



Dreamers, Visionaries & Leaders

Law & Justice Scholarships

APPLICATION PERIOD:

January 8 through March 26, 2021

All applications must be received by the High Desert Community Foundation no later than 5pm, March 26, 2021. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered by the Committee.

1st Place Award \$1,500.00

2nd Place Award \$1,000.00

3rd Place Award \$500.00

Prior to submitting your application, please read carefully the eligibility criteria & requirements for the **DVL Law & Justice Scholarship** contained here and at www.dvlproject.com and the guidelines for writing the Essay which are included with this application.

The LAW & JUSTICE SCHOLARSHIP

The Law & Justice Scholarship is sponsored in partnership with the DVL Scholarship Program and two individuals whose careers and service are in Law & Justice. They funded this award to encourage outstanding students who have demonstrated advocacy and activism in the classroom or in public service and those who have a desire to pursue a career in the Law & Justice spectrum (Lawyer/Attorney, Peace Officer, Probation, Forensics, Computer Science/Technology, Social Workers, Therapist, etc) to further their achievements.

The Essay

The essay is weighted 60% essential for the Law & Justice Scholarship Award. Applicants are required to write an original essay addressing the selected theme. Applicants *are cautioned against simply "recycling" personal essays used for college applications or other scholarships.*

In a minimum of 500 typed words or maximum 1,000 typed words, applicants are to address the **theme: What Is Your Role in Improving Social Justice in Today's Society?**

SPECIAL NOTE: Please include your definition of **"Social Justice"** within your essay.

Law & Justice Scholarships Requirements

The following application requirements apply to The Law & Justice Scholarships. Students, are strongly advised to read application carefully to ensure that they understand and follow any specific directions for the scholarship.

Eligible Students

The DVL Scholarship Program welcomes applications from 12th Grade (Senior High School) students in the High Desert region:

- Students who are 18 years old or will be 18 years old by December 1, 2021.
- Students who are “On Track” to graduate high school seniors.
- Eligible students include those graduating from charter high schools, religiously affiliated high schools or home schools or home school programs in the High Desert region and are *regionally accredited*’

*Note: students enrolled in or planning to attend an institution that is **not** regionally accredited are **not eligible** for consideration for the scholarships.*

- All students must be residents of California for *at least* three (3) years with High Desert residency for at least one (1) year and who are graduating 2021 from a regionally accredited high school in the High Desert region.

Required documents to submit with application

Students will submit the following supporting documents with their applications:

- Essay
- One (1) page resume’
- DVL Legacy Scholarship application.
- *Official and/or Certified High School Transcript*
- One (1) letter of reference from a teacher, counselor, high school principal or advisor who is knowledgeable about the student's academic achievement, community involvement, and future educational or career goals.

Please note: Letters of reference *must be typed* and *must not exceed 300 words*. Unfortunately, any letter which is not typed or which is over 300 words may not be read by the Review Committee.

All applications will be reviewed and selected by a special committee comprised of Law & Justice professionals, educators and community members.

Completed submissions should be directed to:

Dreamers, Visionaries & Leaders Legacy Scholarships Committees

c/o High Desert Community Foundation

Post Office Box 2028 Apple Valley, CA 92307

NOTE: Applications must be typed and completely filled out.

Handwritten or incomplete applications will not be considered by the Committee.

**DVL LAW & JUSTICE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
2021**

Application for _____ **DVL Scholarship**

1. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name _____

Gender: Female _____ Male _____

Address _____

City _____, CA Zip Code _____

Cell phone _____ or Message phone _____

E--mail address _____

2. EDUCATION

High school attending _____

Dates attended (Month/ Year) _____ Graduate? Yes No

Planning to attend College/University? Yes No Where _____

Proposed start date _____

Planned course of study, education or career goals _____

Applicant Certification

I certify that the information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsification of information may result in termination of my application or of any scholarship award granted to me.

Printed name _____

Signature _____ Date _____