

Chico Area Recreation and Park District

2018 California Naturalist Scholarship Program



Guidelines and Information

The Chico Area Recreation and Park District has a limited number of scholarships to assist interested persons in attending the California Naturalist course. The goal of the CARD Cal Nat scholarship program is to ensure equitable allocation of available funding in a timely manner to individuals who supply the

Necessary financial information is required to demonstrate the greatest need. Scholarships are offered in the form of reduced payments.

1. Scholarships are available to Chico Area Recreation and Park District (CARD) residents, who meet the income requirements. An application and proof of income are required.
2. Please complete the attached application and registration form and provide a copy of your last Federal Income Tax Return (form 1040/1040EZ/1040NR) showing that you fall under the income eligibility guidelines listed below.
3. All applications and supporting documentation must be submitted to the CARD Office for review and approval. Please note, incomplete forms will not be processed.
4. Scholarships are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.
5. If approved, a scholarship recipient will be allowed to enroll in the California Naturalist course for \$50, the recipient must pay the program fee to enroll. The participant is also responsible for the cost of the California Naturalist Handbook and all other course materials, transportation to and from the program, and any additional costs the total of which is not expected to exceed \$80.
6. All scholarship applications are kept confidential.
7. The Chico Area Recreation and Park District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, nationality, gender, ethnic origin, or religious belief in admission, retention, student aid, scholarship, and other educational policies.
8. Applicants who falsify information, or do not attend the program regularly, may be ineligible for future scholarships.
9. If extenuating circumstances prevent regular attendance, please contact the CARD Office at (530) 895-4711. If you cannot attend the program for any reason, you must contact the CARD Office prior to the program start date. Failure to do so may result in a suspension of scholarship benefits for one year including all family dependents.

Income eligibility guidelines: Gross household income must not exceed the following maximum income requirements based on the applicable household size:

Household Size - Annual Income

- 1 - \$21,978
- 2 - \$29,637
- 3 - \$37,296
- 4 - \$44,955
- 5 - \$52,614

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Program Application



Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone (Home) _____ (Work) _____ (Cell) _____

Email: _____

Number of people in household: _____ (household size must equal #claimed on 1040/proof of income)

I certify that I have received, and carefully read, the California Naturalist Program Guidelines and Information, and that the information provided herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I acknowledge and understand that the information provided will be relied upon for the purpose of determining eligibility to receive a scholarship from the Chico Area Recreation and Park District, and that any material misstatement, fraudulently or negligently made in this or in any other statement made by me may result in the denial of my eligibility to receive a scholarship.

Date _____

Signature _____

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Date Received _____

Total Household Income \$ _____