

# Jim McEntee Legacy Scholarship

## Application for the 2025-2026 School Year



**Building on the legacy of  
James P. McEntee, Sr.,  
Director of Human Relations  
for Santa Clara County, 1976-2003**

*For information or assistance on how to complete this application call Ann  
McEntee at 408-833-4070, or email Veronica Mendivil at  
Mendivil2010@gmail.com.*



### From former scholarship recipients ...

"I have a hope to fulfill my dreams of receiving a higher education." – Ruby Luna

"My vision is a peaceful community, with no differences among races." – Diana Bustamante

"My personal mission is to alleviate inequalities between people of different socioeconomic classes." – Viviane Nguyen

**\$2,000 scholarships will be provided to Santa Clara County community college students who are transferring to a four-year college or university with junior year status. F1 Visa students are not eligible.**

**Applications must be received by May 11, 2025.**



**Presented by the Friends of Human Relations /Jim McEntee  
Scholarship Committee**

**For additional information, go to [FriendsOfHumanRelations.org](http://FriendsOfHumanRelations.org)**

## **Jim McEntee Scholarship Application For the 2025-2026 Academic Year**

### **Eligibility for the Jim McEntee Legacy Scholarship:**

This scholarship fund is open solely to community college students in Santa Clara County who are transferring this academic year to a four-year university with junior year status. Students are encouraged to apply who have overcome obstacles to obtain a college education, including but not limited to: racial, religious, minority and/ or immigrant status, LGBTQ, disability, foster child, and/ or poverty. By submitting this application, you agree to receive mentorship by our organization (if selected) until you graduate. Most first year recipients are eligible for a second-year scholarship if enrollment is current, and the recipient has been in regular contact with their scholarship mentor. Applications are confidential and will be accepted during the months of February, March, and April 2025. ***Applications must be received by 11:59 pm on May 11, 2025.*** Recipients will be notified no later than June 15, 2025.

**Instructions: Complete and print the following application.** Be sure to sign the form.

**Obtain at least two reference letters.** One must be from an organization where you have done volunteer work. The other must be from a representative at your current school, such as a counselor, professor, etc.

**Obtain an official transcript** from your present college and from all others previously attended. We do not accept unofficial transcripts.

**Write a personal essay** (not more than 750 words) describing yourself, your family experience, your community involvement, volunteer work you have done, your educational and professional goals, and how these goals relate to a vision for a better world. Why do you meet the qualifications of this scholarship?

**Mail/ Drop off your application, reference letters, college acceptance letter/s, and personal essay to the following address:**

Jim McEntee Scholarship Program  
c/o Friends of Human Relations  
14850 East Hills Drive  
San Jose, CA 95127

Note: You may either include your sealed, official transcript with the above application material or have your college mail it directly to the above address. Do *not* send any document via registered or certified mail.

### **Email Communication:**

Most communications are sent via email so please ensure you provide an email address that you use and check regularly. Please make sure it's legible and correct. *By accepting this scholarship, we ask that you keep us updated on any changes to your contact info.*

## Jim McEntee Legacy Scholarship Application

### 1. Information about you:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse Income (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. Information about your Parents/Guardians:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

*(If retired, state their occupation before retirement. Please don't write "self-employed;" clearly state their occupation.)*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

*(If retired, state occupation before retirement. Please don't write "self-employed;" clearly state their occupation.)*

### 3. Your High School Educational Background

High School Attended: \_\_\_\_\_

### 4. Community College Information

Community College you are attending: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Number of years at Community College (including this year): \_\_\_\_\_

### 6. University Information

Name of university/ universities where you've been accepted and plan to attend. If still unsure, please notify us of your final decision. Please attach acceptance letter/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduating class of: \_\_\_\_\_ (Year you plan to graduate)

Estimate your total expenses per academic year:

Tuition and/or registration fees: \_\_\_\_\_

Books and supplies: \_\_\_\_\_

Dormitory or room & board costs: \_\_\_\_\_

Transportation costs: \_\_\_\_\_

Total estimated costs per academic year \_\_\_\_\_

**7. Outside of School** (use extra pages if necessary to document):

List extra-curricular activities.

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List the jobs that you have held.

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List any volunteer work you have done in the past.

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**Income:**

**a.** Are you supported financially in any way by your parents?

*(For example, do they assist with rent, bills, tuition etc.)*

**b.** If yes, please provide your parent's estimated gross income for FY2024 \_\_\_\_\_

**c.** Please provide your current monthly income: \_\_\_\_\_

*I, \_\_\_\_\_ [your full name] certify that to the best of my knowledge all the information provided to the Jim McEntee Legacy Scholarship Committee is correct. (Any falsified information provided to the scholarship committee will result in immediate termination of any scholarship granted and request for return of any scholarship provided.)*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_