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Nevada Bighorns Unlimited - Legacy Scholarship Program

Nevada Bighorns Unlimited (NBU) was founded in 1981 by a small group of Nevada sportsmen and conservationists with the guiding principle: *"To protect and enhance Nevada's wildlife resources for sportsmen, outdoor and wildlife enthusiasts for this and future generations: NBU volunteers do this through the reintroduction of big game, habitat conservation and improvement, public education and participation, biological and scientific research, and the influence of public policy."*

Since its beginning, NBU has grown into one of the most successful and respected results driven, non-profit organizations in the state of Nevada with a growing membership base of over 3,800 people. Thanks largely to NBU's fundraising and volunteer efforts; Nevada now has more than 10,000 bighorn sheep, more than any other state in the lower 48. It's not just about bighorn sheep though. Rocky Mountain elk, pronghorn antelope, mule deer, numerous fish species, numerous bat species, sharp-tailed grouse, and sage-grouse have all benefited from projects developed, funded and coordinated by NBU. The NBU also supports youth programs which introduce youth to the outdoors and programs that help develop wildlife professionals in Nevada.

The NBU Legacy Scholarship Program was developed to honor those individuals that have contributed significant time and resources to NBU. The program was also developed to commemorate the accomplishments of NBU throughout our history. It's our goal as sportsmen and working professionals to leave a legacy of wildlife conservation for future generations. We feel that supporting students with academic scholarships will aid our mission and benefit Nevada's wildlife immensely. Funding for this program comes from countless sportsmen volunteer hours and dollars.

The following criteria are considered for eligibility in the NBU Legacy Scholarship Program:

- Must be a current Nevada resident,
- Must be currently enrolled in a four-year university,
- Must be a college undergraduate with Sophomore, Junior or Senior status based on credits completed prior to Fall 2024 **or** a Graduate student.

Scholarship awards are based on scholastic proficiency, commitment to conservation of wildlife or natural resources, character, and service. Applicants must also clearly demonstrate the ability and desire to contribute to Nevada's wildlife. Successful recipients will be awarded a scholarship amount between \$250 and \$3,000.

Scholarship applications must be emailed to <u>NVBighornsScholarship@gmail.com</u> no later than April 15, 2024. Electronic transcripts are acceptable, but NBU reserves the right to request official transcripts in hard copy format at their discretion. Questions can be directed to the same email address. Name (Last, First, MI): Click here to enter text.

Mailing Address (address; city, state, zip): Click here to enter text.

Phone:

Email: Click here to enter text.

College attending: Click here to enter text.

Residency status for tuition purposes at above institution In-state resident Out-of-state resident

List major(s) and any minor(s) Click here to enter text.

Credits completed: Click here to enter text. Cumulative GPA: Click here to enter text.

Volunteer and Community Service Activities: Click here to enter text.

Leadership positions held:

Honors Received: Click here to enter text.

ESSAY QUESTION (please attach as separate document – 250 to 1,000 words):

How will you contribute to the conservation of Nevada's wildlife?

I attest that to the best of my knowledge the information on this application is true and accurate.

Signature _____ Date Click here to enter text. applicant

~ Sportsmen Working for the Future of Nevada's Wildlife ~

Please ensure the following are enclosed:

 \Box Completed application

□Essay question response

□Proof of Nevada residency

□Official transcript(s) from all Colleges

Please provide the following information so we may publicize your award.

Parent's Name: Click here to enter text. Parent's Address: Click here to enter text. Hometown Newspaper: Click here to enter text.