

DALE M. SCHOETTLER SCHOLARSHIP FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED STUDENTS

The Dale M. Schoettler Scholarship for Visually Impaired Students was established in 1991 by Mr. Schoettler, who was a successful businessman from Mountain View, California and blind the last eight years of his life.

Forty-four (44) scholarships of \$10,000 each will be awarded for the 2023-2024 academic year.

Applicants must:

- Currently have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.8 on a 4.0 scale and must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.8 on a 4.0 scale during the academic year in which the award is received.
- Be currently enrolled in 6.1 units or more as a CSU undergraduate or graduate student in any major field and must remain enrolled in 6.1 units or more during the academic year in which the award is received.
- Have a **visual disability** and provide verification from a medical health professional, which includes the best corrected visual acuity notations. (Please note that the disability must be such that it impedes the educational process and necessitates accommodations, support services, or programs.)

Applications are available through the campus Financial Aid Office.

Financial Aid Offices should provide information about the availability of this scholarship to the Disabled Student Services Office. Each campus may nominate as many candidates as they would like for consideration for the scholarships. Students who have previously been nominated and/or awarded the Schoettler scholarship may continue to apply each year they meet the qualifications.

Completed applications submitted by the campus Financial Aid Office to the CSU Foundation must include the following:

Medical health professional's verification of visual disability, which includes the best corrected visual acuity notations using the "Confirmation of Visual Disability" form.

Personal Statement (300 word count for each):

1. What experience has impacted your personal growth?
2. Tell us about a time you failed. What did you learn from that experience?
3. Why are you pursuing your major? How does it relate to your career aspirations?
4. Provide an example of service beyond the classroom (i.e., have you taken on significant family obligations, helped others in a specific way, been involved in political action, worked/volunteered/interned at a particular organization, etc.).
Why is this example significant to you?