

## 2026 Charles J Forster Scholarship Guidelines

### I. **Eligibility**

- Any college student who lives or has lived within the Salida Hospital District, as well as Westcliffe School District or Saguache School District
- Will be attending college fall of 2026 and entering the healthcare field.
- Must have a 3.2 college GPA and 24 credit hours.
- May not be related to an HRRMC Foundation Board Member.

### II. **Review Process**

- Scholarship Selection Committee will be assembled to review submitted applications (this usually occurs within three weeks of the application deadline).
- Applications will be reviewed by the HRRMC Foundation Scholarship Selection Committee.
- Each application will be scored on pre-established criteria.
- Scholarship Selection Committee will make a final award decision based on total scores of each application.
- Annual Scholarship(s) for \$2,500.00 will be awarded. Applicants and recipients must reapply each year.

### III. **Application Components (scoring criteria)**

- Completed one-page application form.
- A one-page narrative outlining why the applicant desires to receive the scholarship award.
- A one-page narrative outlining your community service.
- Two (2) letters of reference. One professional reference (academic or work related) and one personal reference (friend or community member).
- Copy of current college/program transcript through Spring Semester.

### IV. **Application Deadline**

- Applications must be postmarked or emailed on or before June 5, 2026.

### V. **Notification & Payout**

- Following approval, HRRMC Foundation will notify applicants of award decision(s).
- Scholarship award will be paid directly to the institution where applicant has been accepted once the HRRMC Foundation has received a Verification of Enrollment letter from the said institution.

### VI. **Submission of Application**

- Applications should be sent or emailed to:

HRRMC Foundation  
Scholarship Selection Committee  
P.O. Box 429  
Salida, CO 81201

Or emailed to [Lezlie.burkley@hrrmc.net](mailto:Lezlie.burkley@hrrmc.net)

Direct inquiries to 719.530.2218