



**Santa Ana Elks Lodge No. 794**  
**Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks**

## **MACHADO FAMILY COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP**

### **APPLICATION FORM**

#### **History of the Machado Family College Scholarship**

This is an annual scholarship from the Machado Family to support academic achievements for our youth. It provides a four-year college student with financial assistance to complete their degree in their chosen career field. Eligible students must be currently enrolled as a fulltime student in an accredited four-year college or university for the Fall 2027 term. Funding for this scholarship is provided by donations from the Machado family.

#### **Scholarship Awards**

**For the 2027-2028 academic year, two scholarships of \$1,000 will be awarded depending on applicant qualifications.**

## **Qualification of Applicants**

To qualify for the Machado Family College Scholarship, applicants must meet all the following:

- Be currently enrolled as a full-time student at an accredited four-year college or university
- Possess a GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Be an Orange County resident
- Believe in God
- Be an American citizen
- Complete the Machado Family College Scholarship in its entirety
- Provide three letters of recommendation
- Complete an essay demonstrating financial need
- Provide a copy of their transcript; unofficial is acceptable
- No age restriction

## **Scoring of Applications**

The Santa Ana Lodge Scholarship Committee will assess applications and select the winners. Winners will receive a “**Verification of Enrollment**” form to be completed **after** enrolling at the school you will be attending. When the Lodge receives that form and the required documentation of enrollment, a check will be sent as described on the verification form. If you elect to delay using the scholarship in the academic year for which it was awarded, a written request must be made to the Scholarship Chair. The scholarship must be used within 18 months of its receipt.

**Applications must be received at the Santa Ana Elks Lodge  
no later than 5:00 pm January 15, 2027**

**Drop off, mail, or email to:**

Santa Ana Elks Scholarship

**c/o Teresa A Mountain**

1751 S. Lyon Street, Santa Ana, CA 92705

**[ScholarshipsSantaAnaElks@gmail.com](mailto:ScholarshipsSantaAnaElks@gmail.com)**

**MACHADO FAMILY COMMUNITY COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP  
APPLICATION 2027-2028**

**Personal Information**

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| <b>Name</b>                  |  | <b>Date of Birth</b> |  |
| <b>Street Address</b>        |  |                      |  |
| <b>City, State &amp; Zip</b> |  |                      |  |
| <b>Telephone Number</b>      |  |                      |  |
| <b>Email Address</b>         |  |                      |  |

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| <b>School currently attending</b>              |  |
| <b>School planning to attend<br/>Fall 2026</b> |  |
| <b>Major</b>                                   |  |

By checking this box, I affirm that I am a United States citizen ☐

By checking this box, I affirm that all of the information set forth in this application, including all the documents submitted, is true and correct to my knowledge, and that no information or materials have been falsified in any way. ☐

### **Work Experience**

List jobs you have held during the past 3 years. Start with the most recent and include work, even if you were not paid. List approximate total hours worked, not average hours per week.

| <b>Specific Nature of Work</b> | <b>Employer</b> | <b>Dates of Employment</b> | <b>Total Hours</b> |
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### **Community Service**

List community service you performed during the past 3 years, starting with the most recent. List approximate **total** hours.

| <b>Specific Nature of Community Service</b> | <b>Organization</b> | <b>Dates of Service</b> | <b>Total Hours</b> |
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## **Essay**

On a separate sheet of paper, type an essay of no more than 500 words, double spaced, on the topic listed below. **The essay must be dated and signed.**

Explain the impact receiving this scholarship will have on you meeting your future goals.

## **OPTIONAL: Special Circumstances Essay**

On a separate document, submit an essay of no more than 250 words, double-spaced, regarding anything you would like to add demonstrating any hardships you have overcome or other special circumstances you would like the Scholarship Committee to consider when reviewing your application.

## **Letters of Recommendation**

Provide/attach 3 **letters of recommendation** from the following: (1) a teacher, (2) a counselor, and (3) a community member.

## **OPTIONAL: Test Scores & Awards**

Although test scores are no longer required to complete this scholarship application, you have the option of attaching your **test score reports** (e.g., ACT, SAT) to this application for consideration. You may also attach any **awards or certificates** you have received for consideration.

## **Instructions for Organizing Final Application**

1. Order of pages in completed folder:
  - a. Application
  - b. Essay and optional essay – remember to sign and date
  - c. Transcript(s)
  - d. Three Letters of Recommendation (may be attached to the scholarship application, or may be emailed/mailed by the letter writer directly to Teresa Mountain at the address listed below)
  - e. Copies of any awards/certificates you wish to include (optional)

### **Thank you for applying for the Machado Family College Scholarship.**

All applicants will be notified following judging which will be completed on or before the end of February 2027.

Questions regarding completion of this application?  
Please contact Teresa Mountain: Tmountain41@yahoo.com

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