

What is WomenRise?

WomenRise is a financial assistance program to help single moms cover the cost of childcare and other expenses while they work toward a post-secondary degree or credential. This program is available on an annual basis to local single mothers, with an application process that opens every spring. Financial assistance is provided directly to approved childcare providers and other vendors during the time the mother is enrolled in classes or a training program.

Program Highlights

WomenRise scholars have access to United Way resources like financial literacy workshops, resume assistance, interview skill training, mentorship opportunities, and more. 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 and other expenses while you are in school or training
- You would like some extra support and encouragement while you are pursuing your education or training

www.YourUnitedWay.org/womenrise

SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

- Single female head of household with custody of at least one child
- Enrolled or enrolling into a career training program that is at least 40 hours and 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, Hopewell, Petersburg, Powhatan, Prince George, Richmond)

APPLICATION PROCESS

United Way is accepting applications from **April 15 to May 15, 2025** for the 2025-2026 academic year. Visit yourunitedway.org/WomenRise/apply for program details and application criteria, or email any questions to womenrise@yourunitedway.org

"I feel like I can breathe now, thanks to United Way. I don't have to worry about who's keeping my babies."

- Sheryl Harvey, WomenRise Mom



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