

Colorado Educational Services and Development Association (CESDA) is pleased to announce its Scholarship Program for the 2005 graduating class. Please read the instructions carefully and be sure the information submitted is complete.

1. Applicant must be a first generation student, member of an underrepresented ethnic or racial minority, and/or show financial need. Student must be a U.S. citizen or Permanent Resident.
2. Applicant must be a resident of the State of Colorado as defined by the statute for in-state classification.
3. Applicant must be a graduating high school senior during the spring of 2005.
4. Applicant must enroll at a 2 or 4-year Colorado college or university in the fall of 2005 and take a minimum of 6 credit hours.
5. Applicant must have a minimum cumulative high school grade point average of 2.80 on a scale of 4.00.
6. Applicant will be selected by, but not limited to, the following criteria: leadership and community service -particularly within minority communities, past academic performance, personal and professional accomplishments, personal attributes, special abilities, academic goals, and financial need.

1. All three parts of the application must be typed or written legibly and all questions must be answered. If a question does not apply, please respond with "Not Applicable" or "N/A".
2. Provide an official high school transcript.
3. Provide a copy of your 2005-2006 Student Aid Report (SAR) (visit www.FAFSA.ed.gov to obtain a copy) as described in Part II

**** A verification statement of admission from the Colorado junior college, community college, four year college or university will be required before the award will be granted (fall 2005 confirmed class schedule is preferred) ****

Applicant's Name _____ Birthdate ____/____/____
(Last) (First) (M.I.)

☐ Male ☐ Female

Mailing Address _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Phone: Home (_____) Phone: Cell (_____)

① Currently Employed	Name of Employer _____	How Long? _____
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Intended Major: _____

PART II—PERSONAL INFORMATION

Please submit a typewritten account of the following information.

- 1) Describe your scholastic achievements; school related extra curricular activities, and community involvement. Include any awards or special recognitions that you have received.
- 2) Provide any pertinent information that would indicate your financial need, including a **copy of your 2005-2006 Student Aid Report (SAR)** [available at www.FAFSA.ed.gov]. If you have not applied for financial aid, please explain.

PART III—ESSAY

Please submit a typewritten essay, not to exceed 1,000 words, telling the committee about yourself as an underrepresented student (see 1. under *Qualifications*) and include one of the following topics:

- 1) Your educational and professional goals
- 2) How past, present and future activities support the probable success of your goals
- 3) How you plan to apply your college education after graduation

APPLICATION DEADLINE

The CESDA Scholarship committee must receive your application and support materials no later than **Friday, March 4, 2005**. Award recipients will be notified by telephone and/or mail no later than April 1, 2005.

This award for a maximum amount of \$1,000.00 is non-renewable and contingent upon the availability of funds. Awards are competitive and will be based on the scholarship application information, the personal essay, and the individual or parental financial information. In case of ties, the postmarked date may be considered. Disbursement of funds is contingent upon enrollment at a Colorado college or university as stated in Qualifications.

I give permission to **CESDA** to release this information to other sources for scholarship purposes. ☐ Yes ☐ No

I certify that all the information on this application and any supplementary forms is true and complete and that I have read and understand the instructions.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

CESDA & GILBERT MARTINEZ

CESDA was formed in 1972 to further the educational development and dissemination of pertinent post secondary information for students of color in the State of Colorado. In 1974, **CESDA** was formally organized as a non-profit corporation and registered with the Colorado Secretary of State. As part of its mission, **CESDA** expects to award underrepresented students with scholarship assistance in their pursuit of higher education.

The **CESDA** Diversity Scholarship is in memory of Gilbert Martinez, a Vietnam veteran, mine worker, businessman and Ph.D. candidate. He was a motivator, leader, and an activist in higher education. His life touched colleagues and students through his many years of service. His words of encouragement made the difference between success and mediocrity.

Please submit this scholarship application and all supporting data to:

CESDA Scholarship Committee
c/o Andrea Salazar
1215 16th Street
Golden, CO 80401

Questions: Call Andrea Salazar
(303) 273-3223 or 1-800-446-9488 (Ext. 3223)

Applications may be duplicated as needed.