

2010-2011  
COX HEROES  
SCHOLARSHIPS



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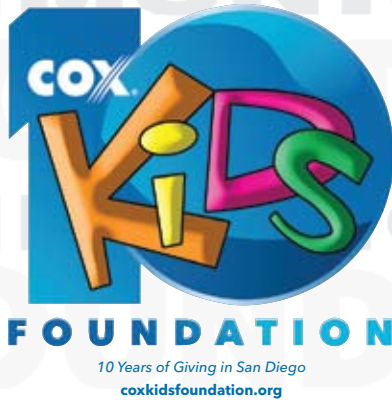
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# COX HEROES SCHOLARSHIPS

*Offered by the Cox Kids Foundation, a fund of The San Diego Foundation*

In 1999, Cox Communications created the Cox Kids Foundation to provide scholarships to graduating high school seniors and adults re-entering school to pursue their educational goals.

**A total of \$55,000 will be distributed to students who display outstanding academic achievement and leadership in their schools and communities despite adversities and obstacles.**

- Up to three \$10,000 multi-year renewable scholarships are available (\$2,500 per year for four consecutive years)
- Up to 22 \$2,500 one-year scholarships are available
- At least one \$2,500 one-year scholarship is earmarked for a military dependent

## **Qualifications for all Cox Heroes Scholarship applicants**

- Must live in a Cox Communications service area
- Have a demonstrated financial need
- Have a strong commitment to civic participation as demonstrated by involvement in community, church or school activities
- Be enrolled as a full-time student beginning in fall of 2010 at an accredited two-year college, four-year university or licensed trade/vocational school **located in San Diego County**

### *Graduating High School Seniors*

- Must be a June 2010 graduate of a high school located in San Diego County
- Have a minimum unweighted 3.0 grade point average or higher

### *Adults Re-Entering School*

- Must be age 25 or over with a high school diploma or G.E.D.

***Previous Cox Heroes Scholarship recipients are ineligible to re-apply.***



## COX HEROES SCHOLARSHIPS APPLICATION FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2010-2011

### SECTION ONE

#### Student Information

First name \_\_\_\_\_ Last name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Gender \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) name \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you lived in San Diego County? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a military dependent?  Yes  No Are you a foster youth?  Yes  No

Name of school currently attending \_\_\_\_\_

This school is a  High School  2-year Community College  4-year University  Trade/Vocational

Unweighted GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Weighted GPA \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Score \_\_\_\_\_

School applied to fall 2010 First choice \_\_\_\_\_

**Must be within San Diego County**

This school is a  2-year Community College  4-year College/University  Trade/Vocational

You will live  on campus  off campus  with parent(s)

In fall 2010, you will be a  freshman  adult re-entering school

Intended major \_\_\_\_\_ Year you will graduate from college \_\_\_\_\_

Degree you will be pursuing  Associate  Bachelor  Certificate  Other \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the Cox Heroes Scholarships?  Counselor  Teacher  Friend/Family  
 Past Recipient  Cox/Cox Kids Foundation Web Site  Other Web Site  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the name and amount of each scholarship, grant or financial aid for which you have already applied for or are planning to apply for this year: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the name(s) and amount(s) of each scholarship, grant or financial aid you have already received for the academic year 2010-2011: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION TWO**

**Financial Information: To be completed by parent and/or student**

Tax information for the year 2008 must be used to answer questions in Section Two. **A copy of your and/or your parent's tax returns must be included with your application** (Form 1040 - pages 1 & 2; Form 1040A – pages 1 & 2; Form 1040EZ).

Are you  Independent\* or  Dependent?                      Are you  Single  Married  Other  
 If dependent, do both parents work?  Yes  No    Do you live in a single parent household?  Yes  No  
 Total number of people living in your household (including applicant) claimed on 2008 taxes, if filed \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of people living in your household (including applicant) attending college full-time in fall 2010 \_\_\_\_\_  
 List which colleges they will attend: \_\_\_\_\_

**If Independent, complete only sub-section A. If dependent, complete BOTH sub-sections A & B.**  
 \* An independent student is either (1) twenty-four years of age or older, or (2) has not been claimed as a dependent on his/her parent's/guardian's Federal Income Taxes for the previous year. If you do not fall into either of these categories, you are considered a dependent and must complete sub-sections A & B.

**Sub-Section A: STUDENT INCOME, FEDERAL TAX, AND ASSETS**

Did not file 2008 taxes    Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

Income  
 Adjusted Gross Income (from 2008 taxes)                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other Income (family, friends, etc.)                                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Non-Taxable Income (Social Security, Child Support, AFDC, etc.)    \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total UNITED STATES Federal tax paid in prior year                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Medical/Dental expenses (not covered by insurance)                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Assets

Cash, Savings, Checking, Investment                                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total financial aid and grants    \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total Real Estate Owned    A) Appraised Values    -    B) Current Mortgage Values    =    Net Values (A minus B)

**Sub-Section B: PARENT'S INCOME, FEDERAL TAX, AND ASSETS**

Income  
 Adjusted Gross Income (from 2008 taxes)                                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other Income (family, friends, etc.)    \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Non-Taxable Income (Social Security, Child Support, AFDC, etc.)                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total UNITED STATES Federal Tax paid in prior year                                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Medical/Dental expenses (not covered by insurance)                                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Assets

Cash, Savings, Checking, Investment                                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total Real Estate Owned    A) Appraised Values    -    B) Current Mortgage Values    =    Net Values (A minus B)

Below, please explain any financial hardships or unusual circumstances in your household: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION THREE**

**Extra-Curricular Activities, Community Service, Work Experience and Awards and Honors**

*Please list your Extra-Curricular Activities for the past three years only:*

<b>Month/Year to Month/Year</b>	<b>Average # hours per Month</b>	<b>Extra-Curricular Activities</b>	<b>Position Held</b>

*Please list your Community Service (unpaid) for the past three years only:*

<b>Month/Year to Month/Year</b>	<b>Average # hours per Month</b>	<b>Community Service Activities</b>	<b>Position Held</b>

*Please list your Work Experience (paid) for the past three years only:*

<b>Month/Year to Month/Year</b>	<b>Average # hours per Month</b>	<b>Work Experience</b>	<b>Position Held</b>

*Please list your Awards & Honors:*

<b>Month/Year</b>	<b>Awards and Honors</b>

*Please list additional activities on a separate sheet*

**SECTION FOUR**  
**Personal Statement**

**Please type the words “Personal Statement” at the top of the first page, along with your first and last name.**

- Your personal statement should be no more than two pages, typed, double-spaced, with 12 point type and one inch margins. Any additional pages will not be considered.
- Clearly address the following four questions in sequential order, typing each question as it appears below. Type your response directly under each question.

- 1. What is your career goal and why have you chosen this path?**
- 2. Why is receiving this scholarship important to continuing your education?**
- 3. What individual or event has influenced you and why?**
- 4. What personal obstacle have you faced and how did you overcome it?**

*Be sure to focus on your personal commitment to achievement despite the adversities and obstacles you have encountered.*

*Please do not send any additional information such as resumes, newspaper articles, or photographs as they will not be considered when reviewing applications.*

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**REQUIRED CERTIFICATIONS AND RELEASE**

**Applicant Certification:** I certify the information provided in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct. I have not knowingly withheld any facts or circumstances that could otherwise jeopardize consideration of this application.

**Agreement of Terms:** I understand that if I do not submit the information required, if it arrives late, is faxed, or my application is incomplete, it will not be considered. I agree to adhere to all of the terms and conditions of my scholarship and those set forth by The San Diego Foundation and Cox Communications if I am selected as a recipient.

**Financial Information:** I certify the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. If requested, I agree to provide additional verification of the information I have given on this form. Falsification of information may result in my ineligibility or termination of any scholarship granted.

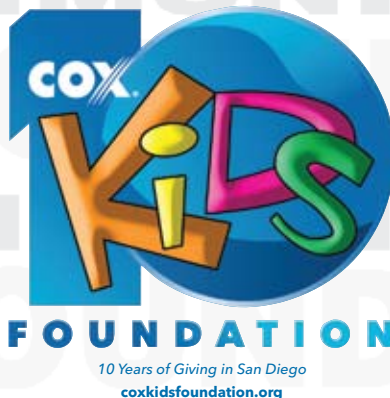
**Press and Media Release:** If selected to receive a scholarship, I authorize the Cox Kids Foundation to use my name, photograph and any other information for press and media purposes.

**Release of Information:** By signing this application, I hereby (i) formally authorize any individual of any portion of this document to provide information of any kind whatsoever requested by The San Diego Foundation, Cox Communications or any of its employees, or representatives, and (ii) forever release any of the entities or individuals seeking or providing any such information from any and all claims or damages that I may or actually do sustain as a result of seeking or providing such information.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant’s Social Security Number (required) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian  
(if applicant is under age 18) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



### **APPLICATION CHECKLIST:**

- Fill out the attached application completely.
- Type a two-page, double-spaced personal statement addressing the four questions on the previous page. Be sure your statement focuses on your personal commitment to achievement despite any adversity or obstacles you may have faced in your life. Special consideration will be given to students who have excelled despite their obstacles and adversities.
- Have two individuals who know you well and are not related to you provide you with letters of recommendation. **Letters must be typed and on official letterhead.** Teachers, work place supervisors, coaches, clergy and volunteer site managers are all good people to write your letters of recommendation.
- Submit transcript(s) in an official and sealed envelope. Adults who are re-entering school need not submit transcripts.
- Include a copy of your and/or your parent's 2008 tax return

**All applications must be postmarked by  
FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 2010.**

**Late, incomplete, or faxed applications will not be accepted.**

**Mail completed applications to:**

**COX HEROES SCHOLARSHIP  
c/o Cox Communications  
5159 Federal Blvd.  
San Diego, CA 92105  
Attn: Marnie Peterson**

Once applications have been reviewed, up to 30 semi-finalists for each category will be invited to participate in an interview process. All semi-finalists must be available for interviews. Scholarship recipients will be notified in May 2010. Because of the volume of applications we receive, only those individuals selected as semi-finalists will be notified.

***Application and guidelines for the Cox Heroes Scholarships are also available at [www.coxkidsfoundation.org](http://www.coxkidsfoundation.org).***

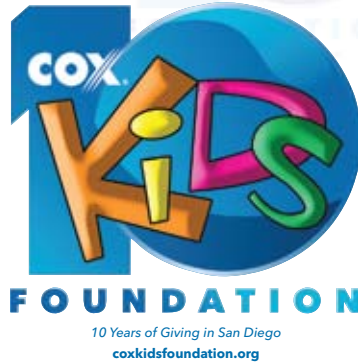
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The Cox Kids Foundation is a fund of The San Diego Foundation and the philanthropic arm of Cox Communications. More than 1,000 of Cox's employees contribute to the Cox Kids Foundation directly from their paycheck. Their contribution is then matched 100 percent by the company. Since 1999, nearly \$3 million has been raised to help local children and families in need in the areas of health, education and social service in the communities Cox serves. Nearly \$400,000 is distributed each year. For more information about the Cox Kids Foundation, visit our web site [www.coxkidsfoundation.org](http://www.coxkidsfoundation.org) or call (619) 266-5286.

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