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Nevada Bighorns Unlimited – Legacy Scholarship Program

Nevada Bighorns Unlimited (NBU) was founded in 1980 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 8,500 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 established to honor those individuals that have contributed significant time and resources to NBU. The program commemorates 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.

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 2026 **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 \$500 and \$5,000.

Scholarship applications must be emailed to NVBighornsScholarship@gmail.com no later than April 15, 2026. 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.

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Nevada Bighorns Unlimited – Legacy Scholarship Program Application

Name (Last, First, MI):

Mailing Address (address; city; state; zip):

Phone:

Email:

College attending:

List major(s) and minor(s):

Credits completed:

Cumulative GPA:

Other educational assistance received:

Volunteer and Community Service Activities:

Leadership positions held:

Honors Received:

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ESSAY QUESTIONS

Please attach a separate document and respond to each of the three questions in **500 words or less per question**.

Important Note: All responses must be your own original work. **The use of AI-generated content (including tools such as ChatGPT, Copilot, Bard, etc.) is not permitted.** We will be utilizing AI-detection tools to verify the authenticity of all submissions. Applications found to contain AI-generated content may be disqualified.

1. Describe an experience you've had that deepened your understanding of wildlife. How did this experience shape your career goals and approach to conservation?
2. Nevada is facing a significant controversial challenge with managing our feral horse population. What innovative solutions would you propose to address this issue?
3. If you received a significant research grant to study any aspect of Nevada's wildlife or habitat, what would you investigate and why? Describe your methodology and the potential conservation impact of your findings.

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

Applicant Signature:

Date:

Please ensure the following are attached to your e-mailed application:

- Completed application
- Essay questions response
- Proof of Nevada residency
- Transcript(s) from all Colleges

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