

### 2024 Alice S. Pearce Scholarship Application

We are dedicated to empowering our members who aspire to pursue higher education and nurture their passions for learning and growth. In line with this commitment, we are thrilled to announce the offering of the Alice S. Pearce Scholarships this year, four scholarships each valued at \$2,500. These scholarships aim to support and encourage individuals on their educational journey, fostering a spirit of lifelong learning and personal development among our members.

### **Background:**

Alice S. Pearce served as the Manager of the credit union with unwavering dedication from 1962 until her retirement in 1991. In honor of her enduring commitment, exceptional leadership, and steadfast guidance, the Alice S. Pearce Scholarship was established in 1997. Mrs. Pearce's inspirational legacy, motivating others to strive for their best selves, is the driving force behind naming our scholarship in her honor.

### **How to Apply:**

- 1. Ensure you are a member of Call Federal Credit Union as of <u>March 31, 2024</u>, to be eligible for the scholarship.
- 2. Complete the application form, which includes instructions to answer the questions regarding your work experience, awards, and community involvement. We also a require the submission of a written essay. Please select the essay based on your educational status whether you are a high school graduate or currently enrolled in an accredited college, university, or vocational school, and respond to the relevant question based on your educational status.
- 3. Your completed application is due by <u>5:00 P.M. EST on April 30, 2024</u>. Please deliver to your preferred branch, send via email in PDF format to scholarship@callfederal.org, or mail to us (it must be postmarked <u>April 30, 2024</u>).

### **Selection Process:**

A scholarship selection committee, comprised of Call Federal team members, will evaluate all applications in accordance with established guidelines to make award decisions. The primary focus of the evaluation will be on the thoughtful response to the essay question. Scholarship applicants can anticipate receiving notifications by mail no later than **June 7, 2024**.

### Additional Information:

Four \$2,500 scholarships await students attending an accredited college, university, or vocational school in Fall 2024. Open to graduating high school seniors and current higher education enrollees (with at least one full semester left by <a href="May 1, 2024">May 1, 2024</a>). Eligible applicants must pursue a degree or certification. Payments go directly to the school upon verified registration. Exclusions apply to immediate family of Call Federal Credit Union employees and officials. Contact scholarship@callfederal.org or 804.274.1200 for more information. We look forward to your submission!

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Name:
Account Number:
Home Address:
Phone Number: Email Address:
Name of School Currently Attending:
Please share with us the college, university, or vocational school you plan to attend in the Fall of 2024 or are presently enrolled in:

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### **WORK, AWARDS & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:**

Using a separate sheet of paper, please answer the following questions. Please type your answers.

- 1. Tell us about your community and extracurricular activities. Please include the name of the organization, the years you were involved, the average hours per week you were involved and a brief description (less than 60 words) of the organization and your involvement.
- 2. Have you received any awards or honors? Please include name and year received.
- 3. What kind of work experience do you have? Please include name of employer, job title or description of work and years employed.

### **ESSAY QUESTION:**

Please answer the following question based on your educational status. It should be no more than one page in length and no smaller than 10-point font. Please use a separate sheet of paper from your work, awards and community involvement questions to type your response.

<u>High School Students:</u> "How does understanding finances impact your personal growth in terms of values, behaviors, and goals? Explain how learning about finances can help you in your next stage of life."

<u>College Students:</u> "Why is knowing about finances important for personal growth and making society better? Discuss how understanding financial principles helps develop responsible individuals and deals with the challenges of the changing world."

I understand that my name, photograph, and essay may be used by Call Federal Credit Union for promotional purposes, whether in print, social media, or another format.
Signature of Student:
Signature of Parent or Guardian (if under 18):
Date:

### Three ways to submit your scholarship application, questions and essay by April 30, 2024:

- 1. Email PDF to scholarship@callfederal.org
- 2. Deliver to your preferred branch location
- 3. Mail To: Call Federal Scholarships, 4605 Commerce Road, Richmond, VA 23234