ____ Other (explain) _____

Anticipated date of graduation from postsecondary program _____

ACTIVITIES / AWARDS (use reverse side of sheet if necessary)

Please list below the names with a brief description of any awards you have received that you feel are noteworthy. Please include the date of the award

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

Please describe your work experience during the past 4 years. Indicate dates of employment and number of hours per week.

- | | <u>employer</u> | <u>position</u> | <u>dates of employment</u> | <u>hours per week</u> |
|----|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 2. | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 3. | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 4. | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Describe volunteer experiences during the past 4 years that you feel made a significant contribution to the Belmont community or greater community

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

List all school activities (clubs, sports, music, government) in which you have participated during the past 4 years.

- | | <u>activity</u> | <u># of years</u> | <u>special awards / office</u> |
|----|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 2. | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 3. | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 4. | _____ | _____ | _____ |

INTERESTS / GOALS

Please answer each question in **50 words or less**.

1. What are your educational plans as they relate to your career objective and/or future goals?

2. How do your future plans relate to any **one part** of the Belmont Garden Club's goal of advancing the art of gardening, the science of horticulture, the artistic use of plant material in both flower arrangement and design, the conservation of natural resources, and the development of civic beauty?

3. Why have you chosen to pursue your particular field of study. Please describe specific past experiences, events and/or circumstances that led to your decision.

OPTIONAL

Please describe how any unusual circumstances have affected your achievement in school, work experience, or participation in school and community activities.

TO BE COMPLETED BY COLLEGE STUDENTS RE-APPLYING

SCHOOL INFORMATION

College/University attending _____

School address _____

Intended field of study _____

Please describe your college experience thus far. What classes related to your field of study have you taken?

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EMPLOYMENT AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Please describe any work experience since you started college – both volunteer and paid. What are your plans for the coming summer?

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

List any school activities (clubs, sports, music, government) in which you have participated during college.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

INTERESTS / GOALS

Please answer each question in **50 words or less**.

1. What are your educational plans as they relate to your career objective and/or future goals? Have they changed since you have been in college?

2. How do your future plans relate to any **one part** of the Belmont Garden Club's goal of advancing the art of gardening, the science of horticulture, the artistic use of plant material in both flower arrangement and design, the conservation of natural resources, and the development of civic beauty?

OPTIONAL

Please describe how any unusual circumstances have affected your achievement in school, work experience, or participation in school and community activities.

Please be sure to have the registrar provide us with an official copy of your college transcript. Also, please include a short letter of recommendation from a professor. Your application will not be considered without these documents.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MAY 1, 2023

The \$600 scholarship will be sent directly to the recipient's college or university before the start of the second semester of Freshman year. At the same time, the \$400 book stipend will be sent to the recipient's home address.

Please return Application / Transcript / Letter of Recommendation to:

Belmontgardenclubscholarship@gmail.com

or

The Belmont Garden Club
c/o Jen Greenleaf
37 Underwood St
Belmont, MA 02478

If you have questions please email: belmontgardenclubscholarship@gmail.com