



## CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION SYNCIS FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM GUIDE FOR APPLICANTS

This guide provides you with instructions on how to register for the scholarships portal at the California Community Foundation, how to confirm your registration, and provides helpful tips on filling out the application. A preview of the scholarship application is provided at the end of this guide, should you prefer to prepare your answers offline and then copy/paste them into the online application.

In short, here is a summary of the application process:

1. Register as an applicant in the scholarships portal
2. Confirm registration in your email
3. Navigate to the scholarship application in the portal
4. Fill out the application and submit

If you have questions or experience difficulties, please contact [scholarships@calfund.org](mailto:scholarships@calfund.org).

**REGISTER** yourself as an applicant here:

<https://californiacommunityfoundation.my.site.com/scholarship/s/login/SelfRegister>. The registration page looks like this:

California COMMUNITY Foundation

### Sign Up for an Account

Create an account to access funding opportunities and track submitted applications.

Enter your contact information and if you are applying for grant applicant access, select your Organization.

You can search for organization by name, EIN, or street address.

\*First Name

\*Last Name

\*Email

**What type of access are you requesting?**

Grant Applicant  Scholarship Applicant  Application Reviewer

**Access Level**

Are you requesting Organizational Admin Access?

--None--

- You will be prompted to create a profile, including your first name, last name, and email address. Your email address should be one that you check often, as award information will be communicated via email.
- For **What type of access are you requesting?**, select Scholarship Applicant.
- Under Access Level, select “no.”

Once you register, you'll receive this message:



### Sign Up for an Account

Create an account to access funding opportunities and track submitted applications.

Thank you for registering to our portal.  
Please check your email for the confirmation and to set your password.

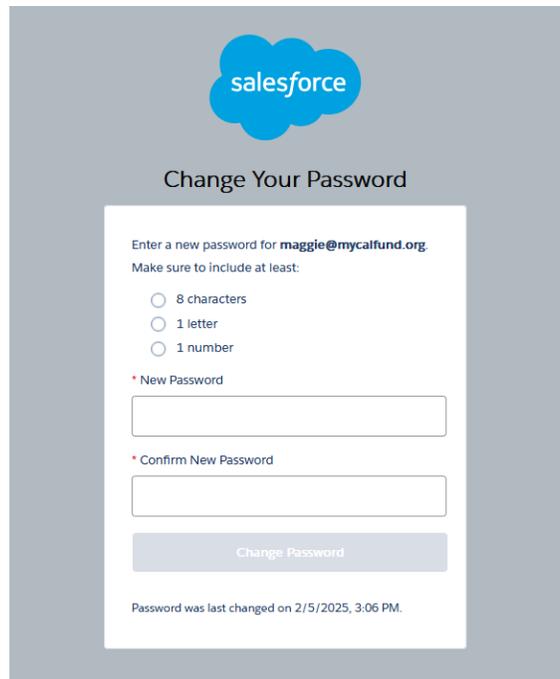
Done

Already have an account?

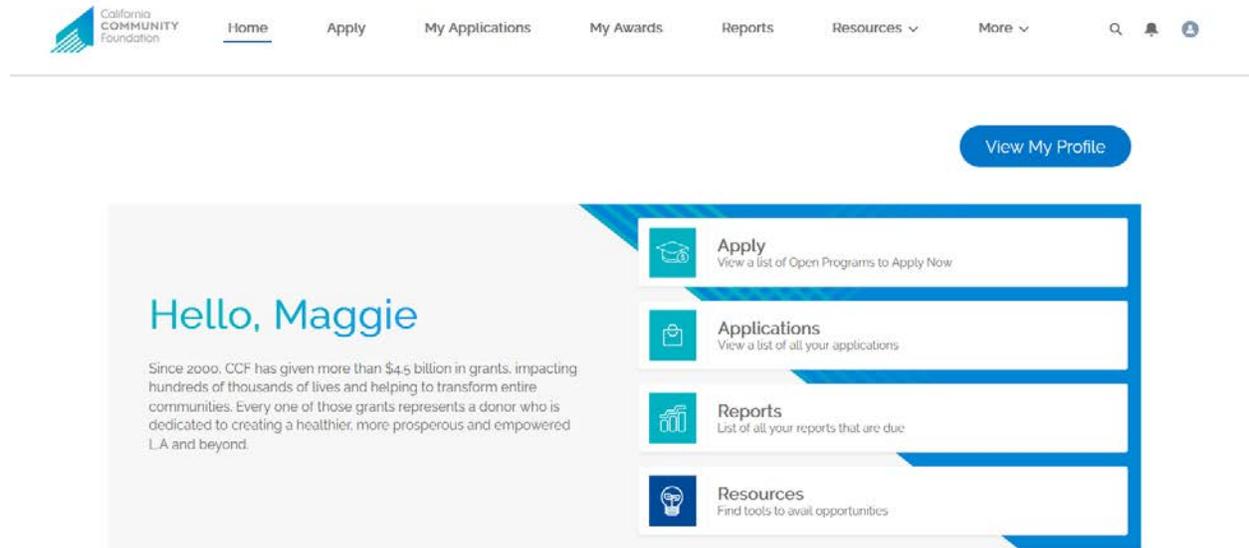
Navigate to the email you provided. You will receive the following email from Scholarship Portal ([grantsmanagement@calfund.org](mailto:grantsmanagement@calfund.org)). If the email is not in your inbox, be sure to check the SPAM folder and add [grantsmanager@calfund.org](mailto:grantsmanager@calfund.org) and [scholarships@calfund.org](mailto:scholarships@calfund.org) as a contact.



The link in the email will prompt you to create a password:



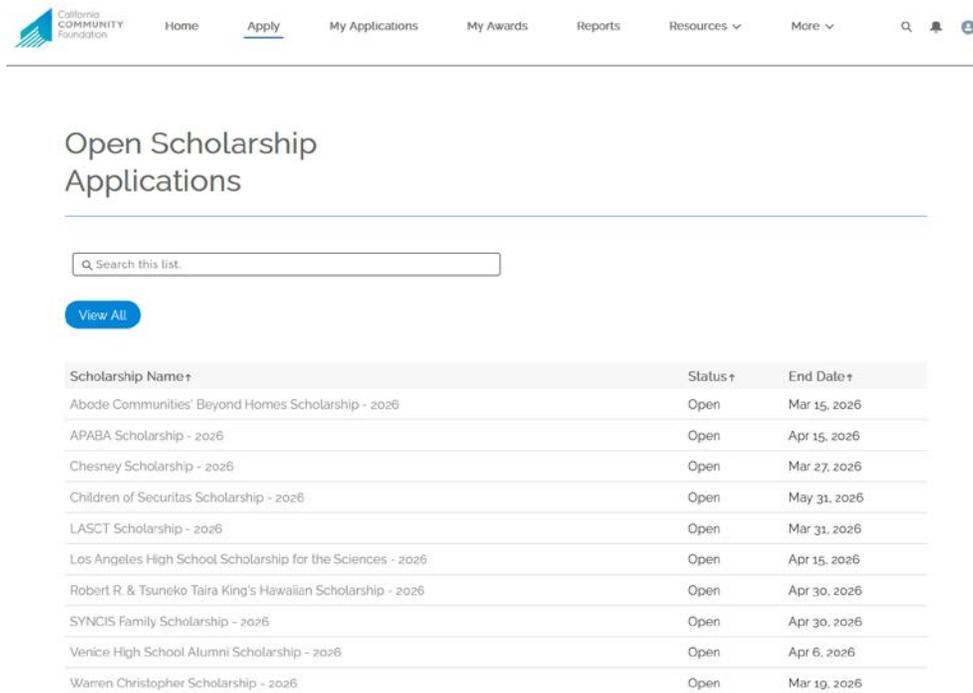
You will then be taken to the home screen of the application portal:



Once you have registered, you will be able to access the application through your secure portal log in here: <https://californiacommunityfoundation.my.site.com/scholarship/s/login/>.

## APPLICATION

Upon logging in, select Apply tab at the top of the page, and navigate to the Syncis Family Scholarship – 2026.



# SYNCIS Family Scholarship - 2026

APPLY NOW

## Application Due Date

04/30/2026

Type  
Scholarship

Status  
In progress

## Description

The purpose of the SYNCIS Family Scholarship is to provide scholarships to children and grandchildren of insurance professionals contracted with Syncis Insurance Solutions, LLC, or children and grandchildren of employees of Synergy Financial Holdings Group, LLC.

Once you click on the name of the scholarship, you'll need to click on the "Apply Now" button. This will take you to the main application page.

You may work on your application and save your progress as you go, but you must have information in all of the required fields (marked with a red asterisk) in order to save the application as a draft. You may put placeholder information into the required fields and return to the application if you save it as a draft. It is recommended you prepare your answers offline and then paste them into the fields when you are ready to submit. A copy of the application is provided at the end of this guide.

You can return to your saved application on the My Applications page on the scholarship portal. Your saved draft will reopen when you click on your application ID.



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[Click on the Application ID to open and access your application .](#)

## All Applications

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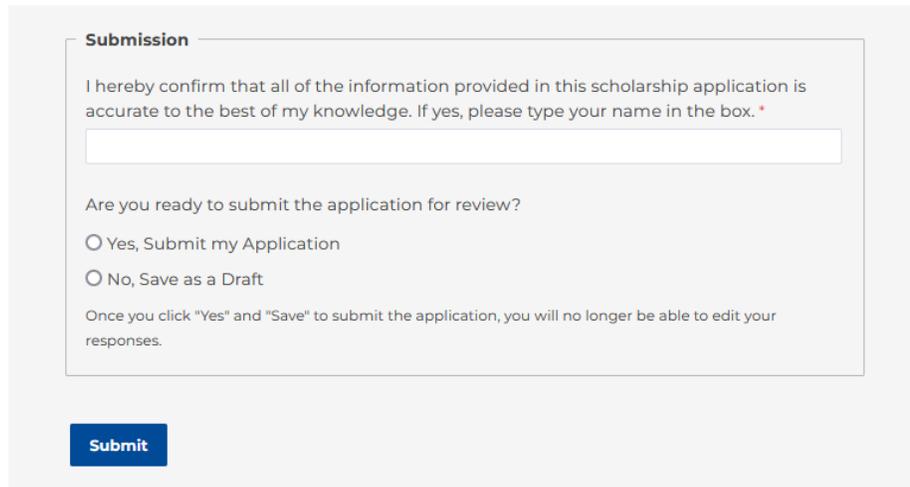
View All

Application ID↑	Status.↑	Applying Contact Name↑	Funding Cycle↑
360000	In Progress	Maggie Rose	Children of Securitas Scholarship - 2025
363564	In Progress	Maggie Rose	Adiba Shaby Scholarship - 2025

## SUBMISSION

In order to successfully submit your application, you must provide 1) all required information 2) all required attachments and 3) when your application has been finalized you must type your name

into the box at the bottom of the application, select “yes”, and click Submit. You will receive a submission confirmation email.



The screenshot shows a web form titled "Submission". It contains the following elements:

- A confirmation statement: "I hereby confirm that all of the information provided in this scholarship application is accurate to the best of my knowledge. If yes, please type your name in the box. \*"
- A text input field for the user's name.
- A question: "Are you ready to submit the application for review?"
- Two radio button options: "Yes, Submit my Application" and "No, Save as a Draft".
- A warning: "Once you click 'Yes' and 'Save' to submit the application, you will no longer be able to edit your responses."
- A blue "Submit" button at the bottom left.

When you view your submitted application on the portal, you will not be able to see your file submissions or checkboxes. This is generally not a problem, and if you are missing materials, the Foundation will contact you. If you'd like to confirm receipt of materials, please contact [scholarships@calfund.org](mailto:scholarships@calfund.org).

#### Tips:

- Please use an email that you check regularly. Hotmail and Yahoo accounts have SPAM filters that often direct the Foundation's emails to a SPAM folder. If you do not have a Gmail account, be sure to check your SPAM folder regularly to make sure you receive the Foundation's emails/instructions. Please **avoid** providing a school-associated e-mail address if you will be transferring schools.
- We may need to send you information by mail. Be sure to include your full mailing address which should include your street address (ex. 2000 Smith Street), your city (ex. Los Angeles), your five digit postal zip code (ex. 90012), and if applicable an apartment or unit number.
- It is permissible to consult an adult and seek guidance on the essay portion of the application. It is the committee's expectation that you are the sole author of your essay and that you have not received assistance in editing your essay by an adult or peer. If you are quoting another individual, be sure to properly cite and identify direct quotes using quotation marks.
- If you have any clarifying questions, seek guidance from a counselor or teacher. If they are unable to assist you – contact the Foundation at [scholarships@calfund.org](mailto:scholarships@calfund.org) and we will do our best to address your question in a timely fashion.

#### Helpful Resources:

##### Essay Writing

- <https://scholarshipamerica.org/blog/scholarship-essay-tips-for-student-writers/>
- <https://www.usnews.com/education/best-colleges/articles/ways-to-make-your-scholarship-essay-stand-out>

## SYNCIS Family Scholarship



**Description:** The purpose of the SYNCIS Family Scholarship is to provide scholarships to children and grandchildren of insurance professionals contracted with Syncis Insurance Solutions, LLC, or children and grandchildren of employees of Synergy Financial Holdings Group, LLC.

**Criteria:**

- Must be a child or grandchild of an insurance professional contracted with Syncis Insurance Solutions, LLC or a child or grandchild of an employee of Synergy Financial Holdings Group, LLC
- The independent contractor or employee must have been contracted with, or employed by, the applicable entity for at least 2 years
- Must enroll at an accredited U.S. based college or university for an undergraduate program or a graduate program lasting at least two years.
- The application must be completed by the student. Any applications submitted by third parties will not be eligible.
- Student must have a GPA of 3.8 (if in high school), or 3.3 (if in college)

**Selection Criteria:** Applicants will be evaluated according to their academic potential and the quality of their video submission or essay.

**Award Amount:** The scholarship will fill a student's remaining need after aid and other awards have been applied, up to a maximum of \$15,000 per year. This is a one-year award, but students can reapply each year. Selection in one year does not guarantee selection in the next.

**Deadline:** The application is open from March 13 - April 30, 2026.

**Contact:** If you have any questions about this scholarship, please contact [scholarships@calfund.org](mailto:scholarships@calfund.org).

***NOTE: Make sure to save your application often!  
Navigate to the "Submission" section and select "No, Save as a Draft"  
(You will need to put placeholder text, such as "TBD," for all required questions)***

### Contact Information

First Name \*

Last Name \*

Preferred Pronouns

Date of Birth \*

Email \*

Student Primary Phone \*

### Student Address Information

Street Address \*

City \*

State \*

Country \*

Zip Code \*

### Sponsoring Contractor or Employee Question

Are you a child or grandchild of an insurance professional contracted with Syncis Insurance Solutions, LLC, or a child or grandchild of an employee of Synergy Financial Holdings Group, LLC? \*

Yes

No

### Sponsoring Contractor or Employee Information

Contractor or Employee Name \*

Relationship to Student \*

Where does the sponsoring contractor or employee work? \*

Syncis Insurance Solutions, LLC

Synergy Financial Holdings Group, LLC

SCA Code \*

If an employee of Synergy, please note "employee."

### High School Question

Are you currently in high school? \* **If you answer "yes" to this question, a section will appear where you can enter your high school details.**

Yes

No

Answer "yes" to this question if you are in the high school graduating class of 2026.

## Higher Education Information

College/University Name \*

If you are still in high school, please fill this section out with the institution you will be attending in the fall.

Expected Graduation Year \*

Type of Degree \*

Enrollment Status \*

Major

Skip if undetermined

Intended Career

Skip if undetermined

College/University G.P.A. \*

Enter "n/a" if currently in high school

## Academic Information

Describe any honors or awards received from your school and/or community.

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Describe any school-related extracurricular activities.

\*

Describe your choice of major and career goals. \*

## Personal Statement

**Instructions:** Please prepare an answer to the following question:

**How has your parents' or grandparents' career with SYNCIS impacted your views on money, personal finances, and the importance of life insurance?**

For your answer, you may **either** submit a short essay (500 words) or a three-minute video. You do not need to submit both.

How will you be submitting your personal statement? \*

Short essay

Video submission

**If you choose to submit a short essay, please select "short essay" and a section will appear where you can copy and paste your essay.**

For video submissions, please upload your video at the following secure link: [syncisholdings.sharefile.com](https://syncisholdings.sharefile.com). Please put your email as the name of your file. Select the button below that best describes your progress. \*

I have submitted my video at the link above.

I am saving as a draft and have not yet submitted my video.

What is the file name of your video? \*

## Attachments

Academic Transcript

No file selected.

Academic Transcript is REQUIRED. Please upload prior to your final submission. You do NOT need to upload in order to save your application as a draft. Please submit a transcript that includes your most recent academic semester.

## Submission

If selected, SYNCIS may utilize information submitted as part of this application (including video) for the purpose of marketing and promoting this scholarship program. I understand I may be required to sign an additional publicity waiver if selected to receive this scholarship. \*

Yes

I hereby confirm that all of the information provided in this scholarship application is accurate to the best of my knowledge. If yes, please type your name in the box. \*

Are you ready to submit the application for review? \*

Yes, Submit my Application

No, Save as a Draft

Once you click "Yes" and "Save" to submit the application, you will no longer be able to edit your responses.

**Submit**

[Contact Information](#)