American Association of University Women Orinda-Moraga-Lafayette Branch 2025 Scholarship for College Women^{*} in the Saint Mary's High Potential Program

Application Deadline: Thursday, March 6, 2025 at 5:00 PM

For junior or senior students who exhibit leadership and academic excellence who are:

- enrolled in the High Potential Program at Saint Mary's College and committed to community engagement.
- enriching their school community through extracurricular activities.
- breaking through educational and economic barriers so that all women and girls have a fair chance.

*Those who identify as female

AAUW-OML supports outstanding young women in the community by awarding two \$2,000 scholarships for Saint Mary's College women who have demonstrated a commitment to Community Service

These scholarship funds are to be used for tuition, fees, books, or supplies to be used at the college or university.

These awards validate the leadership roles and accomplishments of exceptional young women who demonstrate a passion for community engagement and maintain academic excellence. While each student may receive only one scholarship, we encourage you to apply again as a senior student if you did not receive the award as a junior.

Application Process

Your completed application, transcript, and letters of recommendation must be submitted via email no later than 5:00 pm, Thursday, March 6, 2025

Complete this application by assembling the following:

- Obtain a copy of your <u>transcript</u> from the college and scan or download that copy. If you have received it as a PDF, that's even easier. You will be asked to include it by uploading it in your application (nextstep)
- 2. Complete our **application** online; that link is at the bottom of this page; another link to it is on the website. You will need to complete the application in one session, so consider typing it in another document and using "copy and paste" to create your submittal. You will receive a confirmation message by email to acknowledge your submittal.
- 3. Request <u>letters of recommendation</u> from two people who are familiar with your work:
 - a. Your High Potential coach/Professor
 - b. The community representative with whom you have worked and acts as your advisor during your community outreach service

4. Request they email their letters of recommendation to our Scholarship Committee at this address <u>SMC.OML.documents@gmail.com</u> and separately email you confirmation that they have done so.

In addition, the following *instructions to the letter writers* will be most helpful to our committee if the components are included as shown below:

TO: <u>SMC.OML.documents@gmail.com</u>

SUBJECT: (*your name, that is, the name of the student being recommended*) **BODY** of message: they should also include their contact information **Attachment:** their letter of recommendation

If a required item is missing, your application will not be accepted.

Interviews will be held for the finalists with members of the AAUW-OML Scholarship Committee by the end of March 2025.

All recipients will be honored at the Orinda-Moraga-Lafayette Awards Celebration on Sunday, April 27, 2025. Scholarship recipients will be expected to attend and give a brief talk about their community service experience and future goals.

We look forward to hearing from you.

If you have any questions, ask them by email to SMC.OML.documents@gmail.com LINK TO APPLICATION