

**CESAR E. CHAVEZ MEMORIAL COMMITTEE OF PINAL COUNTY
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

The Cesar E. Chavez Memorial Committee of Pinal County is pleased to offer educational scholarships in an amount up to **\$1,000** for the **2026–2027 college school year**.

Application Submission

Completed applications may be submitted using **one** of the following methods:

1. **Mail:**

Gloria Leija, Committee Member
586 West Casa Grande Lakes Blvd. North
Casa Grande, AZ 85122

Applications must be postmarked no later than **Wednesday, March 18, 2026**.

2. **Email:**

Send completed application materials to **gleija.chavez.committee@gmail.com**

Applications must be received no later than **Friday, March 20, 2026**

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must meet **all** of the following criteria:

- Be a current resident of **Pinal County**
- Be a **high school senior**
- Plan to attend an **accredited college or trade school**

Disbursement of scholarship funds is contingent upon proof of acceptance and enrollment in an accredited college or trade school, and completed five (5) hours of community service or donate fifty (50) cans to a local food bank (receipt must be submitted). Only one check for the full amount of the scholarship will be issued, after required information is received. Note, in previous years the Committee has elected to award more funds to students attending a university. If you list a university and your proof of enrollment list a junior college or trade school, your scholarship will be reduced.

Application Requirements

Submit a **completed application** along with the following attachments:

- **Two (2) letters of recommendation:**
 - One from a teacher, counselor, or principal at your current school
 - One from a community member
- **A photocopy of your current high school transcript**
- **A typed essay (500–words) on the topic:**
“How I have applied and intend to apply the Core Values of Cesar Chavez.”

Applicant Information

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

High School Name: _____

College or Trade School you plan to attend during the 2026–27 school year:

Applicant Certification

I certify that the information provided in this application is accurate and complete. I confirm that I am a legal resident of Pinal County. If awarded a Cesar E. Chavez Memorial Committee of Pinal County Scholarship, I agree to complete **five (5) hours of community service** or donate **fifty (50) food cans** to a local food bank **before scholarship funds are disbursed**. The community service or donation must be completed **after April 10, 2026**.

I also grant permission to the Cesar E. Chavez Memorial Committee of Pinal County to contact me in the future to follow up on my educational progress, to learn how the scholarship has impacted me, and to use photographs taken at the Awards Dinner, which is scheduled for April 10, 2026. All scholarship recipients will be invited to the dinner and encouraged to attend with one free guest.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please answer the following questions.

1. Describe any school involvement that you believe the Scholarship Committee should consider. Examples: Clubs, Sports, Volunteer, etc.
2. Describe your involvement in community activities. Examples: Volunteer with organizations, etc.
3. Describe any other life experiences you believe the Scholarship Committee should consider.
4. Explain your need for financial assistance. Include expected tuition costs, total educational expenses, and an estimate of your household income.
5. List all scholarships for which you have applied, including the status of each and award amounts if known. Are you eligible for the **Promise for the Future Scholarship** through Central Arizona College?
6. List the degree or trade you plan to pursue (for example: nurse, engineer, barber, mechanic, etc.).