



SACRAMENTO REGION
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Paulsen Family Scholarship Fund

The Paulsen Family Scholarship Fund was established in 1994 to benefit agricultural students in Colusa and Sutter counties planning to continue their education in the field of agriculture. The Paulsen Family wants to help remove financial obstacles for students who wish to pursue a career in agriculture, but who may lack the funds for college.

Purpose and Amount

A \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to selected recipients who are accepted to and enroll in an accredited community college, and \$2,500 will be awarded to selected recipients who are accepted to and enroll in an accredited four-year college. Each scholarship will be for one year (provided all requirements are met) and is renewable. The purpose of this scholarship is to help pay educational expenses such as tuition, institutional fees, books, and supplies.

Eligibility

To be eligible, an applicant must:

- Be a graduating senior from a Colusa or Sutter county high school, or be a student at a junior college or four-year college who has graduated from a high school in Colusa or Sutter counties
- Be planning to major in some area of agriculture, agribusiness, veterinary medicine, forestry, wildlife management, or natural resources at any community college, four-year college, or university with a well-recognized agricultural program, or be a continuing college student in agriculture
- Have a minimum grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 grading system

Selection

The Board of Directors of the **Paulsen Family Fund** and volunteers approved by the Board will comprise the selection committee. Scholarship, activities in and out of school, essay, letters of recommendation, and personal financial need will be a few of the criteria used in the selection.

Award

The scholarship will be issued over the course of one academic year. Continuous, full-time enrollment (no fewer than 12 units per quarter/semester) is a requirement. The Sacramento Region Community Foundation will disburse the award directly to the university on behalf of the recipient.

How to Apply

Submit a complete application package by the specified due date. Use the following **application package checklist** to make sure your application package is complete:

- A completed application form
- A list of your extracurricular and/or community activities (including work experience)
- An essay of 500 words or less describing yourself and your career goals
- Official transcripts, in a sealed envelope
- Two **current** letters of recommendation from individuals who are not related to the applicant

Please visit www.sacregcf.org to obtain additional information and application materials. For questions, please contact our office at (916) 921-7723 or scholarships@sacregcf.org.

Deadline

The deadline to apply is **April 19, 2010**. Please mail the completed application packet to:

The Paulsen Family Scholarship Fund
P.O. Box 172
Nicolaus, CA 95659

Incomplete applications and those received after the deadline will not be considered.
NO EXCEPTIONS