



## **Natural Resources and Agriculture Renewal Scholarship**

The West Greeley Conservation District **Renewal Scholarship** has been established to encourage and support previous recipients of our Entering Freshman Scholarship. Up to **three 2,000 scholarships** are awarded each year.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

The scholarships are available to undergraduates with a declared major in a natural resources or agricultural field at an accredited Colorado institution of higher learning. Applicants must have received the Entering Freshman Scholarship from the District within the previous three years and have a GPA of at least 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale).

### **APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

A West Greeley Conservation District application form (attached), a personal essay, a complete transcript of grades during your undergraduate study, and a letter of recommendation from someone (besides a relative) who can speak to your civic and academic accomplishments **since receiving the Entering Freshman Scholarship**.

### **APPLICATION DEADLINE**

Applications should be received no later than **5:00pm, on April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017**. Scholarship winners will be notified in June.

### **RECIPIENT SELECTION, ACCEPTANCE AND DISPURSEMENT**

Applicants may be contacted for an interview. A scholarship selection committee of three or more impartial members of the District Board of Supervisors shall select the winners and alternates for the scholarships based on demonstrated scholastic ability, academic commitment to a field in natural resources or agriculture, involvement in extracurricular activities, volunteer projects, and/or conservation, and financial need. Winners must notify West Greeley Conservation District of intent to refuse or accept the scholarship, and where the scholarship monies are to be sent, no later than July 1st. Recipients will be required to provide a photo for use in promotional materials. If these conditions are not met, the scholarship could be awarded to an alternate candidate.

All scholarship checks will be made payable to the school and will go directly to the school's financial aid or scholarship office upon receipt of official letters of acceptance and proof of course registration, enrollment, and declared major.

## WGCD Renewal Scholarship Application

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City and State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

College or University Attending \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated graduation date \_\_\_\_\_

Declared Major (and minor if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Semester hours completed \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_ \*Attach complete college transcript

How did you learn about this scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

In your **typed, 2-page (maximum) essay**, please include the following:

1. Summary of your relevant activities and accomplishments since receiving the Entering Freshman Scholarship.
2. Your career goals.
3. The importance of agriculture and/or conservation to you.
4. A statement of your financial need.

**Release and Certification-** I hereby attest that I have been accepted as a full-time student, and I have not received a full scholarship from another source. I also give my permission to West Greeley Conservation District to use my name and photo for promotional purposes if selected.

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Applicant**

Completed applications can be emailed to [kristi.helzer@wgcd.org](mailto:kristi.helzer@wgcd.org) with the scholarship type and last name of the applicant in the subject line (ex: Renewal Scholarship; JONES). Reference letters should be sent separately, directly by the referee, using the same subject line.

Applications can also be mailed to:



**West Greeley Conservation District**  
**Attn: Scholarship Committee**  
**4302 W. 9<sup>th</sup> St Rd.**  
**Greeley, CO 80634**