

Arizona Recycling Coalition Scholarship Application

Overview

The Arizona Recycling Coalition (AzRC) is a nonprofit organization of professionals and citizens pledged to promote recycling efforts in Arizona's private, public and nonprofit sectors. AzRC provides leadership on waste reduction through education and membership involvement.

Purpose

Recycling and the circular economy are essential to our community; they conserve natural resources, help the environment and create a sustainable Arizona. The AZRC scholarship intends to assist new leaders enrolled in an environmental sustainability field of study. AZRC will award up to \$2,500 to full-time students enrolled in one of Arizona's universities or colleges.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants must:

- Provide proof of full-time enrollment at one of Arizona's colleges or universities for the 2023-2024 academic year with an unofficial transcript. An official transcript will be required before funds are disbursed if awarded a scholarship.
- Provide an unofficial transcript demonstrating a grade point average of 3.0 or higher.
- Provide one reference letter from an academic advisor OR current professor demonstrating leadership in recycling and sustainability activities.
- Complete the scholarship application.
- Attend the AzRC annual meeting in early 2024.
- Become an AzRC member.

Guidelines

Meet the eligibility requirements and complete the scholarship application and letter of reference. The scholarship funding is for tuition and fees and must be used by the academic year of 2023-2024. The funds cannot be used for outstanding student loans. If awarded a scholarship, tuition payment will be made directly to the school.

We review applications based on the following rubric:

1. **Impact:** The impact you will have on recycling-related efforts in the state if you receive this scholarship.
2. **Story:** How convincing and inspiring your story is.



3. **Professionalism:** Your level of professionalism in completing this application.
4. **Letter of recommendation:** The strength and quality of your letter of recommendation.

Application Timeline and Requirements

Scholarship applications **must be submitted by November 1, 2023 at 11:59 p.m.** The application must be submitted electronically as a PDF document to Awards@ArizonaRecyclingCoalition.org. All applicants will receive confirmation of their electronic submission within 72 business hours of submission.

AzRC will announce the scholarship winners at the annual meeting in winter. If awarded the AZRC scholarship, we request that you conduct a video interview with us. Your story and video allow us to continue to award grants and scholarships. For questions regarding this application, please email Awards@ArizonaRecyclingCoalition.org.

Application Checklist

Ensure all of the following items are included in one document in your application for submission. Incomplete applications will be ineligible.

- Proof of full-time enrollment at one of Arizona's colleges or state universities for the 2023-2024 academic year with an unofficial transcript. If awarded a scholarship, an official transcript will be required before funds are disbursed
- Unofficial transcript demonstrating GPA 3.0 or higher
- One (1) reference letter from applicant's academic advisor OR current professor demonstrating leadership in recycling/sustainability activities
- Completed Application



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First Name:	
Last Name:	
Street Address:	
City, State, Zip Code:	
Phone Number:	
Email Address:	
School Name:	
Major & Minor:	
Degree Level:	
GPA:	
Completed Credit Hours:	

How many hours do you participate in the following activities (per week)?	
Work (paid hourly or stipend position, including internship):	
Volunteer (without pay or stipend including unpaid internship):	
Community activism (uncompensated organization/club/committee):	



Provide academic advisor contact information:	
First and Last Name:	
Phone Number:	
Email Address:	

Application Questionnaire and Instructions

Complete the following two narrative questions in 400 words or less:

1. List your non-academic experience in the environmental sustainability field, such as volunteer work, internships, jobs, etc.?

2. What area of environmental sustainability interests you the most and why are you pursuing a career in that area?