



The Purr Project Foundation

Help For Those Who Help Others

Suzan D'Antonio Full Bucket Memorial Scholarship Application



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Before You Start

Background

Thank You for applying for the Purr Project Foundation's Suzan D'Antonio Full Bucket Memorial Scholarship. The Purr Project has dedicated this scholarship to Suzan D'Antonio, the Purr Project's first friend and matron saint. The scholarship is not named on a bucket list but for "*How Full Is Your Bucket*", a book by Tom Rath and Donald Clifton, Ph.D. The book describes how a person - best friend, coworker, or stranger - can (through their own positive words and deeds), fill your "bucket" making you feel more positive. It is this principle that guided the life of Suzan D'Antonio as a veterinary technician and an animal rights advocate - she filled buckets. The scholarship then, will go to those applicants who "*fill the buckets*" of others by being an advocate for those who have no voice.

Intent

Based on the premise stated above, this scholarship is about service - your service to animals and our service to you. The Purr Project has dedicated this scholarship in Suzan's name in order to support you and **fill your bucket**. Academics do indeed matter, but it is just a component of the overall formula of how we arrive at our decision. This scholarship is for those who not only have ideas but for those who are about action in serving animals. Simply put, we want doers. Each and every application will be reviewed with the understanding that each applicant is an individual and that there are going to be different ideas, different experiences, and different manners of service. This service may take many forms: helping maintain feral colonies, writing a newsletter, volunteering at a local shelter, helping with anti-cruelty programs, etc. Since the scholarship is awarded yearly, applicants are encouraged to reapply if they are not successful in a prior year.

One important thing to remember is that this scholarship is for students who are or will be enrolled in vet-tech, pre vet, or veterinary medicine programs. We understand however, that academic programs can vary widely. Therefore, if your institution does not have one of these programs but your intent is to serve animals in one of these capacities, then you should apply anyway. Neither Suzan nor The Purr Project, condones animal testing research (i.e. pharmaceuticals), and will not grant scholarships in these areas.

The scholarship is paid in two (2) installments of \$500 (one per semester), totaling \$1000 per school year. Unlike the usual academic scholarship, our support is for the items that students need but that the other scholarships may not cover. These items include books for classes, meal plan (or to add points) or supplies (i.e. notebooks, etc.). You may even use the funds for a combination of these items (i.e. \$300 for books/ \$200 for meal plan).

Requirements

- Completed Application
- Resident of The State of Connecticut (while school is in recess).
- Documented community service for animals
- Currently enrolled in a vet-tech, pre-vet, graduate veterinary program, or a comparable program for current college students. High school seniors must have committed to such a program
- Single typewritten page describing your service in "filling buckets" to animals in the past - your career/life mission and goals as they relate to the care of animals in the future.
- Letter of recommendation
- Possible phone interview

What To Expect

All applications will go through a review process that includes review of each application by the Purr Project Foundation Board of Directors, and possibly a phone interview.

Remember that awarded funds can only be used for approved purposes: books, meal plans, school supplies, etc, or a combination of these.

This application and the information contained herein is for the guidance of students and Foundation personnel and does not constitute a contract or legal document. No information will be shared with third parties. Scholarship offerings are subject to change.

The Purr Project, Inc., The Purr Project Foundation, Inc., and its affiliates are committed to a policy of providing scholarships to qualified students regardless of economic or social status and will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, ethnic origin, national origin, creed, religion, political belief, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, age, veteran status, or physical or mental disability.

The Purr Project Foundation, Inc., is a 501(c)3 Charitable Organization and relies on contributions from the general public. 100% of these charitable contributions go toward the scholarship award and are tax deductible.

Application

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Address 1 _____

Address 2 _____

City/town _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone #1 _____ Phone # 2 _____

Email Address _____

COLLEGE INFORMATION – GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS SKIP TO NEXT SECTION

Name of Institution _____

Address 1 _____

Address 2 _____

City/town _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Dates Attended _____ GPA _____

Program of Study _____

FOR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

Name of High School _____

Address 1 _____

Address 2 _____

City/town _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Dates Attended _____ GPA _____

Intended Major _____

COMMUNITY SERVICE / JOB EXPERIENCE

| Organization | Year(s) involved | Hours/week | How has this led to YOU filling buckets? |
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AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

| Award or recognition | Year(s) involved | Local, State, National |
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EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

| Organization | Year(s) involved | Hours/week | How has this led to YOU filling buckets? |
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HOBBIES

MAIL TO:

The Suzan D'Antonio Memorial Scholarship
The Purr Project Foundation, Inc.
12 Winged Foot Court
Cheshire, Connecticut 06410-2354

I understand that the application is incomplete and cannot be reviewed unless the following documents are attached and received by the Purr Project Foundation, Inc (Please verify with a check mark by each item.)

- ☐ Completed Application
- ☐ Letter of Recommendation
- ☐ Single typewritten page describing life goals/mission as it applies to service to animals

I certify that to the best of my knowledge all of the information provided on the Suzan D'Antonio Full Bucket Memorial Scholarship form is true. I am prepared to document this information if requested.

Signature

Date