

## Scholarship

### ILLINOIS VALLEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION *Program Checklist*

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Scholarship Program Application
2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3 personal and/or academic letters of references
3. \_\_\_\_\_ If currently attending school, copy of your transcript
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Letter of acceptance or class schedule

#### Requirements:

1. You must be income eligible.
2. You must be a resident of one of the four counties served by IVEDC (Calhoun, Greene, Jersey or Macoupin).
3. You must be attending a 2-4 year university in Illinois, fulltime.

**Illinois Valley Economic Development Corporation**  
**Community Services Block Grant**  
*CSBG – Scholarship Program*

Complete this scholarship application if you wish to be considered for financial assistance for an institution-approved full-time post secondary course of study, leading to a career and/or employment at an **Illinois** institution. This assistance will be for the current academic year and may be renewable, depending on availability of funds and your record of performance.

**CSBG Eligibility Guidelines.**

**In order for your application to be considered, these guidelines apply:**

1. You must be income-eligible according to current poverty income guidelines (copy of current guidelines attached). Before proceeding with the application please review the guidelines to determine income eligibility.
2. You must be a resident of one of the four (4) counties served by Illinois Valley Economic Development Corporation (Calhoun, Greene, Jersey and Macoupin).

**Instructions**

1. Please include 3 personal and/or academic letters of reference from any unrelated individuals with this application. This letter may be emailed to the address below with attention to Stephanie Stahlhut.
2. If currently attending school, please submit a copy of your transcript to Illinois Valley Economic Development Corporation at the address listed below.
3. If you are not currently attending college or are a transferring student please include a letter of acceptance for the school you are planning to attend or a schedule of classes for which you have been accepted.
4. Complete the following application and return it together with the items requested above to the address provided below, or via email to: [sstahlhut@ilvalley-edc.org](mailto:sstahlhut@ilvalley-edc.org)

**Illinois Valley Economic  
Development Corporation**  
P.O. Box 88  
Gillespie, IL 62033

**IMPORTANT: A formal CSBG Application needs to be completed before the attached scholarship form to make sure program guidelines are met.**

**Personal Data**

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)
2. \_\_\_\_\_ (Address) \_\_\_\_\_ (City) \_\_\_\_\_ (Zip)
3. \_\_\_\_\_ (Home Phone) \_\_\_\_\_ (Work Phone)
4. Marital Status: (circle one)    Single    Married    Separated    Divorced    Widowed
5. Number of dependents \_\_\_\_\_
6. Do you reside with one or both parents? \_\_\_\_\_

**Academic Data**

1. High School last attended \_\_\_\_\_ (City & State)
2. Date of High School Graduation \_\_\_\_\_ OR completion of GED \_\_\_\_\_
3. Previous College Attendance:  
    Name of Institution \_\_\_\_\_  
    Location \_\_\_\_\_  
    Dates of Attendance \_\_\_\_\_

**Previous Work Experience (if applicable)**

Please list jobs held, names and addresses of employers, and dates of employment for two of your most recent jobs.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Job Title) \_\_\_\_\_ (Employer)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address) \_\_\_\_\_ (Dates)

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(Job Title) \_\_\_\_\_ (Employer)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address) \_\_\_\_\_ (Dates)



Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)  
Income Guidelines

Eligibility for the CSBG Scholarship Program is limited to households whose income does not exceed 125% of the Poverty Income Guidelines. Eligibility is determined by annualizing a household's most recent 90 day income. The 2020 Guidelines are as follows:

<b>HOUSEHOLD SIZE</b>	<b><i>125% OF POVERTY ANNUAL</i></b>	<b><i>125% OF POVERTY 3 MONTHS</i></b>	<b><i>125% OF POVERTY 1 MONTH*</i></b>
1	15,613.00	3,903.00	1,301.00
2	21,138.00	5,284.00	1,762.00
3	26,663.00	6,666.00	2,222.00
4	32,188.00	8,047.00	2,683.00
5	37,713.00	9,428.00	3,143.00
6	43,238.00	10,809.00	3,603.00
7	48,763.00	12,191.00	4,064.00
8	54,288.00	13,572.00	4,524.00

\*One month figure shown for ease of establishing income for households with fixed incomes.

**CSBG Documentation Requirements**

- Social Security Cards for the entire household
- State ID/Driver's License for everyone over 18 years of age
- Proof of 90 day income for the entire household
- High School Transcripts
- Proof attending a 2 or 4 year Illinois College fulltime for spring 2020
- 3 letters of recommendation
- All CSBG forms completed