



Gardenland Northgate Neighborhood Association SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2025

The Gardenland/Northgate Neighborhood Association (GNNA) is a community-based 501 (c) (3) organization that seeks to improve the quality and safety of our community. Each year, GNNA provides scholarships to graduating seniors and current college students who are continuing their education. All applicants must live within the boundaries of GNNA. Priority will be given to first-time applicants.

We encourage you to apply for our scholarships, which will provide financial support as you pursue your education at a community college, technical school, or a four-year university. GNNA will award scholarships up to \$1250.00.

Applications may be obtained from your career center or school counselor or online through the GNNA webpage at www.GNNA.info or the GNNA Facebook page at *Gardenland/Northgate Neighborhood Association*.

Applications are due by 5 p.m. on May 16, 2025. We encourage awardees to invite their families to share in this joyous event.

All ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS MUST BE MEANT:

1. You must be a current high school senior, or its equivalent, with a graduation date in the 2025/26 academic year or a current college student.
2. You must have enrolled in a community college, vocational school, or a 4-year university and provide proof of registration or acceptance.
3. You must live within the GNNA boundaries defined on page 6 of this application. Eligibility is based on neighborhood residency. **Living outside the boundaries will disqualify you from consideration.**
4. You must be in good academic standing, maintain a 3.00 average or higher, and provide your school transcripts.
5. Two current Letters of Recommendation from a teacher, counselor, principal, community leader, or community organization.
6. Submit a completed essay that includes specific details quantifying your community service hours and years of involvement.

CRITERIA FOR THE GILBERTO AND LUCY RAMIREZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Gilberto and Lucy Ramirez Memorial Scholarship honors two dedicated community leaders whose service transformed the Gardenland-Northgate neighborhoods. Gilberto founded GNNA, serving as president for 10 years, and played key roles in the Stanford Settlement Board and Teen Center Committee. Recognizing his impact, he was named the 2010 Natomas Man of the Year.

Lucy was his partner in service, advocacy, and community engagement, sharing his passion every step of the way. Their legacy of leadership, dedication, and partnership lives on through this scholarship, which supports students striving to make a difference through service and advocacy.

In honor of Gilberto and Lucy's commitment to public service and our community, GNNA offers a special scholarship to applicants who demonstrate an exemplary commitment to community service. The criteria are the same as the GNNA scholarship; however, applicants and all eligible requirements and demonstrate community involvement. When applying, please indicate your interest in being considered for the Gilberto and Lucy Ramirez Memorial Scholarship.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

APPLICANT:

Name: _____ Today's Date: _____

Home Address (Number, Street, City, Zip Code):

Cell Phone Number: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

SCHOOL INFORMATION:

Name of School Currently Attending: _____

Graduation date: _____

Community college, vocational school, or a 4-year university Address (Number, Street, City, Zip Code):

Please respond to each of the following statements. Please keep your responses to a maximum of 350 words per question.

1. Describe your short and long-term educational goals and your aspirational goals.
2. Describe your community service and/or civic engagement and why you were inspired to participate in this endeavor.
3. Describe the strengths and positive qualities of our community. In your opinion, what are the challenges it faces, and what is one change the community should advocate for?
4. Please express your interest in the Gilberto and Lucy Ramirez Memorial Scholarship. Describe your involvement in strengthening the Gardenland-Northgate community through leadership, service, and advocacy. Explain how you demonstrated a commitment to community service and how you plan to continue making a positive impact in our community.

Please initial next to the items that pertain to you:

_____ I authorize GNNA to utilize information on my application and any photos for publicity or public relations purposes.

_____ I am interested in applying for the Gilberto and Lucy Ramirez Memorial Scholarship, and I have included my essay.

I certify that all the information in this application is true to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant (Print Name)

Date

Applicant's Signature

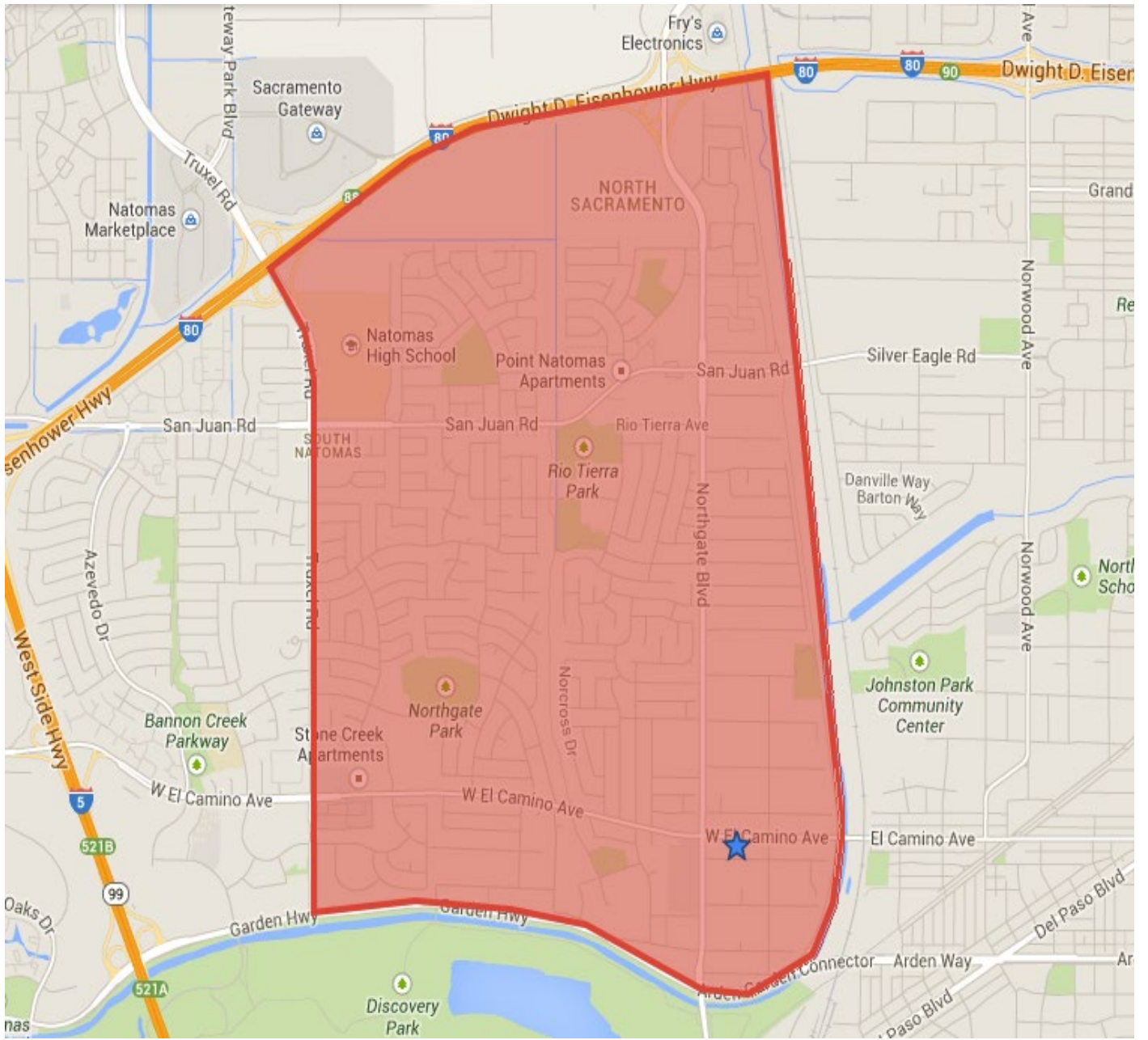
Include the following items in your application

- A valid copy of your current academic transcript.
- Proof of acceptance or registration at an accredited university or community college.
- 2 Letter(s) of recommendations.

Scholarship applications must be dropped off or mailed to GNNA c/o Stanford Settlement, 450 West El Camino Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95833, no later than 5 PM May 16, 2025

If you have questions, please contact:
GNNABoard@gmail.com

GNNA BOUNDARIES



North: CA Interstate 80
East: Steelhead Creek
South: Garden Highway
West: East Side of Truxel Road