

## Congenital Heart Defect Coalition 2024 Scholarship Application Instructions

The CHD Coalition is pleased to be awarding scholarships to eligible graduating high school students who will be attending a post-secondary institution. Applicants must have a congenital heart defect or acquired heart disease and meet the eligibility requirements below.

## **Eligibility Requirements**

The applicant must:

- be a high school senior who will be continuing his/her education in an accredited college, technical, vocational or trade school.
- be a resident of NJ, CT or Metro NY (Metro NY consists of the 5 boroughs, Long Island, Westchester or Rockland County).
- have a congenital heart defect or acquired heart disease.
- complete the Application Elements described below.

## **Application Process:**

- 1. Complete the CHD Coalition Scholarship Application. Since we are accepting applications via email, signatures are not required, but must be filled out and dated.
  - Provide a separate essay that describes how living with congenital or acquired heart disease shapes or
    affects your life and how you overcome any obstacles or challenges you face as a result. The essay must
    be typed, double spaced, two pages or less.
  - Applications must be received via email (preferred) at <u>scholarship@chdcoalition.org</u> or received via mail to the address below on or before April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
- 2. Provide two (2) letters of recommendation received on or before April 16th, 2024
  - Received in a sealed envelope, mailed by the person making the recommendation or,
  - Emailed from the person(s) making the recommendation not the applicant.

Send letters of recommendation to <a href="mailto:scholarship@chdcoalition.org">scholarship@chdcoalition.org</a>. OR

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- 3. If awarded scholarship:
  - Funds will be sent directly to the post-secondary institution to which you have been accepted.
  - A brief description (derived from information provided in the application process), and a photo (you will
    provide) will be posted to the CHD Coalition site and may be used in CHD Coalition Newsletter or other
    Social Media outlets.
  - Failure to provide the information required by award recipients promptly, could result in loss of award.

The selection of the recipients will be determined by the CHD Coalition Scholarship Committee; only scholarship recipients will be notified. All decisions are final and not subject to dispute or appeal. Essays and other application documentation will not be returned. For questions email <a href="mailto:scholarship@chdcoalition.org">scholarship@chdcoalition.org</a>.