

Novato Firefighter Steven L. Rucker perished in a wildland fire in Southern California in 2003. To honor his memory and sacrifice, the Novato Fire Foundation is awarding a \$2,000.00 scholarship to an outstanding senior of Marin County High Schools.

### **Eligibility**

Eligible applicants for the Novato Fire Foundation Scholarship Program must be:

A student currently attending High School in Marin County.

In his/her senior year of high school in the fall of 2020.

Beginning college in the spring or fall of 2021.

Enrolling in an accredited community college with the goal of earning an Associate's degree in Fire Technology, such as the program offered by Santa Rosa Jr. College. **Or,**

Enrolling in an accredited community college with the goal of completing prerequisite courses in a paramedic program. For example, classes in Emergency First Responder, EMT-1, Anatomy, or Heart Arrhythmia would qualify. Such courses are offered by Santa Rosa Jr. College. Similar EMT-1 courses, such as those offered at College of Marin or Napa College would also qualify.

**Or,**

Enrolling in an accredited 4-year college or university with the intention of studying courses in Fire Protection Systems and Engineering or Fire Management.

### **Criteria**

Academic achievement, written material, letters of recommendation, high school, and community contributions will be considered when making the scholarship award. Awards are based on requested information and accompanying materials received as part of the application process.

Recipients must be pursuing a two- or four-year degree at any accredited college or a paramedic training program. The accredited college must offer a Fire Science/Technology program which provides practical and technical instruction to meet the requirements of fire service agencies at the local, state, and federal levels; including courses in fire prevention, public education, fire suppression, arson investigation, emergency medical services (EMT/Paramedic), heavy rescue, and hazardous materials management.

### **How to Apply**

Complete the Novato Fire Foundation Scholarship Program application form and include additional required materials (personal statement-essay, and letter of recommendation) and submit to:

Novato Fire Foundation Scholarship Program or via email to:  
Novato Fire Foundation  
95 Rowland Way  
Novato, CA 94945

Or by email at: [novatofirefoundation@novatofire.org](mailto:novatofirefoundation@novatofire.org)

**Applications must be received by April 30, 2021 (no exceptions).**

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In Memory of Novato Firefighter Steve Rucker**