

WomenRise is a scholarship program that provides financial assistance to help single moms cover the cost of childcare while they work toward a post-secondary degree or credential. These scholarships are available on an annual basis to local single mothers via an application process every spring.

Scholarships are paid directly to the child care provider and cover the cost of direct care services per child during the time the mother is enrolled in classes or a training program.

You might be a good fit for WomenRise if:

- You are a single mother already in college or a career training program or are planning to start next semester
- You have an education plan and are confident about your career choice
- You need help covering the cost of childcare while you are in school or training
- You would like some extra support and encouragement while you are pursuing your education or training

A WomenRise scholarship includes access to a support network of community members from United Way's Women United giving community. Scholarship recipients also have access to United Way resources like financial literacy workshops, resume assistance, interview skill training, mentorship opportunities and more.





Application Information



About the Application Process:

- Applications are open once a year in the spring
- · Both new applicants and previous applicants may apply
- Individuals may apply for support to cover child care costs for varying lengths of time, depending on the length of their education program:
 - 1) Fall only (5 months)
 - 2) Fall and Spring only (10 months)
 - 3) Fall, Spring and Summer (12 months)
- Applicants are required to provide a reference contact, child care provider information and education program information with their application
- Visit www.YourUnitedWay.org/WomenRise/apply for full application criteria and process

Scholarship Criteria

- Single female head of household with custody of at least one child
- Enrolled or enrolling in an education or career training program that is at least 40 hours and that results in a degree or credential
- Annual income of \$60,000 or less
- Resides in the United Way of Greater Richmond & Petersburg region:
 - Charles City
 - Chesterfield
 - Colonial Heights
 - Dinwiddie
 - Goochland
 - Hanover
 - Henrico
 - New Kent
 - Petersburg
 - Powhatan
 - Richmond
- Using a licensed or voluntary registered child care provider



