

## **Colorado Native Plant Society**

## **Scholarship Fund**

The Colorado Native Plant Society (CoNPS) scholarship fund is set up to help alleviate financial barriers and to provide scholarships to support individuals with a desire to further their knowledge of native plants. We recognize that knowledge furthers the protection of native plants, enhances people in the community, and our mission, which is:

"A non-profit organization dedicated to furthering the knowledge, appreciation and conservation of native plants and habitats of Colorado through education, stewardship and advocacy."

## **Guidelines**

- The awarded recipient must make a commitment to attend the event for which the scholarship was grant. Except in the case of an unplanned emergency, CoNPS will be contacted immediately so that the opportunity for a scholarship can be provided to the next person on the wait-list. Failure to comply may lead to exclusions from future scholarship opportunities.
- Scholarship participants may need to provide volunteer support to event coordinators and leaders for the event they are attending. The volunteer duties will be shared with the scholarship recipient as soon as possible.
- The recipient of a scholarship cannot give their registration to another person.
- The recipient of a scholarship cannot bank a credit to an event for later use without the approval of CoNPS.
- Each recipient cannot receive more than \$100/year or 5 events/year in scholarships, whichever occurs first.
- An application must be submitted for each requested event regardless of any prior awards. An applicant may apply for multiple events with each application.
- Scholarship applications must be submitted at least 2 weeks prior to an event, unless otherwise approved by CoNPS.
- This is a competitive grant. It will be awarded based on financial needs along with the dedication and commitment of the individual and the use of knowledge gained.
- The scholarship fund is an ongoing program dependent upon available funds.



Scholarship Application Colorado Native Plant Society

Name:

Email:

Phone Number (s):

Address:

## What is the best method to contact you?

**Event(s) to which you would like a scholarship:** Please list them in the order of preference, if we are not able to grant an award to all events.

Event Name	Date	Time	Cost	Scholarship Amount Requested

Why are you interested in attending the event(s)?

How will you use the information gained from the event(s)?

Applicant's Name: Received By: Date Received:

Reviewed By: Award Decision: Internal Use Only

**Please explain your need for a scholarship to this event.** (Please provide information regarding your monthly household income, members of the household you are supporting, and/or other financial limitations that preclude you from participating in the event if you cannot obtain a scholarship.)

Have you been awarded a CoNPS scholarship in the last 12 months? If so, what were the events, dates, and dollar value of the awarded scholarship(s)?

Have you ever missed an event to which you've received a CoNPS scholarship? If so, why?

Would you be willing to provide some volunteer time and assistance either at, prior, or after the event? Feel free to suggest ways you can assist or to provide us with any volunteering limitations you may have.

Completed applications can be submitted electronically or by mail to: Colorado Native Plant Society Attn: Scholarship Fund P.O. Box 200 Fort Collins, CO 80522 or via <u>conpsoffice@gmail.com</u>