# AUSTIN COUNCIL OF THE BLIND Scholarship Application

**Betty Huffman, Scholarship Committee Chair**

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The Austin Council of the Blind awards  scholarships each year to blind and visually impaired students attending a Community College or University in Austin or Travis County.  Recipients must:

* Be a high school graduate or attending a college or university
* Be blind or visually impaired
* Be furthering their employability by acquiring new skills through higher education.
* Be attending a college or university in a 2- or 4-year undergraduate degree program of study, attending a graduate program or, in specialized situations, enrolled in a certification program at a proprietary institution.
* Have demonstrated financial need.

To apply for this scholarship, complete the following application:

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## Scholarship Application

**Note**: Screen Reader users, press the “End” key to move the cursor to the end of the line before typing your response.

**First and Last Name:**

**Home Address:**

**Street:**

**Apartment or Unit:**

**City:**

**State:**

**Zip:**

**Phone:**

**Email:**

## Questions

Have you been admitted to college? Yes No:

Name of college you attend or plan to attend:

Degree/Certification you are pursuing:

Do you receive services from Texas Workforce Solutions, Vocational Rehabilitation Services? Yes No:

Please list your most recent employment, if any:

**Business Name:**

**Business Address:**

**Job or Position:**

**A brief description of your job duties:**

**Contact person:**

**Contact Person’s Phone Number:**

## Attach the following documents along with your application:

* For graduating high school seniors and/or first year students, copy of your high school transcript.
* Documentation of enrollment into a college, university, or specialized training program.
Note: Documentation may be provided by the institution in which you are enrolled, or by a teacher or Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor.
* A copy of your college transcript and current grades if you are currently attending a college. Or certification program.
* A financial worksheet showing your household income sources and amounts, plus your household average monthly expenses (including college costs).
* Please describe any unusual financial hardships.

## Essay

Compose an Essay of 250 to 400 words.

You should address in your essay:

* your college goals and choice of major,
* what you intend to do with your education,
* why a scholarship is important to you.
* Include any academic and non-academic accomplishments, personal characteristics, or experiences that make you uniquely worthy of scholarship consideration.

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Please return to:

Austin Council of the Blind Betty Huffman, Committee Chairman

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Austin, Texas 78727

Applications must be received by May 1, 2022.

They may be sent via email to blhuffman@sbcglobal.net

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