

## **YFPA Scholarship Program**

The YFPA Scholarship Program was designed to serve Bay Area graduating high school students who are involved in the Filipino community and have been accepted into a 4-year college/university to pursue a Bachelor's degree.

### **Objective:**

The objective of the program is to provide financial assistance to college-bound students who have demonstrated academic excellence, exhibited leadership potential, and engaged in serving their communities.

Scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of academic achievement, leadership experience, educational and career goals, essay quality (originality, grammar and organization) and financial need. All shortlisted applicants will be invited to an in-person interview.

### **Eligibility Requirements:**

1. Be a graduating college-bound high school senior.
2. Attend a high school within a 50-mile radius of San Francisco, CA.
3. Have an overall grade point average of 3.5 or higher upon graduation.
4. Have been accepted to a 4-year college at the time scholarships are awarded.
5. If chosen as a finalist, attend a 30-minute face-to-face interview.
6. If selected as a recipient, attend the YFPA Scholarship Awards Night in June in San Francisco and read the application essay in front of an audience.

## **Application Requirements:**

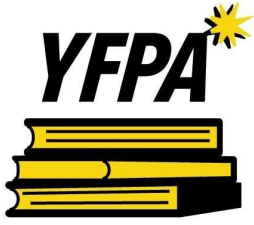
1. Two (2) Letters of Recommendation from a teacher, school counselor, or community leader. Letters of recommendation used for college applications may be used. Letters of recommendation must also contain the contact details of the recommender (phone and email).
2. Proof of college acceptance or current student enrollment.
3. Most recent high school transcript with a minimum 3.5 GPA (cumulative).
4. Personal Essay.
5. Completed Eligibility Form.

## **Award Components:**

Awards will be \$2,500 scholarships. YPFA will award up to a maximum of three (3) scholarships. Selections will be done by the YFPA Scholarship Committee and approved by the YFPA Board of Directors.

## **Program Timeline:**

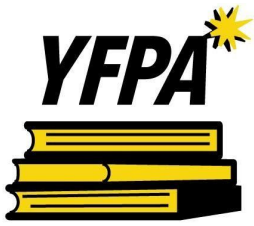
1. Scholarship application form goes live online at <http://www.yfpasf.com/> in March 2020.
2. YFPA Scholarship Committee reviews applications starting April 15, 2020.
3. Scholarship Finalist Interviews on the weekend of May 16, 2020.
4. Final Review and Selection by May 31, 2020.
5. YFPA Gala and Scholarship Awards Night - TBD.



## YFPA Scholarship Application

### Instructions

1. DEADLINE for scholarship applications is April 15, 2020 @ 11:59 PM PT.
2. Complete the following YFPA Scholarship Eligibility Form and Personal Essay. All applications (including the essay) must be typed up. Submissions must be postmarked or received via email by April 15, 2020 @ 11:59 PM PT.
3. Refer to application checklist for a list of the supporting documents needed (i.e. evidence of GPA with application). Incomplete applications will not be considered.
4. Applications should be e-mailed to [g.finuliar@gmail.com](mailto:g.finuliar@gmail.com) **AND** mailed to: YFPA, 368 7<sup>th</sup> Ave., #1, San Francisco, CA 94118. Please make sure to submit your application **BOTH** in e-mail and via regular mail.
5. Up to 7 finalists will be determined by the YFPA Scholarship Committee. Finalists must be available for a 30-minute interview in San Francisco the weekend of May 16, 2020. Scholarship recipients will be notified by May 31, 2020 if they are chosen.
6. If you have any questions about the application, please e-mail to: [Regina.Finuliar.PHR@gmail.com](mailto:Regina.Finuliar.PHR@gmail.com) (Regina Finuliar, YFPA Scholarship Program Director)



## YFPA Scholarship Eligibility Form

*\*the space provided below may not be sufficient so feel free to submit additional page(s)*

1. Complete Home Address (please include zip code):
2. Phone Number (please include area code):
3. E-mail Address:
4. High School Name and Address:
5. If applicable, your school counselor (name and phone number):
6. List any academic honors, awards, and/or recognitions received while in high school.
7. List any involvement in the Filipino community, as well as any activities, hobbies, outside interests, memberships to clubs and organizations, community service, and extracurricular activities.
8. What are your educational and professional goals in college & beyond? Please state your declared major as well as all colleges/universities to which you have applied. What have you done so far to start achieving these goals?

### Personal Essay

*Please attach as a separate document. The essay must be between 500 to 800 words. Submissions must be typed and double-spaced.*

What does being a leader mean to you and how have you demonstrated leadership? Please describe your involvement in the Filipino community. Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

## Application Checklist

The following items must be submitted with this application in order for the application to be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee. Circle "YES" to be sure you have attached each item as required.

1. Two (2) Letters of recommendation from a teacher, school counselor, or community leader. Letters of recommendation used for college applications may be used.

YES NO

2. Proof of college acceptance or current student enrollment.

YES NO

3. Most recent high school transcript with a minimum 3.5 GPA (overall).

YES NO

4. Completed Eligibility Form.

YES NO

5. Personal Essay.

YES NO