



Justice High School SCHOLARSHIP FUND

**PROVIDING SCHOLARSHIPS FOR
AMAZING STUDENTS
With Financial NEED
Application Deadline
April 12, 2022 10 pm**

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Justice High School Scholarship Fund Organization

- Since 2005, the JHSS Fund has awarded over \$1.7 million dollars in scholarships.
- All scholarship payments are made directly to colleges.
- Funds are distributed based on that year's fundraising.



Some of the Named Awards of JHSSF

Ms. Mask Award – an essay is required indicating why you have chosen to concentrate your studies in education, journalism, music, or theater.
Estimated award of \$2000 in 2022.

Jennifer Hernandez – a new award in honor of a student who graduated in 2020 but has passed away in September 2020 – for an ESOL student who plans to attend NOVA.

All of our Named Awards can be viewed on our website



Who Donates money for Scholarships?

- Justice Families, Alumni, Community Members
- Former Stuart Scholarship Recipients
- Businesses, regional & local community organizations (e.g., Rotary and Lions Clubs, etc)
- Justice Faculty & Staff
- Grants from local Non-profit Organizations
- Contributions accepted through the Combined Federal Campaign of the National Capital Area



2021 Awards for Justice High School Scholarship Fund

- The JHSSF awarded \$165,000 to 75 members of the Class of 2021.
- Individual scholarships ranged from \$250 to \$6,000.
- 10 of 75 scholarships were awarded over two years.
- **We expect to award scholarships totaling~ \$225,000 in 2022.**



Who were the 75 JHSSF Scholarship Recipients 2021?

- 61 Pell Grant Eligible
- 70 Qualified for Free or Reduced Lunch
- 47 Parents did not attend College
- 31 Students in prior ESL classes
- 71 Took at least one IB Classes
- 50 Attending Virginia 2 and 4 year colleges
- 69 Participated in programs promoting college

AVID

CPP-College Partnership Program

NOVA Pathways

GMU EIP-Early Identification Program



Scholarship Eligibility

All rising graduates who have been at Justice High School at least **FOUR** semesters prior to graduation are eligible.



Criteria for Awards: Financial Need

Assessment based on:

1. EFC: Expected Family Contribution determined by Federal College Financial Assistance Guidelines.
2. College Financial Aid Award Letter: Financial aid packages offered by colleges along with their determination of the 'cost of attendance'.
3. Grants and Scholarships from other organizations



Criteria for Awards

Assessment also based on:

- Academic Success & Rigor of Coursework
- School Commitment and Activity
- Community Involvement
- Commitments: Family Support and/or Jobs
- Recommendations: Faculty & Community



Recommendations & Essays

- Two recommendations are required from Justice Faculty and/or Staff who have known you at Justice High School.
- We also encourage submission of a community member recommendation from employers, coaches, scout leaders or clergy and others who know the applicant. This gives the Scholarship Committee a broader understanding of the applicant's commitments.
- The applicant's short answers and essays help the Scholarship Committee to know the applicants, their personal situations and their academic goals.



Scholarships fill Gaps

- Our scholarships are last dollar scholarships, our goal is to fill the gaps that might prevent a student from attending college, the typical Gap is shown below:
- Cost of Attendance for School for 2022-23
- Less Expected Family Contribution [EFC from Fafsa or JHSSF Alternative Financial Form]
- Less Financial Aid awarded by college
- Less Other Scholarships [Apple Credit Union, McDonalds, AAUW, etc]
- GAP-The gap is funds which the student must pay in addition to the EFC, and loans. See example which follows.

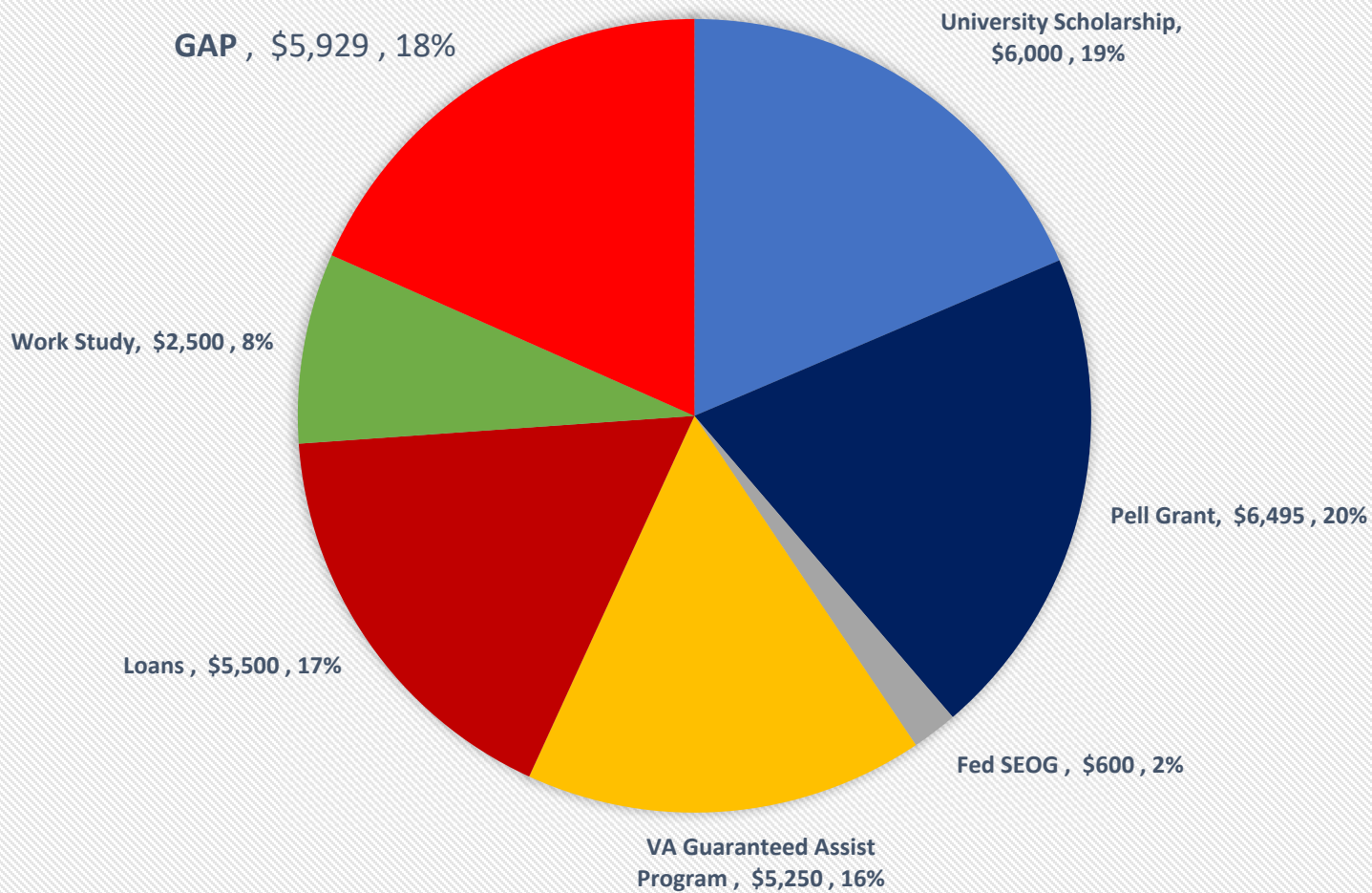


Sample Financial Aid Award for an in –State VA student with \$0 EFC- in this case the student and family have a 0 efc, but will need to pay \$5929.

Virginia Public College	Amount
Cost of Attendance 2022-23	\$ 32,274
University Scholarship	6,000
Pell Grant	6,495
Fed Grant	600
VA (State) Grant	5,250
Loans Federal Guaranteed	5,500
Work Study	2,500
Total AWARD	\$26,346
GAP	\$ 5,929

Sample Financial Aid Award 22-23

COST OF ATTENDANCE \$32,274





Funding the Gap

- The JHSSF helps students fund the Gaps which increasingly appear in most financial aid award letters. As Gaps have increased, the Fund has found it difficult to fund the entire Gap, and therefore we encourage all applicants to apply for multiple scholarships.
- Because of the large Gaps in financial aid packages, the fund is no longer able to offset loans with scholarships.



What you should do now

1. Identify recommenders and request recommendations
2. Obtain copies of your 7th semester transcript and your FAFSA SAR or the JHSSF Financial Form
3. Complete essays and short answers; note that readers will see all essays, so duplicate essays are discouraged.

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