



**Shattering Glass Ceilings Scholarship**  
*When there's no ceiling, the sky's the limit*

Announcement of 2020 Scholarship Opportunity

**Overview**

A professional glass ceiling still exists in our society. For women who are first-generation college students, immigrants, or those who live in Economically Distressed Areas, this ceiling can be even harder to break through. Research has shown, however, that when you educate a woman, you educate a family, and as a result, the entire community benefits. The glass ceiling is therefore not only a personal tragedy for women but also for our society as a whole. Acknowledging this, we created the grassroots scholarship fund: Shattering Glass Ceilings Scholarship.

**Opportunity**

Despite the current state of flux due to the COVID-19 pandemic, higher learning continues, and women need support now more than ever. We will continue to award scholarships to women who are first-generation college students and encourage those who are also immigrants or live in Economically Distressed Areas to apply. We are happy to announce that we are increasing the number of scholarships to twenty this year and hope this will aid and motivate our 2020 recipients. All applicants must be currently enrolled at an institution and have a bill showing that they are paying for at least part of their tuition out-of-pocket or through loans. Shattering Glass Ceilings Scholarship will send scholarship funds directly to the school, and the funds may only be applied to tuition for the 2020-2021 academic year. The institution must be based in the U.S., be a non-profit, and may include a college, university, community college, or technical college.

For the 2020-2021 cycle, award recipients must agree to and meet the following criteria.

- ❖ Identify as a female and be 28 years old or younger
- ❖ Be a first-generation college student (the first person in your immediate family to attend college)
- ❖ Complete the attached scholarship application
- ❖ Provide a 250-word personal statement about why you are pursuing a higher education, which may be edited by our team and used in-full or in-part on our website
- ❖ In a timely manner, sign any documents needed to allow us to ensure scholarship eligibility
- ❖ Remain in good standing at your institution and complete a brief questionnaire for updates

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We plan to award twenty, \$1000 scholarships. In line with our grassroots nature, we will be awarding some of the scholarships to women in specific communities where some of our donors are located. While distribution may end up differently, we anticipate awarding the scholarships as follows:

- Five will be awarded to women who are pursuing higher educations or graduated from high school in the Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania metropolitan area
- Five will be awarded to women who are pursuing higher educations or graduated from high school in the Kansas City metropolitan area
- One scholarship will be awarded to a woman who is pursuing a higher education or graduated from high school in the Raleigh/Durham, North Carolina metropolitan area
- Nine will be awarded to those living anywhere in the United States

We look forward to receiving your application. Applications should be submitted by September 15, 2020, to [shatteringglassceilings@gmail.com](mailto:shatteringglassceilings@gmail.com).



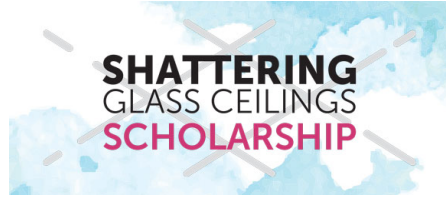
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### Application

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| Name:  |  | Date of Birth:      |                  |
| Email address:   |  |                     |                  |
| Mailing Address:   |  |                     |                  |
| Phone:   |  | Nationality:        |                  |
| Ethnicity (optional):  |  | 2019 Fall GPA:      | 2020 Spring GPA: |
| Enrolled institution of higher learning:   |  |                     |                  |
| Student identification number:   |  |                     |                  |
| Permission to contact institution to ensure scholarship eligibility:   |  | Yes                 | No               |
| Signature permitting us discuss your eligibility with the school:  |  |                     |                  |
| Tuition (not fees/room/board/books):   |  | <i>Per Semester</i> | <i>Per Year</i>  |
| Intended area of study:  |  |                     |                  |
| Institution's mailing address:   |  |                     |                  |
| Institution's website address:   |  |                     |                  |
| Financial Office contact information (if you've been working with someone in particular):  |  |                     |                  |
| Name:  |  |                     |                  |
| Email address/Phone number:  |  |                     |                  |
| How you are currently planning to pay for tuition (out-of-pocket, loans, etc.) (Note: this scholarship is for tuition only - not books, room/board, fees, or related expenses):                |  |                     |                  |
| How you heard about Shattering Glass Ceilings Scholarship:   |  |                     |                  |
| Are you (yes/no):  |  |                     |                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <28 years <input type="checkbox"/> 1st generation college student <input type="checkbox"/> Live in an Economically Distressed Area <input type="checkbox"/> Immigrant |  |                     |                  |
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**Personal Statement**

*Please provide a personal statement (in approximately 250 words) explaining why you are pursuing a higher education and your personal education and/or career goals.*