

Mervin G. Morris Scholarship Requirements

Eligible applicant must be child or grandchild of current or former Mervyns associate.

The Mervin G. Morris Scholarship Fund was established at Silicon Valley Community Foundation by Mervyns' associates in honor of, Mervin G. Morris, chairman emeritus, who founded Mervyns in 1949. His leadership and vision laid the groundwork for the company. The Mervin G. Morris Scholarship Fund provides scholarships to dependents and grandchildren of Mervyns' employees that were employed with Mervyns for a period of 6 months or longer during 2008.

Scholarship values Up to \$5,000 **Scholarship Deadline:** Thursday, March 5, 2009

Basis of award
See eligibility requirements.

- Scholastic record
- Financial need (a consideration, but not the only consideration for the MGM Scholarship)
- Participation in extracurricular activities
- Quality of the personal statement (to be determined by the selection committee)

Application procedures

- Check eligibility, then complete and sign MGM application. **Answer all questions. Incomplete or unsigned applications will not be accepted.**
- Obtain relative's proof of employment (e.g., letter from Mervyns store manager on company letterhead or pay stubs) that verifies minimum employment of six months during 2008 at Mervyns.
- Send completed application, personal statement (signed and dated), one letter of recommendation, official transcript, and financial documents to Silicon Valley Community Foundation.

Deadline for applications

Silicon Valley Community Foundation must receive the complete application packet, including application, personal statement (signed and dated), letter of recommendation, official transcript and financial documents by **March 5, 2009**. Date of postmark **will not** be considered.

Selection and notification

Silicon Valley Community Foundation will select and notify all applicants by mail in July 2009. When recipients have notified the community foundation in writing of their acceptance by an accredited institution, scholarship checks will be mailed directly to the college or university.

Deadline: March 5, 2009



MERVIN G. MORRIS
2009 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
Part One

Applicant Name: _____

Eligibility

- Dependents or grandchildren of current or former Mervyns' employees that were employed with Mervyns for a minimum of six months or longer during 2008.
- Applicant must be a current graduating high-school senior and plan to attend an accredited educational institution part-time or full-time in 2009.

This application is ONLY for dependents and grandchildren of current / former Mervyns' associates.

Tell us about yourself. (Please type or print legibly.)

 First Last SSN

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 Address Home Phone Email

 City State Zip

 Mother's Name Mother's Occupation

 Father's Name Father's Occupation

 Number of siblings in family under 21 years of age

Name of relative employed at Mervyns	SSN of associate	Relationship to student	Store/facility name and location number

High School presently attended	Rank in class	Total number in class	GPA (on a 4.0 scale)

1. College preference **2.** College preference

 Probable college majors

 Vocational Plans

Financial Information

If you applied for federal financial aid, enclose a copy of all pages of your 2009-2010 Student Aid Report (SAR). Updated information regarding your FAFSA application can be found online at www.fafsa.ed.gov/.

If you did not apply for federal financial aid, enclose a copy of the first two pages of your parent's or legal guardian's most recent Form 1040. If you are not a dependent, enclose copies of your own Form 1040.

Additional procedures for Mervin G. Morris Scholarship

- Provide an official transcript from high school
- Provide one letter of recommendation from a teacher, administrator, or counselor. Recommendation letter must be on school letterhead, signed and dated.
- Provide relative's proof of employment, minimum of six months during 2008, at Mervyns



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Part Two

Applicant Name: _____

Activity Summary (list of major activities and offices held)

School

Community

Honors won

Personal statement: Please attach a separate sheet with your typed, signed, and dated personal statement in which you describe yourself to the scholarship committee. The statement (a maximum of 500 words) should include the following:

- 1) Your long- and short-term goals and how a college education will help you achieve them.
- 2) A description of your financial need (i.e., the amount of help you will receive from your parents, your plans to work to cover some or all college expenses, and any special family circumstances that may cause financial hardship).
- 3) Your contributions to the community.

X

Applicant's Signature

Date

X

Signature of Parent or Guardian, if under 18

Date

Please send completed application, personal statement (signed and dated), letter of recommendation, official transcript, and financial documents to:

Silicon Valley Community Foundation
2440 West El Camino Real, Suite 300
Mountain View, California 94040

Questions?: Contact Lisa Alvarez, scholarship officer, at 650.450-5530 or lmalvarez@siliconvallycf.org

Deadline: MARCH 12, 2008

Please make a copy of your application materials before submission. Faxes will not be accepted.

MERVIN G. MORRIS

2009 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

About Silicon Valley Community Foundation

Silicon Valley Community Foundation is among the largest community foundations in the country, with more than \$1.9 billion in assets under management and 1,500 philanthropic funds. Serving all of San Mateo and Santa Clara counties, Silicon Valley Community Foundation is a partner and resource to nonprofits and citizens committed to improving the quality of life in our region.

Our vision is to be a comprehensive center for philanthropy that inspires greater civic participation throughout San Mateo and Santa Clara counties. Our mission is to strengthen the common good, improve quality of life and address the most challenging problems. We do this through visionary community leadership, world-class donor services and effective grantmaking.

Scholarship Programs at Silicon Valley Community Foundation

For many individuals and organizations, providing scholarships for students to support their educational pursuits is a rewarding and effective way to meet their charitable objectives. Silicon Valley Community Foundation's scholarship program is committed to providing opportunities for those interested in helping talented young people to pursue their dreams through a quality education. Scholarship funds at the community foundation vary by size of endowment and in complexity of criteria; however, their common element is the charitable spirit of the donors who created them. In honoring loved ones or providing for a specific community, each scholarship expresses a deep belief in the power of education to help individuals achieve their dreams.

For more information about establishing a scholarship fund at Silicon Valley Community Foundation, read about scholarship funds under Ways to Give or contact donate@siliconvalleycf.org or 650.450.5444.

For additional information about applying for scholarships please contact scholarships@siliconvalleycf.org.

Scholarship recipients from 2008 and more information about 2009 scholarship programs are at www.siliconvalleycf.org.