**2022 Community Partnership Details**

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| **Annual Timeline** |

**September 2021**

* AFA’s scholarship application becomes available online at [www.agfuture.org/scholarships](http://www.agfuture.org/scholarships) on **September 1, 2021**.

**November/December 2021**

* Complete the Community Partnership Agreement Form online by **December 31, 2021.**
* Request any additional resources or support from AFA staff (letterhead, donor ledgers, etc.).
* Begin/continue raising scholarship funds.

**January/ February 2022**

* Market the scholarship and value of AFA with school counselors, ag teachers, principals, superintendents, parents and local agribusinesses.
* AFA will forward all student application information directly to community coordinators via email.
* AFA will send an account balance sheet.

**March 2022**

* AFA’s application deadline for national scholarship consideration is **March 9, 2022.** All community deadlines are also on or before March 9. All students that apply will be eligible for both the AFA National Leader and Academic Scholarship, as well as community consideration. Communities will be contacted if their candidates are also being considered for national awards.
* Finalize fundraising and mail funds to AFA with an electronic copy of donor ledger by **March 31, 2022.** *(See Funding Details section at the bottom of page 2)*
* AFA will send donor thank you letters after receiving funds and donor ledgers.
* Continue promoting the scholarship within the community.

**April 2022**

* Submit completed applications to the local review committee by **April 1, 2022.**
* Conduct interviews with applicants and select recipients by **May 1, 2022** for announcement at high school commencement ceremonies. Send AFA the names of recipients.

**May 2022**

* Recognize scholarship recipients and community donors in local community.
* If scholars from the community are considered for national awards, coordinators will be contacted prior to interviews during the month of May.

**June 2022**

* AFA will send congradulation letters and online conference registration information to scholars. The information must be completed and returned to AFA by **June 30, 2022.**

**July/August/September 2022**

* AFA advises each student to request the first $1,600 scholarship award by **September 1, 2022** at [www.agfuture.org/requestmyscholarship](http://www.agfuture.org/requestmyscholarship)**.**
* In September, students will receive their first email communication from AFA with detailed information about the 2022 AFA Leaders Conference on November 10-13.

**October 2022**

* AFA will send all scholars electronic information outlining preparations for Conference attendance.

**November 2022**

* Scholars attend **AFA Leaders Conference November 10-13, 2022.**
* After successful completion of the AFA Leaders Conference, students can request the second $1,600 scholarship award by **February 1, 2023** at [www.agfuture.org/requestmyscholarship](http://www.agfuture.org/requestmyscholarship).

**December 2022**

* Ask scholars and conference delegates to send thank you notes to sponsors.
* Complete partnership agreement for the 2023 scholarship year by **December 31.**

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| **Funding Details** |

*Scholarship Eligibility: High school senior or college student that meets the local community scholarship criteria and is pursuing a bachelor’s degree in an agriculture related field. \*Scholars must attend AFA Leaders Conference to receive their scholarship award.\**

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| **Cost Per Scholar** | | | | | | |
|  | Academic Scholarship | Conference Fee | Scholarship Administration | Total | Community Marketing (optional) | Total  (with marketing) |
| Community | $1,600 + | $625 + | $225 = | $2,450 | + $150 = | $2,600 |
| AFA | $1,600 + | $625 + | = | $2,225 | = | $2,225 |
| **Total** | **$3,200** | **$1,250 +** | **$225 =** | **$4,675** | **+ $150 =** | **$4,825** |

*Delegate Eligibility: ONLY receive funding to attend Conference. No additional scholarship award. Students can be high school seniors, not selected for scholarships, or current college students that have attended a previous AFA Leaders Conference.*

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| **Total Cost Per Delegate (Conference ONLY, no scholarship funds) - $1,250** | |
| **Community Funds** | **AFA Match** |
| $625 – Conference Fee | $625 – Conference Fee |
| **Total Community Funds: $625** | **Total AFA Match: $625** |

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| **Scholarship Policy** |

* Scholars must attend the entire AFA Leaders Conference in year awarded to receive scholarship funds.
* The AFA scholarship is a one-time scholarship.
* Scholars must request funds by providing a copy of university tuition, fees or books (if billed through the university) to AFA.
* The AFA scholarship will not cover room and board expenses.
* Scholars must request funds while enrolled as a full time student.
* Funds are dissolved after completion of a bachelor’s degree; if not requested before graduation, or if proof of balance owed is insufficient.
* Student must continue to meet the following eligibility requirements:
  + Pursue a bachelor’s degree
  + Study agriculture or related field
  + Remain in good academic standing with the university
  + Maintain full-time class status