

Nashua PAL Scholarships - Trade/Vocational/Certificate Only Application

Thank you for your interest in the Nashua PAL Scholarships! This application is for all Nashua PAL Scholarships, including the Nashua PAL Allard Family Scholarship. We are excited to hear more about your education journey.

This Nashua PAL scholarship round will ONLY support non-traditional educational pursuits, e.g., trade schools, certificate programs, and certificates tied to a career track. Funds may be used for any expenses associated with the cost of attending and completing their academic or career training program; this may include tuition, room/board, fees, materials or books, transportation, technology such as a laptop, licensing or testing costs, or 'tools of the trade' required for the program of choice. The candidate should be accepted and committed to attend (or currently attending) a trade school, certificate, or professional development program leading to entry into a skilled trade or profession.

Applicants must have attended/participated in a Nashua PAL program, including but not limited to, the PAL Youth Safe Haven, PAL Force, PAL Cross Country in partnership with Gate City Striders, PAL K-9 Cheer, PAL Basketball, PAL Boxing, PAL Street Hockey, PAL Police Explorers, etc. You will be asked to share your experience with Nashua PAL in your responses.

Please note, you will have the option to answer many scholarship questions by typing your response OR uploading a video/document/portfolio/etc. that will answer those questions. We are also happy to set up an in-person interview if that would make you more comfortable.

Please note, only completed applications with responses to all questions via the mediums listed above will be considered. There are 4 sections: **Your Demographic Info**, **Household/Family Demographics**, **Education Opportunity**, and **Tell Us About Yourself**. You are able to save this application on your Google account and return as needed. Once you hit submit, no changes can be made to your application.

All applications received are considered confidential and are reviewed only by the Members of the Nashua PAL Scholarship Committee. By submitting your application, you acknowledge that Nashua PAL may use some of the information provided for marketing or communication purposes while ensuring your privacy is protected. Nashua PAL also reserves the right to share any stories about your coach's or mentor's impact with them so they understand how much impact they may have had on you.

Please be honest and open in your responses. We look forward to learning more about you and supporting your educational journey!

** Indicates required question*

1. Email *

Your Demographic Info

Nashua PAL supports all individuals and families in our beautifully diverse community. Nashua PAL will protect your privacy and confidentiality on your scholarship application. Your demographic data will not be provided to the scholarship committee. We collect this information for program improvement and necessary impact reporting.

2. First and Last Name *

3. Date of Birth *

Example: January 7, 2019

4. Phone Number *

5. Street Address *

6. Address Line 2

7. City *

8. State *

9. Postal / Zip Code *

10. Ethnicity *

Mark only one oval.

Hispanic/Latino

Non-Hispanic/Latino

11. Race *

Mark only one oval.

Asian

Black/African American

Hispanic/Latino

Multi-Racial

Native American

Other

Pacific Islander

White/Causasian

12. Gender Identity *

Mark only one oval.

- Female
- Male
- Non-binary/Non-conforming
- Other
- Prefer not to respond
- Transgender

Household / Family Demographics

13. Number of Adults in Household *

Mark only one oval.

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- More than 6

14. Number of Children in Household *

Mark only one oval.

- 0
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6 or More

15. Primary Language Spoken at Home *

16. Household or Family Annual Income *

Mark only one oval.

- Less than \$9,999
- \$10-14,999
- \$15-24,999
- \$25-34,999
- \$35-\$49,999
- \$50-\$74,999
- More than \$75,000
- Unknown

17. Do You or Anyone in Your Household Qualify for Free/Reduced School Lunch? *

Mark only one oval.

- Free
- Reduced
- Unknown

18. Do any of these apply to you/your household? Please check all that apply

[What is a 1st Generation Student?](#)

[What is a 1st Generation American or 2nd Generation American?](#)

Check all that apply.

	Self	Someone in the Household
First Generation American/Immigrant	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Second Generation American	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
First Generation Student	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
English is Second Language	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Serving in the US Military	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Veteran of the US Military	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Educational/Vocational Opportunity

The following questions will ask about the degree, certification, or trade you are pursuing that this scholarship will be supporting.

19. What Educational Opportunity are You Pursuing? *

Please provide the name of the certification or trade

20. Please Provide the Name of the School or Apprenticeship *

21. What's the Total Estimated Cost of Your Education for 1 Year/1 Program?

For instance, if you are going to a vocational school, what is your total program cost including tools (if applicable)? If you don't know, reach out to your school's Business Office to find out or email scholarship@nashupal.com if we can help you navigate this process.

Tell Us About Yourself

You can answer these questions in this application by **typing your answer in the boxes, uploading a narrative, uploading a video or pasting a link to the video, and/or uploading photos/portfolios.** We are also happy to set up an **in-person interview** if that's your preference. Your answers can be any length you choose. Let us get to know you!

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- 22. Please Identify 3 Goals You Have for the Next 3 Years, and Tell Us How This Scholarship Will Impact Your Educational Plan *

If you are providing your answer in an upload, please type "Upload"

- 23. PAL Participation - What Impact Did PAL Have on You? *
Can you share a story about your time in PAL programming? Was there a coach or mentor that impacted your life? Did you learn a certain skill or skills that has helped you in your life?

If you are providing your answer in an upload, please type "Upload"

- 24. Share an Example of How You Make a Difference in Your Community or Plan to Make a Difference in Your Community *

Volunteering? Participating in community or church groups? Championing a cause that means a lot to you?

If you are providing your answer in an upload, please type "Upload"

25. If You Prefer to Upload Your Responses to the 3 Questions Above, Please Do So Here

Maximum File Size is 1 GB Each. Up to 5 Files Allowed Here.

Files submitted:

26. Are You a Previous Nashua PAL Scholarship Recipient? *

Mark only one oval.

Yes

No

27. If You Answered "Yes" to the Above...

If you are a previous Nashua PAL Scholarship recipient, please provide us with an update on your educational journey. Any progress, challenges, or stories you would like to share?

28. Please Provide Any Other Information that Will Help Us Get to Know You Better

Letter of reference? Sample of your work? This is not required.

Files submitted:

29. We understand that pursuing higher education can come with financial challenges that might not be reflected by the information you've already provided. If you wish to share, you can tell us about you or your family's financial situation.

This is not required. If you are providing your answer in an upload, please type "Upload"

If you receive a Nashua PAL Scholarship, you agree that the funds will be used to further your educational opportunities.

By clicking submit, you understand and agree that you have provided accurate information to the best of your abilities.

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