

ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP

Elevate Charities is dedicated to elevating the condition and quality of life for members and participants of the senior healthcare community- employees, caregivers, family members, patients, and residents. The **Helping Our Heritage Scholarship Fund** gives employees in the senior-focused healthcare industry access educational resources that will further their clinical abilities to care for seniors. If you have a passion for senior-focused care and are interested in progressing your clinical career, the “Helping Our Heritage” Scholarship Program can provide the funds you need to grow in your profession. Whether you are interested in becoming a certified nursing assistant, a PTA/OTA or advancing your career in nursing, therapy or in the home care/hospice environment, this scholarship program can help you get the education you need to make it happen.

Scholarships will be awarded quarterly. Application Deadline Dates:

1st Quarter – March 31st

2nd Quarter – June 30th

3rd Quarter – September 30th

4th Quarter – December 31st

Applications will be reviewed by a sub-committee of Elevate Charities and will be kept confidential.

Eligibility Requirements and Criteria for Application (if all criteria is not met, it will result in a denial):

- Applicants must be actively employed in the senior care industry at the time of application and have a minimum of at least one (1) year of current full-time employment OR two (2) years part-time employment with the facility.
- Working in a senior care facility, assisted living community, or a home care/home health/hospice agency and looking to increase or expand your scope of practice to become a CNA, CNA-to-LVN, LVN-to-RN, PT, OT, SLP or other nursing or therapy certification.
- Planning to continue working at a Skilled Nursing Facility, Assisted Living or in Home Care, Home Health, or Hospice agency, full-time, for at least one (1) year after the award.
- Applicants must complete the application form in its entirety, including essay and two (2) letters of reference and attach at one (1) .pdf file when submitting by the quarterly deadline date.
- Scholarship funds are to be used for tuition, textbooks and required materials associated with your education (computers and printers do not qualify for tuition reimbursement)
- Scholarship will be granted at 100% of the full awarded grant if the original application is accompanied with receipts of paid tuition. If no receipts are available, 50% of the awarded grant will be given (as an advance), with the remainder of the grant to be given once a paid receipts are received.
- A maximum of two (2) grants can be awarded within a 12-month period. To be eligible for any additional grants, a transcript with proof of passing grade for previous term will be required, along with a receipt for paid tuition from the previous term.
- To access funds, scholarship recipient must submit receipts through a “Granted Scholarship Reimbursement” Form, which can be found at: <https://elevatecharities.org/helping-our-heritage-scholarship-fund/>



PART A

Type or Print Clearly

Name of Applicant: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Email: _____

Name of Facility/Community/Agency Currently Employed by: _____

Facility/Operation Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Current Position: _____

Are you with a facility that is: (check one): Ensign Affiliated _____ Pennant Affiliated _____ Other _____

Date of Hire in current facility: _____ Full-Time _____ Part-Time _____

Total Number of years in senior-focused care: _____

Executive Director's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Executive Director's Email Address: _____

Name of Educational institution where you plan to obtain your education:

What is your educational goal?: _____

Amount Requested: \$ _____

Breakdown of Amount Requested:



PART B

- On a separate sheet of paper, include a 250-300 word essay on what would make you a good candidate for the Elevate Charities Scholarship.

If I am awarded a scholarship, I pledge to work in the senior-focused healthcare industry throughout the term of the scholarship and for at least one (1) year after completing my course of study. **Initial here:** _____

You are required to submit a professional photo suitable for publishing with the application, in a jpeg format. If I am awarded a scholarship, I hereby give consent to Elevate Charities to utilize my name and photograph for the purposes of marketing and media releases. **Initial here:** _____ **Do not use my photo:** _____

I certify that all the information contained within this application is true and correct and consent to having Elevate Charities contact my employer and references as part of my qualification of this scholarship application. **Initial here:** ____

The following application **must be completed in full with one or more recommendation letters** prior to consideration by Elevate Charities. Missing information will disqualify an application. **Applications should be emailed or sent to:** Elevate Charities, Attention Dennielle de Heras, 29222 Rancho Viejo Road, Suite 127, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675. **Email: ddeheras@ElevateCharities.org.**

For additional information or clarification, please call Elevate Charities at (949) 540-2071 or email: ddehers@ElevateCharities.org.

Applicants Printed Name: _____

Applicants Signature: _____ Date: _____

Check List:

- Part A - Fill out all items
- Part B - Include Essay on why you would be a good fit for the program
- Part C - Signed recommendation letter from immediate supervisor
- Part D, filled out and signed approval by the Administrator/ED
- Include photograph in jpeg format



PART C

Executive Director:

Incomplete applications will not be considered for award. A complete application includes:

- PARTS A and B Applicant must have complete answers to **all** items of PARTS A and B of this application to guarantee consideration for a scholarship.
- PART C a letter of recommendation from the applicant’s immediate supervisor. [*NOTE: Additional letters of recommendation may be submitted, if desired.*]. Use additional paper if needed.
- PART D to be signed and completed by Executive Director
- An applicant must have been employed for at least one (1) year in senior care at the time of application review.

Applicant’s Name: _____

How long has this applicant been employed at your facility/community/agency? _____

Position(s): _____

How would you describe applicant:

	Low	Average	High	No Opinion
Commitment to residents/patience	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Interest in long term care career	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maturity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sensitivity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Leadership	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communication skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Financial need	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please describe briefly why you believe this applicant would be a well-deserved recipient of an Elevate Charities Education Scholarship.

Print Name

Date

Signature

Email Address