

# Simpson United Methodist Church

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Dear Continuing College Student,

The Simpson United Methodist Church Scholarship Committee would like to encourage you to apply for the scholarship available through the church for continuing college students. This year we will make available The Gene and Kimiko Side Scholarship.

These scholarships will be awarded to continuing college students, and/or college graduates who are planning to further their education by entering one of the following: a business, trade, technical, or vocational school; an undergraduate college or university program; or a graduate program. Scholarship recipients must demonstrate that they have been accepted into their selected program at an accredited educational institution. If you receive an award and are unable to pursue your education immediately after graduation, you are expected to return the scholarship funds and Simpson United Methodist Church will hold your scholarship funds in your name for up to five years.

Active participation in and support of Simpson United Methodist Church and Christian values is mandatory for scholarship consideration along with other factors such as involvement in the Japanese American community, grade point average, community service, and school activities. Eligibility for The Gene and Kimiko Side Scholarship requires an affiliation and involvement with Simpson United Methodist Church.

All participants are required to do community service at Simpson. For continuing college students, a minimum of 5 hours must be completed prior to scholarship application deadline. If you are having difficulty acquiring volunteer hours, please contact Rev. Brian Lee at [revbrian@simpsonumc.com](mailto:revbrian@simpsonumc.com) or Dennis Kitayama at [dkkitayama@gmail.com](mailto:dkkitayama@gmail.com). They may be able to provide information about volunteer opportunities.

The scholarship application form as well as the volunteer attestation form may be downloaded from the church website located at [www.simpsonumc.com](http://www.simpsonumc.com). The deadline for application is **April 10, 2026** and will not be extended. **All applications must arrive by email to [sumcscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:sumcscholarship@gmail.com) and mail to Simpson United Methodist Church attn. Scholarship Committee, 6001 Wolff Street, Arvada CO 80003-6833 on or before this due date for consideration.**

Scholarship recipients are also expected to be present in worship on **Sunday, June 14**, at 10:00 a.m., for recognition and will be asked to speak briefly about their educational plans and how the received scholarship will help them achieve their educational goals.

If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to email us at [sumcscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:sumcscholarship@gmail.com) or call Bobbi Wong at 720-272-6666, Julie Cleary at 303-523-4428, or Cindy Kondo at 303-433-8957.

Sincerely,

Simpson United Methodist Church Scholarship Committee

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Scholarship(s) will be awarded to a continuing college student(s) who is deserving, worthy and shows potential. The criteria used to award scholarships offered by Simpson United Methodist Church is as follows:

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## **THE GENE AND KIMIKO SIDE SCHOLARSHIP**

### **Continuing College Student**

(This scholarship is renewable as long as scholarship funds are available and a renewal application is submitted.)

1. The recipient should be deserving, worthy, and show potential.
2. The recipient has an affiliation and involvement with Simpson United Methodist Church.
3. The recipient must complete 5 hours of community service at Simpson by the scholarship application due date.

**Simpson United Methodist Church Scholarship Program  
Attestation of Volunteerism at Simpson United Methodist Church**

*Note: This is a required form to apply for any scholarships offered at Simpson United Methodist Church. With all other required documents, submit this completed required form. Please use one form per event per year. Number of volunteer hours needed can be found on the Simpson website or scholarship criteria sheet.*

This letter of attestation is being provided on behalf of the following volunteer:

Name of volunteer: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

This is to confirm that the person listed above has volunteered in the duties or responsibilities of:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

at the event known as \_\_\_\_\_

sponsored by the organization named \_\_\_\_\_

for a total of \_\_\_\_\_ hours on the date(s) of \_\_\_\_\_.

I hereby certify that the information above is true, and an accurate representation of duties and responsibilities performed by the volunteer:

Printed name and signature (may not be an immediate family member of the volunteer):

\_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number for verification: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Simpson United Methodist Church  
Scholarship **RENEWAL** Application YEAR 2026

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print)

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City and Zip \_\_\_\_\_

College \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Average \_\_\_\_\_

Please tell a little about your past year's experience: \_\_\_\_\_

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How has your Simpson participation influenced or affected your college experience?

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Have you joined in any special activities?

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Have your goals changed?

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Will you be present at Simpson's graduation presentation on Sunday, June 14, 2026? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

**RENEWAL DEADLINE:** Must be received by **April 10, 2026**. Mail completed applications to:  
Scholarship Committee, Simpson United Methodist Church, 6001 Wolff St., Arvada, CO 80003-6833.  
Also, please email a copy of your application to [sumcscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:sumcscholarship@gmail.com) by **April 10, 2026**.