



Canary Islands Descendants Association of San Antonio (CIDA-SA) 2024 Academic Scholarship Program

WELCOME 2023-2024 SCHOLARSHIP CANDIDATES!

OUR PURPOSE: The CIDA mission is to encourage and promote all educational studies as well as historical and genealogical research that enhance the historical, cultural, and civic significance of the accomplishments of the sixteen original Canary Islands families who founded the *Villa de San Fernando*, now the City of San Antonio. <https://cida-sa.org/>. The CIDA Scholarship Program serves as a vehicle to fulfill this purpose by offering monetary scholarships to high school seniors.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS: Two scholarships may be awarded per year. One \$1200 CIDA scholarship may be awarded to a CIDA member (including junior members) and one \$1000 scholarship, Dr. Alfonso Chiscano Memorial Scholarship, to a non-member. If the selections are composed of two CIDA members, then the highest-scored applicant will receive \$1200 and the second candidate will receive \$1000 scholarship.

AWARD DISTRIBUTION: Scholarships are awarded directly to the student after CIDA receives proof of college registration from the student. College (includes technical college) enrollment in the following academic school year (2024-2025) to retain the award.

ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION GUIDELINES:

- High school seniors
 - CIDA members from any geographical location (includes Junior members)
 - Nonmember residents in Bexar County and adjacent counties
- Minimum 3.0 GPA or numerical GPA of 83 and submit official high school transcripts
- A fully completed and signed application form
- Essay double spaced, Times New Roman 12pt font and 1" margins
 - **Part 1**- Describe how your academic interest relates to or is inspired by the Canary Islands history, genealogy, culture, or civic significance (500-750 words). See <https://cida-sa.org>
 - **Part 2**- Explain your community service involvement and what you learned.
- Two recommendation letters by educators, clergy or civic leaders who are familiar with the applicant
- You may complete the application electronically, print and mail with the required documentation, or you can print the application and then complete it manually. Please be sure your handwriting is legible.
- Mail completed application and accompanying documentation to:
Canary Islands Descendants Association
CIDA Education Committee, P.O. Box 12618, San Antonio, TX 78212

APPLICATION TIMEFRAMES

- Students may start applying immediately
- Students must submit a complete application with essay, recommendation letters and school transcripts and **be postmarked no later than November 15, 2023**. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Award recipients will be notified by March 2024.
- Recipients will be announced at the CIDA Arrival Luncheon held in March 2024, and recipients will receive a courtesy ticket to the luncheon. If guidance is needed with the scholarship application process, you may contact us at cida.satx@gmail.com. A response will be provided within 5 business days. **Good luck to all our scholarship applicants!**

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2024 Academic Scholarship Application

CIDA-SA Member Non-Member

All sections of this application must be completed. Applications are due: November 15, 2023	
Last Name: _____	First Name: _____
Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ (On a 3.0 grade point scale or above) Attach your most recent OFFICIAL SCHOOL TRANSCRIPTS Class Rank: _____	Two reference letters. Return these completed documents in a sealed envelope. Letters must be from educators, clergy, community project/volunteer program, or civic leaders who are familiar with the applicant.
School ID # _____ Counselor Name: _____ Daytime Telephone Number: _____ Email address: _____	
Applicant: Mailing Address: Street: _____ City: State: Zip: _____	
Daytime Telephone Number: () _____	
Applicant Email Address: _____	
Name of post-secondary school attending in the Fall of 2024.	_____

CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES: Attach additional sheet if preferred.

Essay Prompt (500-750 words)

Essay double spaced, Times New Roman 12pt. font and 1" margins.

Part I: Describe how your academic interest relates to or is inspired by Canary Islands history, genealogy, culture, or civic significance. **Part II:** Explain your community service involvement and what you learned. (See <https://cida-sa.org> for information on CIDA)

A. The following items must be attached to this application form to establish your eligibility and to be reviewed by the scholarship committee.

B. Circle "YES" or "NO" to confirm you have attached each item as required.

YES	NO	Scholarship Application Form completed in its' entirety <i>(Incomplete applications will not be considered)</i>
YES	NO	Attach High School Transcripts.
YES	NO	Two (2) Letters of Recommendation. Letters should be written with significant knowledge of applicant's achievements.
YES	NO	Completed and Typed Scholarship Essay in two parts.

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of scholarship applicant: _____ Date: _____

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