



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION • EMPOWERMENT • EDUCATION
Empowering South Asian and Arabic women & families to lead safe and healthy lives
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SAHELI SCHOLARSHIP FORM

Are you a high school senior pursuing higher education but needing financial support? We are awarding scholarships of \$1000-\$2000 to three girls or women from South Asian and Arab communities in Massachusetts for college tuition and fees.

Saheli recognizes that some BIPOC women and girls and people of color may hesitate to apply for opportunities unless they meet every qualification perfectly. We are committed to evaluating candidates holistically and encourage all interested to apply.

Eligibility

1. A high school senior women or girl (class of 2024)
2. Residing in MA (United States)
3. South Asian and Arabic Origin (India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Afghanistan, Nepal, Bhutan and Sri Lanka and many Arabic speaking countries.)
4. Accepted into an institution of higher education
5. Must be willing to participate in the Saheli Fellowship Program

Application Period

The 2024 application period ends June 30th, 2024.

This is a one-year scholarship, renewable for qualified students.

Please complete the entire form. Incomplete forms will not be considered. All the information will be verified by Saheli Staff and the committee.

Your Personal Information:

1. Full Name: _____
2. Cell Phone: _____
3. Local Address

4. Email Address: _____
5. Pronouns: _____
6. Date of Birth: _____
7. Place of Birth: _____
8. Your Citizenship Status: _____
9. Primary Language Spoken at Home: _____

Parents (Guardians) and Family:

1. Name of Father: _____
2. Occupation: _____
3. Name of Mother: _____
4. Occupation: _____
5. Combined Family Income: _____
(father, mother, children)
6. Number of Siblings: _____
7. Number of children currently living at home: _____
8. Number of children in school: _____
(primary, secondary, high school)
9. Number of children in college: _____
10. Number of children working full-time or part-time: _____

High School Information

1. Highest Degree achieved by applicant:

2. Name of High School: _____
3. What was your High School GPA? _____
GPA Freshman Year _____ Senior Year _____
GED Status _____
Other high school degrees? _____
4. List High school activities: _____

5. List public service/community activities: (use additional pages as required)

6. List part time jobs in High School:

7. Current place of employment if any:

8. Number of hours of work per week: _____
9. List all High School awards, scholarships or special recognition with details:

College Information

1. College/Vocational School You Will Attend:

2. Length of the program: _____
3. Enrollment Date: _____ End Date: _____
4. Intended Major: _____
5. Estimated Cost of First Year Tuition: _____
(not including room and board):
6. List Sources of Income to Finance Education?

7. Where will you reside while attending college?
Home _____ On Campus _____
* If on campus
list cost of room and board _____

Requirements

1. Provide two References, at least one should be from a teacher in your final year of high school.
 - a) Name _____ relationship: _____
 - b) Name _____ relationship: _____
2. **On a separate sheet of paper** in less than 300 words, please write a personal statement to answer:
 - a) What are your educational goals and how do you intend to reach them?
 - b) What activities or experiences have you participated in, or had, which will aid you in achieving your goals?
 - c) Have you received any scholarship aid or grants to attend college to date? List details.
3. If there are any special circumstances that you would like to bring to the attention of the Scholarship Committee, please indicate on a separate sheet of paper.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

I hereby certify that the above statements are true and correct

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN

The first award check will be sent on September 1, 2023 and will be half the amount of the entire scholarship. The second award will be mailed on January 1, 2024 upon submission of the transcript from the previous semester and satisfactory completion of course work. The Scholarship Committee will make the second award at its discretion.

Required Documents

Application return instructions. Please submit the following:

College acceptance letter
Official high school transcript
Two references (one from an educator)
Personal statement (approximately 600 words)

Respond by the deadline of June 30th, 2024, 5:00 pm.
Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Applicants will be rated on the following criteria:

1. Personal interview
2. Quality of the personal statement
3. Content of the recommendation letter
4. Participation in community and volunteering

Mail application to: Saheli, P.O Box 1345, Burlington, MA 01803

or email all documents and required attachments to:

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