# **Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Scholarships**

## Purpose

The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation is a private, independent foundation dedicated to advancing the education of exceptionally promising students who have financial need. The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation offers several scholarships for college students: one to students entering undergraduate programs, one for students currently attending community colleges and planning to transfer to a four (4) year institution, and one for students entering graduate school. The College Scholarship Program rewards excellence by supporting high-achieving high school seniors with financial need who seek to attend the nation's best four-year colleges and universities. The Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship is for top community college students seeking to complete their bachelor's degrees is the largest private scholarship for community college transfer students in the country.

## • Eligibility Requirements

### College Scholarship Program:

- Plan to graduate from a U.S. high school in spring, then intend to enroll in an accredited four-year college beginning in the fall of the same year.
- Earn a cumulative unweighted GPA of 3.5 or above.
- Receive standardized test scores in the top 15%: SAT combined critical reading and math score of 1200 or above and/or ACT composite score of 26 or above.
- Demonstrate significant unmet financial need. We will consider applicants with family income up to \$95,000. However, we anticipate that a majority of the scholarship recipients will be eligible to receive a Pell grant.

## Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship:

- Be a current student at an accredited U.S. community college or two-year institution with sophomore status by late December.
- Plan to enroll full time in a baccalaureate program at an accredited college or university in fall.
- Have a cumulative undergraduate grade point average of 3.5 or better on a scale of 4.0 (or the equivalent).
- Demonstrate significant unmet financial need. We will consider applicants with family income up to \$95,000.
- Have not previously been nominated for the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship.
- Have not previously attended a four-year institution.

#### • Application Process

- O Students can expect the following requirements on the application:
  - Original application
  - Transcripts for all high school and/or college coursework
  - Letters of recommendation that speak to your leadership, public service and academic achievements.
- Application deadline is early December.

#### • Selection Process

 Applications are reviewed and award letters will be mailed to students no later than late April.

#### • Website Link

o For more information, please visit www.jkcf.org

