



CORE's Que Llueva Café Scholarship Program  
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## Tenth Annual Que Llueva Café Scholarship Instructions

Application Deadline: March 17, 2018  
Amount of Each Scholarship: \$500

CORE proudly sponsors this scholarship to help undocumented students continue on their academic path. This scholarship is a response to the lack of financial aid that undocumented students face every day at their respective college. In particular, CORE seeks to support undocumented students that have met the academic requirements asked of them and hold the academic promise to achieve so much more.

The "Que Llueva Café" Scholarship aims to support the dreams, hopes and aspirations of college bound undocumented students so that they can earn their college education and allow for all of their hard work and sacrifice to persevere. This scholarship program strives to make a world of difference. ¡Ójala que llueva café!

### Eligibility Criteria:

- Must be an undocumented student (DACA students are eligible).
- Must be or will be a high school/GED graduate who will enroll for the first time in an accredited college or university in the U.S. or Puerto Rico for the 2018-2019 academic year. Due to limited funds, current college students who have already graduated high school or received their GED will not be considered.
- Must demonstrate financial need.
- Must demonstrate academic potential and promise.

### Application Materials:

*Please ensure that you provide all the items below and only those items. Failure to do so can result in disqualification of your application.*

- **Que Llueva Café Scholarship Application** – Please complete the application in full. **Note: We have a new place to mail the application!**
- **One Letter of Recommendation** – You may submit an extra letter but only one is required. We will only accept a maximum of 2 letters of recommendation. Please do not send more than 2 letters.
- **Personal Statement (1000 words maximum)** – Your personal statement must fulfill the following three things to be considered complete. Please read carefully.
  1. You must include a description of your current financial need as an undocumented student in your personal statement.
  2. You must indicate in your personal statement that you are an undocumented student (DACA students are eligible).
  3. You must write a response to **ONLY ONE** of the writing prompts below:

**Writing Prompts:**

- a. Provide an autobiography that includes your dreams, hopes, and aspirations.
  - b. How would you describe your high school experience and what do you expect to gain by enrolling in college?
  - c. What is your greatest motivation for attending college next year?
  - d. Professor James Diego Vigil wrote, "To understand the Chicano people is to understand their history. It is to recognize that Chicanos have been shaped by a series of social systems. Each social system made its own imprint, adding a new and different piece to the complex mosaic that evolved under intense and strained culture change" (Vigil, 1998, p.285). What did Vigil mean by this quote? Identify and analyze a "social system" that has shaped you and your community.
- **Copy of High School transcript** – Submit your most current high school transcript. You may submit an unofficial or official transcript.

**Instructions:**

1. Send only the application materials listed above. **Do not include these instructions.**
2. Clearly label your Personal Statement as "Personal Statement" on the top right hand corner. **The Personal Statement should have a one-inch margin and be double-spaced.** If typed (*highly encouraged*), ensure that your font size is 12. If hand written, writing must be legible and be written on ruled paper.
3. Provide all application materials into one large envelope in the following order:
  - a. Scholarship Application (*on top of all documents*)
  - b. Letter(s) of Recommendation (*behind Scholarship Application*)
  - c. Personal Statement (*behind Letter(s) of Recommendation*)
  - d. Copy of High School Transcript (*behind Personal Statement*)
4. **Everything must be mailed together.** Recommenders may provide sealed letters (though not required) but they must still be mailed together with the other application materials. The same applies for high school transcripts. Please plan accordingly and give yourself sufficient time to gather all application materials.
5. **Only complete applications will be accepted.**
6. **Ensure your application is postmarked by March 17, 2018 and mailed to OUR NEW address below.**

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**All unpaid/insufficient postage will be returned.**

**Please use regular mail (*no special handling, please*) when mailing your application.**

***Best of luck  
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