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## WILSON FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

### FIRE ACADEMY SCHOLARSHIP

SPRING 2023

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1. Women Firefighters; Closing the Gap, Christine Wilson Foundation Inc. scholarship deadline for application submissions will extend through November 15, 2022. All submissions accepted will be considered.
2. Refer to the criteria below for eligibility requirements.
3. Refer to the application process below for a list of the supporting documents required (i.e., reference forms, evidence of GPA, etc.) Incomplete applications will not be considered.
4. If any question does not apply to you in this application, please put N/A in the space.
5. Type or print legibly. Illegible applications will not be considered.
6. You will be notified by email or phone call regarding the status of your application.
7. If you have any questions about the application, please email Christine Wilson at [WFFWilsonFoundation@gmail.com](mailto:WFFWilsonFoundation@gmail.com)

\*\*\*NOTE: Women Firefighters; Closing the Gap, Christine Wilson Foundation Inc. will handle all deposits of funds to the accredited college for the selected program(s).

**Mission:** Our mission is to team up and provide financial resources and enhanced opportunities for women wishing to attend the Central Valley fire academy.

**Underserved/Minority Status Means:** Any population segment with exceptional service needs including, but not limited to, those persons and/or youth in which one or more of the following apply; geographically isolated, economically disadvantaged, low-income, underrepresented, racial/ethnic minorities to include women, sexual minority, and/or first-generation students.

**Award Components:** A scholarship may be awarded depending on the funds generated for distribution each year up to \$1,000.



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**Fire Academy Scholarship Criteria:**

1. Applicants must have a high school diploma or GED.
2. Applicants must be between the ages of 18-40.
3. Applicants must meet the Underserved/Minority status criteria listed above.
4. Applicants must have a valid driver's license
5. Applicants must not have a criminal record with a felony conviction.
6. Applicants must submit National Registry Certification as required by Fire Academy Prerequisites
7. Applicants must have completed a Fire Tech 1 class as required by FCC Fire Academy Prerequisites

**Application Process:**

Applicant must submit the following items:

1. Completed application form; if handwritten, please print it legibly.
2. Two letters of recommendation from a choice of high school teacher/mentor, administrators, counselors, employers, or individuals with significant knowledge of the applicant's character, achievements, and/or involvement in the community.
3. A copy of your high school diploma or GED certificate.
4. A copy of your National Registry Certification
5. A copy of the transcript of a Fire Tech 1 Course completion
6. Personal essay. In your essay, please answer the question on the enclosed essay sheet.
7. Oral interview

Please email the application to [Wffwilsonfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:Wffwilsonfoundation@gmail.com)

Please type or print your answers below. If the application is illegible or items are missing, the application will be returned to you.



1. Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Mailing Address:

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4. Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

5. High School Attended: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Graduated: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Current College: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

8. College(s) Attended: \_\_\_\_\_

9. Year Graduated: \_\_\_\_\_

10. List other financial assistance you will receive per semester or quarter (i.e. personal, other scholarships, grants, student loans, and other financial resources). Include amounts of all items listed.

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11. What are your educational objectives?

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12. List your academic honors, awards, and membership activities while in high school or college:



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13. List your community service activities, hobbies, outside interests, and extracurricular activities: \_\_\_\_\_

14. Personal essay: Please write your essay as a separate document. Include your name, date of birth, and mailing address at the top of the page, print it and attach it to this application.

To be accepted with this application, your essay must be limited to 200 words or less, as well as neat and legible. You may also type your essay.

Essay topic (1): What has triggered your passion for the fire service field? Also, what would you like to accomplish in the fire service?

Essay topic (2): Women comprise less than 4% of the overall workforce in the fire service. How would you go forward and inspire young girls and women to choose the fire service as a profession?

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I affirm that all of the above-stated information I provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that my picture may be taken and used for any necessary purpose to promote the Women Firefighters; Closing the Gap, Christine Wilson Foundation Inc. I understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, I must provide evidence of enrollment/registration at the post-secondary institution of my choice before scholarship funds can be awarded.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_