General Information

The Award: A Berman Family Scholarship is awarded annually to a Conejo Valley Unified School District high school senior attempting to overcome financial, social or physical disadvantages in their attempt to further their education.

Stipend: This is a one-year scholarship of $1,000.

Use of Scholarship: The scholarship is to be used for tuition, books, and miscellaneous expenses of the recipient to further their academic career.

Application: Application blanks are available at the Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks Website at www.tokiwanis.org. Application must be received or postmarked no later than 5 PM on the third Friday of March.

Eligibility:

This scholarship is open to:
1. Conejo Valley high school graduating students who wish to attend an institution of higher learning such as a college, university, trade, technical, or specialized school.
2. The student must have significant financial, social or physical disadvantages to overcome in their attempt to further their education.
3. Only complete applications postmarked prior to 5 PM on the third Friday of March are eligible.

Selection:
The final decision of awards will be made by the Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks, Berman Family Scholarship Committee. Selection will be made primarily based on having the most significant financial, social or physical disadvantages to overcome in their attempt to further their education.

Presentation of Award:
Recipients will be notified by email and will be presented their award at a regular meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks.
Submit with Application

- Answers to following questions:
  - What are your life goals?
  - How do you plan to accomplish your goals? Specifically, how will you use your post high school education to achieve your goals?
  - What disadvantages are you attempting to overcome in accomplishing your goals? Disadvantages could be social, financial and/or physical.
  - What inspired you to overcome your disadvantages in pursuit of your goals? A person, life event, etc.?

- Letter of recommendation from a faculty member at your school

- Statement of financial need, if appropriate.

Mail Application Packet with Recommendation Letter and any required documentation to:

Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks
Berman Family Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 1791
Thousand Oaks, CA 91358

For questions about this application or its status, please contact a scholarship committee person at the Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks via email at gossitt@gmail.com.
Applicant Information

Name ___________________________ ___________________________ ___
First Last M.I.

Address

______________________________ ___________________________
Street City

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Zip

E-mail_________________________ Phone # __________________________

Name of parent or guardian: ________________________________

Date of Birth _____ / ____ / ____ Gender - M F

Name of High School: ________________________________

Further training or education plans for next school year:

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By signing this document you confirm the accuracy of your completed form. If you purposely give false or misleading information, you will be disqualified from this award.

Signature ___________________________ Date ___
Letter of Recommendation Instructions for Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks Berman Family Scholarship

Dear Teacher/Counselor/Staff,

This student, __________, is applying for a Kiwanis Berman Family Scholarship in the amount of $1,000.00. It will be awarded to a graduating student who intends to pursue an education at an institution of higher learning. The award is based on their desire to overcome a social, financial or physical disadvantage in the pursuit of their goals and a faculty member's recommendation.

What can you share with us about this student's desire, performance, and personality traits? How long have you known this student and in what capacity? What special circumstances have led to their particular disadvantage(s)? How has the student demonstrated to you their desire to overcome their disadvantage(s) in pursuit of their educational goals?

Please write your response and seal it in the envelope. Include your name and position. Return the sealed envelope to the applicant so it can complete the application.

Thank you for your time and your assistance in this process.

Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks
Berman Family Scholarship Committee