



**STEVE BESICH**

**SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Steve Besich committed much of his career to public service, including his role as Gila County Manager. The Steve Besich Scholarship Fund honors his legacy with scholarships for rural Arizona students whose families work hard for the future of their communities.

**To qualify, applicants must meet the following requirements:**

- Full-time students with a GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- Attending an accredited university or pursuing a career/technical education.
- Dependents and grandchildren of Apache, Cochise, Gila, Graham, Greenlee, La Paz, Mohave, Navajo, Pinal, Santa Cruz, or Yavapai county employees. Grandparent must be a retiree with minimum of 20 years of service to one of the above counties.

**Deadline to apply is March 1, 2023.** Awards may be renewable for up to four years, and some may cover the cost of attendance in full.



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# JOIN US FOR A VIRTUAL WORKSHOP

Work on your application with support from ACF's scholarship team.

January 18, 2023  
4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

February 9, 2023  
5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

March 15, 2023  
5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

April 6, 2023  
4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

April 20, 2023  
5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

**Workshops are hosted  
through Zoom!**

Register for the dates  
that you'd like to attend  
at [acf.cventevents.com/  
scholarship2023](https://acf.cventevents.com/scholarship2023)

To prepare, read through the application's essay question prompts.

## Essay question #1: resilience & persistence

Choose one of the prompts:

How have you overcome or persisted after a failure? What did you learn from it?

Explain how your personal views and/or values have changed over time.

Describe a time when you stepped outside your comfort zone. Explain how this impacted you and how it helped you mature.

## Essay question #2: future forward & changing the world

Choose one of the prompts:

Describe a time when you put someone or something before your own needs. How did that change you?

If you could give your younger self a piece of advice about your education or future, what would it be and why?

Describe one need in your community. How have you or what could you do to address this need?

## Essay question #3: creativity & personality

Choose one of the prompts:

Tell us the top 5 attributes that people would use to describe you. Explain why people would choose those attributes.

Describe the person who influenced you the most. How have they shaped you into the person you are today?

If you had to choose one object, book, and/or movie that reflects your learning philosophy, what would it be and why?