

# APPLY NOW FOR 2022 AWIS EAST BAY SCHOLARSHIPS

The AWIS East Bay Scholarship Program strives to encourage and reward outstanding women & non-binary students pursuing degrees in science fields at East Bay colleges and universities. This year we have the honor of selecting up to ten \$1000 Scholarship Award recipients! Three scholarships are made in memory of Lorraine McCormick, the mother of Sheila McCormick, an East Bay AWIS member. Four scholarships are made possible by the Ohlone Audubon Society in memory of Sara Mathews and Helen McDermon Sowers. Three scholarships are made possible from a donation by 4D Molecular Therapeutics, a gene therapy company based in Emeryville, CA.

The Scholarship Program supports women, transgender, and non-binary students in the East Bay CA who are pursuing degrees in STEMM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math, Medicine) at community college, undergraduate, and graduate programs. Scholarship funds may be used to support the advancement of their education: e.g. to support educational expenses, for professional advancement courses, to attend a professional conference or for purchasing equipment vital for supporting research.

## HOW TO APPLY

Complete this form, which asks (in no more than 750 words) how you would use an AWIS East Bay Scholarship to advance your scientific career. The criteria we will assess on are financial need, scientific curiosity and commitment to community and/ or field of study. Note: this form is used for *all* scholarships, applicants will be considered for all scholarships they are eligible for.

Applications are due by Sunday, May 15th. Awardees will be notified in June as part of the AWIS Northern California Chapter Awards Banquet.



## ELIGIBILITY

*For all scholarships:*

Female, transgender, and non-binary students actively engaged in a degree program in upcoming academic year may apply. Applicants must be enrolled (or accepted by) an accredited college or university in the East Bay, CA. Applicants must be studying a degree in STEMM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math, Medicine). Any past scholarship awardees and current AWIS East Bay board members are not eligible.

*For the Sara Mathews Scholarships (3):*

Priority will be given to applicants that are East Bay residents, though all California residents are eligible. Priority for one of the three scholarships will be given to a student in environmental science.

*For the Helen Sowers Scholarship (1):*

Priority will be given to students accepted to/attending California State University, East Bay (as that is where Helen taught). Though if there are no applicants from CSU East Bay, students attending any East Bay institution are eligible.

