



Beverley Yip Scholarship

Union of Pan Asian Communities (UPAC) started in 1974 when its founding Executive Director, Beverley Yip, and six leaders of the Asian and Pacific Islander (API) communities (Chinese, Japanese, Filipino, Korean, Samoan, and Guamanian) united and pioneered the way for UPAC's first City of San Diego grant. Using these funds, they established a cultural adjustment and language assistance program to ease access to community resources. At that time, no single Asian group was large enough or vocal enough to pursue the basic services desperately needed by its impoverished, ill, elderly and limited English-speaking members.

As refugees from Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia began arriving in San Diego with multiple health, behavioral health, educational and housing needs, through her courage, compassion, and devotion to UPAC's mission, Beverley Yip was instrumental in developing UPAC's culturally and linguistically appropriate programs to address those special needs. Through Ms. Yip's leadership, UPAC emerged as the only bilingual, bi-cultural, multi-service agency for San Diego's Asian populations.

After Ms. Yip's death in 1991, the Beverley Yip Scholarship was created and sustained by her husband, Phillip, and children, Janice Yip and Keith Yip, to provide scholarships to assist students in pursuing post-secondary education and/or training toward a degree or career in social work, behavioral health, health and human services, or related fields.

Today, UPAC provides health and human services focused on improving the overall well-being of all underserved diverse populations in San Diego County. Assistance is provided in over 30 languages at 15 locations across San Diego County, and programs focus on mental health counseling, community engagement and business development, addiction treatment and recovery, housing counseling, health promotion and cultural competency education.

2023-2024 Beverley Yip Scholarship

The purpose of the Beverley Yip Scholarship is to provide scholarships to qualified students in need of financial aid to assist them in pursuing post-secondary education and/or training toward a degree or career in social work, behavioral health, or related fields in health and human services.

Qualifications

Each applicant must submit a completed Application and meet the following qualifications to be eligible for consideration for a Beverley Yip Scholarship:

- Have completed at least a secondary (high school) education for undergraduate scholarship or completed undergraduate education for post-graduate scholarship;
- Be a current resident of San Diego County;
- Be pursuing a degree or career in social work, behavioral health, addiction treatment and recovery, or related fields on health and human services;
- Demonstrate financial need; and
- Have demonstrated academic and leadership ability and/or community involvement.

Required Documents

To be complete, your Application submission must include all of the following:

- Your completed Application (on the form below);
- An autobiographical statement (see requirements below);
- Two letters of recommendation; and
- Your most recent official school transcripts and/or report card.

Application Deadline and Where to Submit Application

Completed Applications (along with all other required documents) must be submitted to UPAC no later than April 1, 2023, and should be mailed to:

Union of Pan Asian Communities
Attn: Katie Boatman
1031 25th Street
San Diego, CA 92102

Applications that are incomplete or fail to include all required documents will not be considered.

Scholarship Payment

Beverly Yip Scholarships may only be applied toward tuition, enrollment fees, books, supplies and equipment required of all students for courses of instruction. If awarded, the scholarship will be paid by UPAC directly to the educational institution upon verification of the student's enrollment and any other award criteria.

Additional Information

Please contact Katie Boatman at (918) 630-7255 or Kboatman@upacsd.com for further information.

2023-2024 Beverley Yip Scholarship Application

(Add additional pages as needed to fully complete all sections)

Scholarship type (choose one): Undergraduate Scholarship
 Post-Graduate Scholarship

Applicant Information

Last Name		First Name		MI
Street Address	City	State	Zip Code	
Phone		Email Address		
Birthdate (mo/day/year)		Birthplace	Years in U.S.	

Parent Information (if student is under the age of 24)

Father's Name (Last, First, MI)		Mother's Name (Last, First, MI)		
Parent's Marital Status		No. of Dependents		
Father's Address	City	State	Zip Code	
Mother's Address (if different from above)	City	State	Zip Code	
Mother's Income		Father's Income		

Current/Former High School Information

Name of School		Yrs. Attended (mo./yr.) From _____ to _____	
City/State	GPA	Date Graduated	

Current or Former College Information (list all post-secondary schools attended)

Name of School		Yrs. Attended	Date Graduated/Anticipated Graduation	
School Address		City	State	
Major	Minor	Cumulative GPA	Units Earned	
Name of School		Yrs. Attended	Date Graduated/Anticipated Graduation	
School Address		City	State	
Major	Minor	Cumulative GPA	Units Earned	

Prospective Education Plan (list the school(s) you plan to attend for the 2022-23 school year)

School Level in Fall 2023	Fall 2023 Attendance Status (Full-time/Part-Time)	
Name of School		
School Address	City	State
Major	Minor	
Intended Career		

Finances (list total estimate of funds available for 2023-24 academic year)

Source	Amount	Source	Amount
Parents/relatives/others		Veteran's Benefits	
Savings		Social Security Benefits	
Projected Employment Income		Other (Please specify)	

Other Financial Aid (list grants, scholarships, or educational loans received for the 2023-2024 academic year)

Grants/Loans/Scholarships (including FAFSA)	Amount
Have you applied for other scholarships	If yes, please list

Extra-Curricular, Leadership and/or Community Service (list all activities within the last 4 years)

Name of activity or organization	Description of involvement	Dates Involved

References (those listed should have known you for more than a year and should NOT be a family member)

Name		Relationship
Phone Number	Email	
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Phone Number	Email	

I hereby certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand and agree that if I am awarded a Beverley Yip Scholarship: (1) if I fail to complete my course of study for the academic year as stated in this Application for any reason not completely outside of my control, I will return to UPAC the full amount of the scholarship awarded; and (2) I will keep UPAC apprised of my academic status at the end of each academic semester (or quarter, as applicable) for the academic year.

Signature

Date

Requirements for Autobiographical Statement:

Your autobiographical statement must be: (1) typed, (2) single spaced, (3) no smaller than 12-point font, (4) a maximum of 2 pages in length, and (5) cover, at a minimum, the following topics:

- a) Your personal life history;
- b) Why you chose your vocational goal or educational pursuit;
- c) Awards, recognitions and certifications you have received;
- d) Your community involvement;
- e) Your employment, if applicable;
- f) Your financial need; and
- g) Any other information you think would be pertinent in considering your Application, including extenuating circumstances such as illnesses, support of children, parents, grandparents, etc.