Gunnison Kiwanis Club Scholarship Summary & Eligibility
A Component Fund of the Community Foundation of the Gunnison Valley

Deadline
Thursday, March 26, 2020, at 12:00 p.m. (extended from March 15). Completed applications must be submitted online at https://cfgv.smapply.org.

Description
The Gunnison Kiwanis Scholarship Fund was established at CFGV in 2015 upon the dissolution of the local Kiwanis Club. The purpose of the fund is to award educational scholarships to graduating high school seniors from the Gunnison RE1J Watershed School District who plan to attend a 4-year college or university, community college or vocational school.

Eligibility
An eligible student must:
- Be a high school graduate of a public high school in the Gunnison RE1J Watershed School District.
- Demonstrate scholastic commitment, academic promise, commitment to serving his or her community, and financial need.
- Be a candidate for high school graduation at the end of the current academic year, and plan to enroll in an accredited 4-year college or university, community college or vocational school the fall following graduation.
- Complete the online application.

How Winners Are Chosen
- Scholastic commitment and academic promise will be evaluated based on regular attendance, grade point average and ACT scores.
- Commitment to community service will be evaluated on the basis of the applicant’s involvement in the community through public service, for example, involvement in service organizations like the Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts or volunteering for a nonprofit organization.
- Financial need will be evaluated on the basis of the completed FAFSA Report Summary and information provided by the student in the application narrative.
- Finalists will be asked to interview with the Review Committee on the afternoon of Thursday, April 4th. Please set this time aside in case you are a finalist.

Award Amount
The Gunnison Kiwanis Club Scholarship award amount is $2,500, divided over two semesters. The first payment ($1,500) shall be awarded at the beginning of the fall semester following graduation, and the second payment ($1,000) may be awarded at the beginning of the following spring semester. The second semester award is based on the student's having completed a minimum of 12 semester hours during the fall semester, maintaining a GPA of at least 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) and being enrolled for at least 12 credit hours for the spring semester as shown by a transcript from the educational institution.