

San Fernando Santa Clarita Alumni Silhouettes of Kappa Alpha Psi



Renaissance Woman Scholarship

The San Fernando Santa Clarita
Alumni Silhouettes invite you to apply
For our scholarship opportunity

Renaissance Woman Scholarship Eligibility Requirements:

- African American Female Student
- Current High School Senior
- Attending an accredited four-year institution or two-year community college beginning Fall 2025
- Graduating from a San Fernando or Santa Clarita Valley Public or Private High School
- Minimum GPA of 2.75
- Application deadline: **4/15/25**



The San Fernando Santa Clarita Silhouettes, also known as the Valley Silhouettes, were chartered in December 2018 and are an official auxiliary to the San Fernando Santa Clarita Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.



For more information or to receive an application package email us at:

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San Fernando-Santa Clarita Alumni Silhouettes
of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc

Scholarship Application Deadline
April 15, 2025

Who Are the Silhouettes?

The **National Silhouettes** are an official auxiliary of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc since 1947. As the wives and widows of the men of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. our purpose is to support the National organization as well as our local Alumni Chapters in community events and fundraising efforts while also promoting the initiatives of the National Silhouettes. **The San Fernando-Santa Clarita Silhouettes** aka **The Valley Silhouettes**, as we are known, was chartered in 2018 in support of the San Fernando-Santa Clarita Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Incorporated.

What is the Renaissance Scholarship?

The Valley Silhouettes established the Renaissance Woman Scholarship in 2020 issuing our first scholarship awards in 2021. Our mission is to provide financial support to African American female high school seniors as they matriculate to college, empowering them to become active and engaged members of their communities. The Valley Silhouettes have provided over \$15,000 in scholarships since its inception.

Who Can Apply?

Applicants must be female high school seniors who meet the following criteria:

1. Will enroll in an accredited institution for the academic year following the scholarship award (Summer/Fall 2025), including four-year colleges, universities, or two-year community colleges.
2. Attend local high schools in the San Fernando or Santa Clarita Valleys.
3. Are of African American heritage.
4. Have a cumulative GPA of **2.75** or higher.

In addition to the initial eligibility criteria, scholarship awards will be granted based on the following:

- Demonstration of qualities through the application, essay, and recommendations, including:
 - Good character
 - Outstanding leadership abilities
 - Strong academic performance
- Timely submission of a completed application packet.
- Submission of an official high school transcript

How to Apply?

Qualified students must complete the Renaissance Scholarship Application and email it with **ALL** required supporting documents to us at info.valleysilhoeutttes@gmail.com on or before **April 15, 2025**.

Who Evaluates the Scholarship Application?

- Our Scholarship Committee will evaluate all applications received on or before the April 15, 2025, deadline.
- All Renaissance Woman Scholarship applications and related material become the property of San Fernando Santa Clarita Alumni Silhouettes.
- Applications and information provided by the applicants will be held in strict confidence by the Scholarship Committee.
- The decision of the San Fernando Santa Clarita Alumni Silhouettes regarding scholarship awards is **final** and is not subject to appeal.

When & How are Scholarships Awarded?

Scholarship awards will be granted in June, and recipients will be contacted by our Scholarship Committee with further information. These scholarships are awarded based on various criteria, including academic performance, community involvement, and personal essays submitted during the application process.

Requirements For Submission:

- **Completed and signed Renaissance woman Application:**
 - Submit the Renaissance Woman Scholarship Application
- **Personal Statement:**
 - This statement should express why you deserve this scholarship award and how you intend to use it. Explain any extenuating circumstances and insight that may not be reflected in the application thus far. This must be a minimum of 250 words.
- **Essay Requirement:**
 - **Topic:** What do you see as the most pressing issue facing African American women today and how will you use your education to address it? Give specific examples.
 - Essay must be double spaced and no more than 1-2 pages. Be sure to include the question in the title of your essay.
- **Most recent high school transcript, including cumulative GPA.**
- **Two original signed letters of recommendation**
 - Letters must be from teachers, colleagues, or community leaders. These individuals should be familiar with your character, abilities, community service, leadership skills, achievements, and activities related to school or church.
- **A recent photograph of yourself.**
- **All documents must be submitted in a single attachment.**

Subsequent Requirements:

- **College Acceptance Letter**
 - If you are awarded the Renaissance Scholarship, you must submit your college acceptance letter as soon as received. **Please submit the college acceptance letter with your application if you have it.**

Renaissance Woman Scholarship Application

Important Note: an incomplete application package will not be considered

Personal Data

Full Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Graduation Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip-Code:** _____

Contact Phone# _____

Email Address: _____

Name of one Parent or Legal Guardian

Name	Email address	Relation

List the following information for those providing recommendations

Name	Phone #	Relation

Community Service Information

(Attach Additional Pages if Necessary)

Service Org/Activity	Office(s) Held/Committees	Length Of Service

Educational Data

Current High School _____

Location City _____

Cumulative GPA: _____ **College/University You Will Attend:** _____ **Location** _____

Intended Major _____

Parent's Name _____

Parent's Daytime Telephone # _____

Parent's Signature _____ **Date:** _____

Signature of Applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

Renaissance Woman Scholarship Checklist:

- Completed and Signed Renaissance Woman Scholarship Application
- Personal Statement (250 words)
- Essay (1-2 pages)
- Two original signed letters of recommendation
- Most Recent High School Transcript, including cumulative GPA
- College Acceptance Letter (if received)
- A Recent Photo of Yourself

**All Documents must be Submitted in a Single Attachment by
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