2013 Youth Serve Montana Scholarship

Presented by the Governor's Office of Community Service, Montana Campus Compact, and Student Assistance Foundation

Recognizing Montana high school senior students for volunteering in their communities

The Youth Serve Montana Scholarship was created to promote volunteerism among high school students, encourage young leaders to further their learning, and provide tuition assistance for Montana students who wish to attend college in-state. Up to 100 students will receive a $1,000 scholarship toward their college tuition. Scholarship funds have been made available through support from Montana Campus Compact, a network of Montana campuses committed to community service; Student Assistance Foundation, a nonprofit dedicated to helping students pursue and fund postsecondary education; and the Governor's Office of Community Service, a state agency tasked with expanding and promoting service in Montana. The Governor's Office of Community Service administers the scholarships.

All scholarship information and application materials can be obtained online at serve.mt.gov. A list of Montana Campus Compact Institutions is available at mtcompact.org.

General Guidelines

Applicant must submit a completed application and proof of acceptance to one of Montana's Campus Compact member institutions to the Governor's Office of Community Service by April 15, 2013.

- Applicant must have completed 100 hours of volunteer service within a 12-month period. 12-months is defined as the period 12 months prior to the date of application.
- AmeriCorps hours may not be used for this application's service hours.
- Scholarship funds must be used for the 2013-2014 academic year at a Montana Campus Compact member institution.
- Students must demonstrate financial need by documenting an active FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) application.

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2013 Scholarship Application Form

Please be sure this section is complete and legible. If information is missing, illegible, or if the student is not of high school senior status the form will not be accepted. Your application must also include proof of acceptance or enrollment at a Montana Campus Compact member institution and confirmation of a submitted FAFSA application. Postmarked deadline: April 15, 2013.

Student Information:

First Name and Middle Initial		Last Name	
Mailing Address			
City		State and Zip	
Student's Email Address			
Home Phone		Birth Date	
Social Security Number *(required)*			
College or University Attending*			

*Please list a Montana Campus Compact Member Institution. Visit mtcompact.org for a complete, up-to-date list of participating colleges and universities.

Publicity Release (Optional):

"If I am selected to receive a Youth Serve Montana Scholarship, the Governor's Office of Community Service, Montana Campus Compact and Student Assistance Foundation may use my name, photo and the name of my school for purposes of news, publicity and publications."

Date: _____ Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature**: _____ (**if student is not 18 years of age)

Contact Information Release (Optional):

"I would like to receive email updates from the Governor's Office of Community Service and Montana Campus Compact about future service and training opportunities."

___Yes ___No

First-Generation College Student (Optional):

"I am the first member of my family attending a college or university."

___Yes ___No

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Student Service Information:

Please list your volunteer service experience, totaling 100 hours at minimum, within the past 12 months. The past 12 months are defined as the period 12 months prior to the date this form is completed. Please attach additional sheets if needed.

Total number of hours served in the past 12 months	
Name of organization where you volunteered	
Contact name at the organization	
Phone number	
Total hours served	
Detailed description of the service activity that you performed	
Description of who benefited from your service activity	
Name of organization where you volunteered	
Contact name at the organization	
Phone number	
Total hours served	
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Narrative Questions:

Please answer the following questions about your commitment to serve. Please limit your responses to less than 300 words each.

1. What factors motivate you to volunteer and how do you plan to continue your commitment to service in the future?

2. How has your volunteer work positively impacted the community around you and how has your service experience impacted you personally? Please reference the service activities listed on the previous page.

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Application Verification:

This application must be verified by your high school guidance counselor, principal, or superintendent. Applications from home schooled students must be verified by the county superintendent.

Please provide the name and contact information of your counselor, principal or superintendent:

Name:	
Position:	
Phone:	
Email:	

"I verify that (student's name) _____ has completed at least 100 hours of service to the community and displays outstanding leadership in service. I certify that the information on this form is accurate and that the process by which the student was recommended did not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, disability, sex, age, political affiliation or religion."

Validating official's signature: _____

Validating official's title: _____

(Print full name):_____

Full Name of High School:	
School Address:	
City, State, Zip	
Contact Name:	
Contact Email:	
School Phone Number:	

Date of your school's award ceremony ____/_____/13
(To ensure a certificate is mailed in time for award ceremony.)

The final postmark for submitting application forms is April 15, 2013. If faxed, please confirm your application by email or phone.

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Please check to make sure your application package is complete! It should include:

- ☐ A legible and complete application form.
- ☐ Description of 100 volunteer service hours in the last 12 months.
- ☐ Verification from your high school counselor, principal, or superintendent.
- ☐ Proof of acceptance or enrollment for the 2013-2014 academic year at a Montana Campus Compact member institution. Please attach a letter from the institution.
- ☐ Proof that you have submitted a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Please attach the FAFSA confirmation email that you receive after completing a FAFSA at www.fafsa.ed.gov. It should contain a confirmation number and no confidential information.

Please refer to the Youth Serve Montana Scholarship FAQ posted at serve.mt.gov/youth-servemontana/ if you have questions about any of these items.

Send completed application to:

Governor's Office of Community Service
Attn: Youth Serve Montana Scholarship
P.O. Box 200801, Helena, MT 59620
Email: serve@mt.gov
Phone: 406-444-9077
Fax: 406-444-4418
Website: serve.mt.gov

Thank you for serving your community!