

**Shawnee County Extension Master Gardener Program
1740 SW Western Avenue
Topeka, KS 66604**

Mission: “Improving our community through horticulture”

**Scholarship Application
Academic Year 2017-18**

Purpose: To promote the Shawnee County Extension Master Gardener program as a community service organization.

Availability: Multiple scholarships may be awarded by the Scholarship Committee on a yearly or semester basis as funds are available.

Amount: Individual scholarship awards shall be a minimum of \$500.

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Current academic year graduating Topeka/Shawnee County high school seniors.
2. Shawnee County resident.
3. Overall Grade Point Average of 3.0 or higher.
4. Student shows an interest in community service.

Application Procedure:

1. Complete personal inventory form.
2. Two letters of recommendation, including one letter from faculty.
3. Include original essay (maximum 500 words). Community involvement is a priority of the Shawnee County Extension Master Gardeners. Essay topic: “Describe one thing that you have done in the last year that has positively impacted your community.”
4. Included official seven semester transcript.

Review Procedure: Applications must be post marked or hand delivered on or before January 31, 2018. Applications will be reviewed by the Master Gardener Scholarship Committee with notification to successful applicant(s) by April 1, 2018. Scholarship applicants may be contacted for a personal interview.

Submit application to:

Shawnee County Extension Master Gardener Program
Attn: Beth Schafer
1740 SW Western Ave.
Topeka, KS 66604

PERSONAL INVENTORY

Name: _____

Address: _____

Personal e-mail address: _____ Phone: _____

School from where you will be graduating: _____

Counselor/Contact: _____ Phone: _____

High school GPA: _____

Name of institution you will be attending: _____

Anticipated major and minor areas of study: _____

What is your vocational or career goal? _____

What extra-curricular activities have you participated in during high school? _____

What are your hobbies and interests? _____

What community service or volunteerism have you performed? _____

What honors or special awards have you received? (Academic, citizenship, artistic, athletic):

What jobs have you had? _____

Please attach:

- 1) **Your 7 semester transcript.**
- 2) **Original narrative: "Describe one thing that you have done in the last year that has positively impacted your community." Maximum 500 words.**
- 3) **Please provide two letters of recommendation. At least one letter must be from a member of your school's faculty.**