

2026/2027 HTFFFCU SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INFORMATION

Scholarship Amount: \$1,500 – **Will only be awarded:** \$750 fall and \$750 spring semesters
(payable to the school)

Eligibility

1. The applicant must have been an HTFFFCU member in good standing with an account in their name for 180 days (join by June 30, 2025) prior to the 2026/2027 Scholarship Program.
2. Applicant is not a previous recipient/winner of the HTFFFCU Scholarship Program.
3. The applicant must be:
 - ♦ Current high school senior or equivalent.
 - OR
 - ♦ Current or previous student attending a two or four year accredited college/university as a full-time student. The recipients will be chosen based upon the following criteria:
 - a) Academic achievement
 - b) Character
 - c) Leadership
 - d) Community Involvement
 - e) An essay

Instructions

1. Complete the application form and answer one of the essay questions (*typed*)
 - ♦ Applications can be downloaded from www.htfffcu.org or requested from the credit union by calling (713) 864-0959.
 - ♦ Be sure to fill in all the information – incomplete applications will not be eligible for consideration.
2. Finalist interviews will be conducted on Saturday, **May 16, 2026**, at the main office at the address: 4200 Kolb Street, Houston, TX 77007. Finalists **must be present** to be considered.
3. Mail completed application to:

Julirey Velasquez, VP/Chief Administrative Officer
Houston Texas Fire Fighters Federal Credit Union
P.O. Box 70009
Houston, TX 77270-0009
4. Applications must be received by March 20, 2026.

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**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
2026/2027 ACADEMIC YEAR**

Typed/Printed and completed application must be received by March 20, 2026.

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Houston Texas Fire Fighters Federal Credit Union
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Houston, TX 77270-0009

APPLICATION NUMBER

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Applicant Name: _____

Applicant's HTFFFCU Account Number: _____

Applicant's Social Security Number: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Male: _____ Female: _____

Home Address: _____

Telephone Number: (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Father's Name: _____

Mother's Name: _____

I live with _____

High School Graduation Date: _____

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Name, address and phone number of high school/college I am presently attending:

Current GPA (based upon a 4.0 scale) _____

Career Plans _____

College Choice (if new) _____

Current/Previous Colleges Attended _____

College Major _____

Expected College Graduation Date: _____

List courses taken during the previous semester and the grade you received for each one.

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| 1. _____ | 5. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 6. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 7. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 8. _____ |

List up to eight achievements, awards or activities ranked in order of importance to you. These may be school, community or church related.

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Write an essay, of **no more than two pages** in length, a **maximum of 300 words**, a font size of 12, double spaced on 8.5" X 11" letter size paper, addressing **one** of the following questions. Essays must be **typed** and must include a heading of the question chosen.

1. Conflict, whether between nations, communities, or individuals, often requires compromise to move forward. Describe a situation where compromise can lead to resolution, and an example of a principle that should not be compromised. What are the consequences of each, and how can they contribute to lasting peace, trust or understanding?
2. Energy decisions made today can have long-term economic, environmental, and community impacts. What concerns, if any, do you have about future energy needs, and what steps do you believe society can take to ensure reliable and sustainable energy for future generations?
3. Two distinctly different monetary substitutes seem to be gaining in both value and support. Metals, such as gold and silver, have significantly increased in value related to other traditional monetary equivalents. Bitcoin and other electronic replacement currencies have also increased in relative value. What are the benefits and pitfalls of each of these? What is the appropriate monetary reality for each? Is there some other option on the horizon?