The **Spokane County 4-H Budget & Fund Raising Committee** is pleased to announce it will be awarding up to **three $700 scholarships** to 4-H students who are pursuing post-secondary education/training in 2017. Along with these three scholarships, the Horse Project Committee is offering an additional ***Malina Strong Memorial Scholarship*** for **$700**.

The Spokane County 4-H Scholarship is open to students who were members during the 2017-18
4-H year and will graduate from high school in 2018. The Strong Memorial is available **only** to Spokane County 4-H Horse Project Youth.

Application forms are available (in pdf and Word) at the Spokane County 4-H website: <http://extension.wsu.edu/spokane/4h/>

**The DEADLINE for applications is March 26, 2018** (post-marked by 3/26/18, emailed by 11:59 pm on 3/26/18, or dropped at the Extension Office by 5:00 pm). Direct questions to Gary Varrella at gvarrella@wsu.edu or 509-477-2163. ***The application must be typed or word-processed.***

**E-mail applications** to ***pfoster@spokanecounty.org***and “cc” gvarrella@wsu.edu.

**Mailed applications should be sent to:**

4-H Budget and Fund Raising - SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
c/o Patty Foster - Spokane County 4-H
222 N. Havana, Spokane, WA 99202

Recipients of scholarships will be notified mid-May of 2018. Award checks will be sent directly to the institution that you plan to attend, beginning in the fall of 2018.

Please note: No scholarship checks will be sent until the award recipients have provided the following:

1. Precise mailing address of their institution including the correct department (e.g., the Registrar’s Office or Financial Aid Office).
2. Their student number.
3. A recent photo that may be posted on the 4-H Web Site
4. A copy of the essay portion of their scholarship application that may be posted on the 4-H Web Site.
5. A personal thank you note to the providers of the scholarship, which is either the Spokane County 4-H Budget and Fund Raising Committee **or** the Spokane 4-H Horse Projects Committee in the care of the Malina Strong Memorial Scholarship.

Please pay careful attention to the instructions provided below by the review committee.

1. Complete cover page with all signatures. ***Applications without the cover page and requisite signatures will not be reviewed.***
2. Note, please provide two letters of recommendation including at least one from a 4-H Club Leader that knows you well **and is not a relative**.
3. ***Formatting is extremely important to the committee:***
* All applications shall be typed or word-processed.
* **Please use** a “sans serif” font such as “Tahoma 10” **or** “Arial 10” or **“**Calibri 11**”**
* **Do not use** a serif font such as “Times New Roman 12” or a script font such as “Lucinda Handwriting 10.”
* **Not using a sans serif font** will cause a uniform penalty of 15 points out of 200.
* If you have formatting questions, please call the 4-H Office at 477-2160, and one of the 4-H staff will assist you.

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| **PERSONAL DATA** |
| **Check all that apply: I wish to be considered for the** (double click the check box and in the window that opens under “default value” choose “checked.”)[ ]  2018 Scholarship ($700) [ ]  2018 Strong Memorial Scholarship 🡺 ***available only to Horse Project Youth*** ($700)  |
| **Name** **Date of Birth** \_**Address** \_ **City Zip****Current Grade level** **(or equivalent if in a running start program)** \_**Parents/Guardian Name** \_**Home Phone** (\_\_\_\_\_\_) **Cell Phone** (\_\_\_\_\_\_) \_**Email**\_\_\_ \_ |
| POST SECONDARY PLAN |
| **Name of institution you plan to attend or institutions to which you have applied (please indicate if your application is pending or accepted) for entry in the fall of 2017:** |
| **STATEMENT BY 4-H APPLICANT** |
| I have prepared this Spokane County 4-H Application and believe it to be accurate and true. (If sending electronically, name may be typed in.)Signature of Applicant\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| **ENDORSEMENT OF APPLICATION** |
| I have reviewed this Spokane County 4-H Application and believe it to be accurate and true. (If sending electronically, names may be typed in. If the names are typed in, applicants are on the “honor system” regarding the approval by parent and club leader.)Signature of Parent/Guardian \_Date \_Signature of Club Leader \_Date \_***All signatures/names must be present in order for application to be considered****.* |

**4-H Project Activity**

Examples of primary accomplishments might include showmanship, herdsmanship, and other contest/event awards & recognitions, and presentations. Do not include Leadership Activities here. They are reported in a different section.

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| **Project** | **Years** | **Primary Accomplishments** |
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**4-H Leadership Activities**

List your leadership activities at the club level (e.g., club officer or teen leader), the county level (e.g., committee involvement), and state level (e.g., State Ambassador or Healthy Living Ambassador).

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| **Leadership Activity** | **Years** |
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**School/Community Service Activities**

**(🡺 outside of 4-H 🡸)**

Include all scholastic, extracurricular, civic, and community service activities. Include your main accomplishments and any leadership position(s) held.

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| **Activity** | **Grades** | **Leadership Position** | **Accomplishment(s)** |
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**4-H Essay**

**(NOTE: These instructions are formatted—regarding font choice and general structure—in the same way the committee requests that you format your application)**

Write an essay describing how your involvement in 4-H has influenced your life. It may be up to 500 words in length and must be typed. A few hints to help you write your essay:

1. Write **succinctly and clearly**.
2. Be certain each paragraph has a **strong topic sentence**.
3. **“Personalize**” your application, i.e., do more than report your accomplishments, share what 4-H means to you and how it has shaped you as a person, including your future hopes and goals, and post-secondary programs applied to or the one in which you are already enrolled.
4. Remember that a **good closing paragraph** is as important as your opening paragraph.
5. Don’t forget to **proof read** your completed application. Up to 5 points (out of 50 for the essay) may be deducted for inadequate proof-reading, which includes grammar and spelling).
6. **Proof read** your entire application. A well-presented application improves the overall positive impression of you as an applicant!
7. For the applicant’s convenience, we have formatted this section using **Tahoma 10, spacing at “6 point” above and below paragraph returns, and a line spacing of “1.5.”** Simply begin entering your 4-H Essay below the line and you will be using an acceptable font and format, i.e., it will look just like these instructions.

Remember to include your transcript(s) and the two letters of support (non-relatives, including one from a 4-H club leader). If you mail or drop off your application, include them with your application. If you wish to **e-mail your application,** send them to ***pfoster@spokanecounty.org***and “cc” gvarrella@wsu.edu convert your transcript and letters of support to PDFs and attached them as well. Good Luck!

 **~ ~ ~ Spokane County 4-H -- It's *all about* positive youth development ~ ~ ~**

Extension programs and employment are available to all without discrimination. Evidence of noncompliance may be reported through your local Extension office. Reasonable accommodations will be made for persons with disabilities and special needs who participate in 4-H events and programs. Contact G. Varrella at the Spokane 4-H Extension Office at 222 N. Havana, Spokane, (509-477-2163; gvarrella@wsu.edu) at least two weeks prior to the event

***(Application last revised 2/23/18)***