



## D.A.R.E. America Louis “Skip” Miller National Scholarship Award

The D.A.R.E. America Board of Directors is pleased to offer a **\$20,000 scholarship** to recognize academic excellence and reward students who remain true to the goals of the D.A.R.E. program.

This scholarship is awarded annually to a qualified 12<sup>th</sup> grade student to attend the university or college of their choice. Payment will be made directly to the educational institution over a period of four academic years, not to exceed \$5,000 per year.

The requirements for eligibility are as follows:

- Must be a U.S. citizen
- Must have completed junior year of high school at time of application
- Must have a minimum GPA of 3.0
- Must not be related to a current D.A.R.E. officer/administrator
- Must apply only to an accredited institution (4 years) in the U.S.
- Must lead a lifestyle consistent with the goals and objectives of D.A.R.E.
- Must be a member of the D.A.R.E. America Youth Advocacy Board

Applicants must submit a portfolio that includes the following:

- D.A.R.E. Scholarship Application Form
- Scholarship Tracking Form
- An essay, 500-word maximum, addressing the topic “*D.A.R.E.: How it has impacted my life; how I will use these skills to contribute to society.*”
- Written summary documenting academic achievements and extracurricular activities that reflect the spirit and goals of D.A.R.E.
- Written summary documenting current role with the Youth Advocacy Board and projects completed
- Official **sealed** transcript of grades and scholastic scores
- A letter of recommendation from a school administrator/educator
- A letter of recommendation for outstanding achievement in community service from a source other than school administrators/educators or law enforcement officials

### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Applicant must submit their scholarship application portfolio to their D.A.R.E. officer by **April 19, 2024**. The application should be submitted through the student’s last D.A.R.E. officer or an active D.A.R.E. officer of the department in their community.
2. D.A.R.E. officer must complete *Section A* of the Scholarship Tracking Form.
3. D.A.R.E. officer must forward the scholarship application, accompanied by a completed Scholarship Tracking Form, to their respective D.A.R.E. State President or Coordinator by **April 26, 2024**.
4. D.A.R.E. State President or Coordinator must review and approve application, and submit no later than **May 03, 2024** to:

D.A.R.E. America  
Atten: Jacqueline Ho  
YAB Scholarship  
13952 Malena Drive  
Tustin, CA 92780

Application must be Delivered/Received no later than **May 10, 2024** by Jacqueline Ho

The D.A.R.E. America Scholarship Committee will review all applications and make a final selection by **May 24, 2024**. The award recipient will be notified by a D.A.R.E. America representative. The selected student will be required to sign a letter of award and agreement.

Questions regarding the scholarship application should be directed to Jacqueline Ho at (800) 223-3273 ext. 408 or [jacqueline.ho@dare.org](mailto:jacqueline.ho@dare.org).

<b><i>2024 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION TIMELINE</i></b>	
April 19	Student submits scholarship application to your D.A.R.E. Officer
April 26	D.A.R.E. Officer forwards application with tracking form to State D.A.R.E. President / Coordinator
May 03	State D.A.R.E. President / Coordinator forwards application and tracking form to D.A.R.E. America
May 10	Application Delivered/Received by Jacqueline Ho
May 24	Scholarship Committee reviews and makes selection
July 29	Formal presentation of Scholarship Award