



# Community Service Scholarship Program

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Southeast Gas is pleased to provide a Community Service Scholarship program that recognizes outstanding community leadership in high school students and helps those students reach their academic goals.

The program is administered by the Southeast Gas Scholarship Committee, and awards are granted without regard to the actual or perceived race, religion, national origin, ancestry, disability, gender or sexual preference of any applicant.

## Who is eligible?

Applicants to the Southeast Gas Community Service Scholarship program must meet all of the following criteria:

- Must have participated in community service work or volunteer activities;
- Must be currently enrolled in a high school served by Southeast Gas;
- Must be a U.S. resident, age 20 or under;
- Must have a cumulative high school grade point average between 2.50 and 4.00 on a 4.00 scale (or the equivalent) – *emphasis will be placed on community service leadership activities*; and
- Must be accepted as a full-time student at an accredited university, college or technical school prior to scholarship award.

## What will be awarded?

- Up to twenty-four (24) selected recipients will receive a \$1,500 award. (Only one recipient will be selected from each of the 24 public high schools currently served by Southeast Gas.)
- Awards are one-time only and are not renewable.
- Awards are for undergraduate study only.

## How do I apply?

- Applicants must complete and return the three-page application no later than March 13, 2020.
- Applicants must submit a 300-500 word essay as part of the scholarship application packet.
- Applicants must submit a complete high school transcript as part of the scholarship application packet.
- Applicants must submit two letters of recommendation (one from an instructor at applicant's current high school, and one from a member of the community).



- An application is not considered complete until each of these items is received. To be considered for selection, completed applications must be **received** by 5:00 p.m. on March 13, 2020.

#### **How are scholarship recipients selected?**

- Scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of participation in community service activities and volunteer service work, academic grade point average, standardized test scores, financial need and the content of a 300-500 word essay.
- All information received is considered confidential. Decisions are final and are not subject to appeal. The program is competitive; not all applicants will be selected as recipients.

#### **How and when will I be notified?**

- Notification is sent on or before April 10, 2020 via U.S. postal mail to scholarship recipients.
- Recipients and their Principal (or Principal's designee) are encouraged to join Southeast Gas for a recognition luncheon on April 23, 2020, in Troy. (Specific details will be forwarded with scholarship award notification.)

#### **What are a recipient's responsibilities?**

- Recipients must return a completed Scholarship Acceptance Form to Southeast Gas by the indicated deadline.
- Recipients must notify their college, university or vocational-technical school about the award.
- Recipients must notify Southeast Gas of any changes in address, school enrollment, or other relevant information when requested.

#### **How and when are scholarships paid?**

- Payment is made in one installment on or before August 1, 2020.
- Southeast Gas issues checks payable to the school.
- Checks are mailed from Southeast Gas to the student's school of attendance.

#### **Questions? Contact us.**

- Email your inquiries to [marketing@southeastgas.com](mailto:marketing@southeastgas.com).
- Call with your inquiries at (800) 660-8683.

#### **Mail your completed application and supporting documents to:**

**Southeast Gas Community Service Scholarship Program, Attention Mitch Thorn**

Southeast Gas

Post Office Box 1338

Andalusia, Alabama 36420



**2020 Southeast Gas  
Community Service Scholarship Application**

**Application deadline is March 13, 2020. All applications received after 5:00 p.m. on March 13, 2020  
are ineligible for consideration. Incomplete applications are ineligible for consideration.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

High School \_\_\_\_\_

School Address \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Family Information**

Father or Guardian

Mother or Guardian

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Financial Information**

Please check your combined family income (including both parents/guardians).

\_\_\_\_\_ \$0 - \$59,999

\_\_\_\_\_ \$60,000 – \$99,999

\_\_\_\_\_ over \$100,000



### **General**

State briefly what it would mean to you to be awarded the Southeast Gas Community Service Scholarship.

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### **Educational Plans**

Intended college, university or technical school \_\_\_\_\_

Intended major \_\_\_\_\_ Term to be enrolled \_\_\_\_\_

What are your career goals? \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Activities**

List any extra-curricular activities at school in which you have participated or honors you have received.

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List any involvement in community/civic activities and/or work experience.

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### Essay Description

Please attach a reflective essay of 300-500 words that includes why you chose to volunteer with certain groups, what duties you performed and what you gained personally from the experience.

### Signature and Certification

I certify that none of the information provided on this application is false, nor have I withheld any pertinent information. I give permission for information to be given to the appropriate committee so they may review my application for consideration for the Southeast Gas Community Service Scholarship.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### Academic Information (to be completed and signed by high school guidance counselor)

I certify that \_\_\_\_\_ is ranked \_\_\_\_\_ out of a class of \_\_\_\_\_, and has a GPA of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ High School.

ACT Scores: \_\_\_\_\_  
English Math Reading Science Cumulative

Please attach a copy of the student's most recent transcript with this certification.

_____ Signature	_____ Printed Name
_____ Title	_____ Date

### Letters of Recommendation

Applicant should submit two letters of recommendation, along with the completed application and essay. One letter of recommendation should be from a teacher at the school currently attended by the applicant. The second letter should be from a community member. Both letters are part of the application packet, and must be received, along with all other materials, no later than March 13, 2020.

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