

***El Camino Real District #20***  
***AHEPA***  
***Scholarship Foundation***

***2026 GRADUATE GRANT OPPORTUNITY***



January, 2026

The ***El Camino Real District 20 Scholarship Foundation*** is kicking off its annual scholarship campaign. Graduate Grant Applications are now available to qualified students who are members of District 20's Order of AHEPA or Daughters of Penelope.

The Foundation is distributing Graduate Grant Applications so all applicants may have adequate time to complete and mail their application packets postmarked

**On OR Before May 2, 2026**

Additional applications may be obtained from our District 20 website <http://ahepadistrict20.org> or by contacting me by telephone at (805) 895-0975 or at [cnsgreek@aol.com](mailto:cnsgreek@aol.com).

Sincerely,

***Carol Stathopoulos***

Carol Stathopoulos  
President, Scholarship Foundation

Attachments

***El Camino Real District 20***

***AHEPA***

***Scholarship Foundation***

**2026 GRADUATE GRANT APPLICATION**

**Information List**

The ***El Camino Real District #20 AHEPA Scholarship Foundation*** is proud to announce the 2026 Graduate Grant opportunity. Applicants must have resided within District 20 and currently be a member of a ***District 20 Order of AHEPA*** or ***Daughters of Penelope*** chapter for **at least one year prior to applying**.

An applicant may not receive an El Camino Real District #20 Scholarship Foundation Graduate Grant more than one (1) grant per year and may not receive more than two (2) grants total.

To be considered for a Graduate Grant, the applicant must:

1. Be a post-graduate student enrolled in a Masters or Doctorate Program at an educational institution in 2026-2027.
2. Have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) OF 3.5 for all collegiate and post-graduate studies.
3. Prepare a typewritten personal statement essay not to exceed a single page.
4. Provide two (2) letters of recommendation on official stationery.
5. Provide official transcripts of all collegiate and any post-graduate studies completed. Transcripts must be dated prior to May 2, 2026. (Additional instructions middle of page 2 of application.)
6. Receive an Order of AHEPA or Daughters of Penelope District 20 Chapter endorsement and verification of applicant's membership for at least one (1) year prior to the date of this application (Page 3).
7. Signed IRS information form (page 4).
8. Complete application packet must be dated/postmarked

**On OR before MAY 2, 2026.**

**LATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

*El Camino Real District #20*  
**AHEPA**  
**SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION**

**2026 GRADUATE GRANT APPLICATION**

Personal Information

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent mailing address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Street, City, State, Zip)

Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate contact – an individual who will know how to reach you:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Please state the name & location of your undergraduate institution and the year you graduated:

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

NAME OF POST GRADUATE SCHOOL ATTENDING: \_\_\_\_\_

AREA OF STUDY: \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you find this an interesting area of study? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

How will a grant help you to achieve your personal goals? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

# 2026 GRADUATE GRANT APPLICATION

Describe your career plans: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate your AHEPA or Daughters of Penelope affiliation:

Chapter's Name and Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter Number \_\_\_\_\_ Your National I.D. Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

For your application to be considered, the following must be included in your packet:

- 1. Application pages 1, 2, 3 and 4.
- 2. Official original transcripts of all collegiate and any post-graduate work completed to date. If no post-graduate work, please include a copy of your acceptance letter from your post-graduate educational institution for 2026-2027. Official transcripts must be in a school-sealed envelope. (Copies or faxes are not acceptable) Alternately, transcripts may be emailed directly from the university or post-graduate institution prior to midnight **Pacific Standard Time, May 2, 2026**, to:  
  

[elcamino20sch@gmail.com](mailto:elcamino20sch@gmail.com)
- 3. Personal Statement: Please type a short essay that highlights your personal qualities in the context of school or job environments. Autobiographical essays should delve into your talents, skills, passions, ambitions, and accomplishments. Personal statements enable the evaluation of applicants: not just what they say about themselves, but also how they say it. (Statements are not to exceed a single page.)
- 4. Two Letters of Recommendation: Letters must be written by two individuals who know you well academically. Faculty members most commonly write letters of recommendation; however, other professionals who know you well and/or have supervised your work in academia or research may also be appropriate choices.
- 5. Headshot photograph approximately 2x2".
- 6. Place all items in a 9x12" envelope and send postmarked **no later than May 2, 2026**.

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**Mail to:**

**Carol Stathopoulos  
3065 E. Packard Drive  
Gilbert, AZ 85298-8727**

Questions? Email: [cnsgreeks@aol.com](mailto:cnsgreeks@aol.com) or call 805-895-0975.

**AHEPA FAMILY CHAPTER ENDORSEMENT**

We, the undersigned officers of

Chapter \_\_\_\_\_, Number \_\_\_\_\_,

of \_\_\_\_\_ (City, State), hereby certify the application of

\_\_\_\_\_ has received the official

endorsement of our chapter. The applicant is a member in good standing of District #20 for at **least one (1) year prior** to the date of this application.

Complete one below:                      Chapter Name and Number                      National ID Number

Order of AHEPA                      \_\_\_\_\_                      \_\_\_\_\_

**OR**

Daughters of Penelope                      \_\_\_\_\_                      \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Chapter President

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Chapter Secretary

Date \_\_\_\_\_

(Both signatures are required.)

**PLEASE RETURN THIS PAGE TO APPLICANT FOR SUBMISSION TO THE SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION**

Your signature below indicates your understanding and agreement to the following conditions regarding the payment of a **Graduate Grant** from the

**El Camino Real District 20 AHEPA Scholarship Foundation.**

*IRS regulations state Grant funds may only be used for:*

- Tuition and fees required for enrollment or attendance, and
- Fees, books, supplies and equipment required for courses of instruction at the educational institution.

**Grant funds made payable directly to the student require the student's signature below acknowledging they understand and agree to the conditions stated above.**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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