

**Master Gardener Foundation of Washington State  
Application for Mary Robson and Van Bobbitt Scholarships - 2010**

One of the purposes of the Master Gardener Foundation of Washington State (MGFWS) is education. The Master Gardener Foundation of Washington State offers two scholarships each year, each in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1000.00). These scholarships are offered to enable students to study in horticulture and its related fields. The scholarships can be awarded to high school seniors or to students entering a college/university for the first time as a full time student. A person may receive the scholarship only once and must meet the following requirements.

**Applicant must be:**

1. Sponsored by a Washington State County Master Gardener Program.
2. Accepted by a recognized accredited college/university.
3. Planning a course of study in horticultural, botanical, or strongly related fields.

**To apply, submit the following:**

1. The completed application cover sheet.
2. An official sealed copy of grade transcripts.
3. A one or two page essay on your choice of vocation or profession, how you have planned for the future, and how your education will influence that future.
4. A summary of your activities and service to your family, your school and your community. This summary should include any awards or honors received and may be submitted as a résumé.
5. At least two (2) letters of recommendation (one preferably from an instructor).

**Criteria for the Scholarship:**

Applications will be judged on the county and state level on the basis of:

Essay on choice of Profession or Vocation	25 points
Evidence of planning for the Future	25 points
Academics (showing interest in horticultural areas)	20 points
GPA	5 points
Activities & Service	25 points
Total points	100

**Process:**

1. Contact your local County Extension Master Gardener Program to see who coordinates the Scholarship committee. You can find information about your County at <http://mastergardener.wsu.edu/mgfws/counties.htm>
2. Submit the required items to your WSU County Extension Master Gardener Program Scholarship Committee. If your county does not have a Master Gardener Program, you may submit your application to the Master Gardener Program of a neighboring Washington county. Use the Application Cover Sheet below or a copy from your county or school office.
3. The deadline for submission to the County committee is ***March 19, 2010.***
4. A County scholarship committee will screen applicants. Only one applicant from each county per year can be submitted to the State level. The selected application will be forwarded to the Master Gardener Foundation of Washington State Awards Committee for final selection.
5. A representative for the county must sign the application.

**Other Details**

1. Each application is considered for the Van Bobbitt Scholarship and for the Mary Robson Scholarship.
2. The MGFWS Scholarship Committee will meet after April 1st to make their decisions. Winners will be announced after the decision has been made.
3. Scholarship monies will be sent directly to the college/university cashier's office in the winners' names, after proof of registration is provided to the MGFWS.

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2010 Application Cover Sheet**

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_

2. Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

4. Name of County \_\_\_\_\_

5. College/University that applicant will attend \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Check list of Attachments:

- c Transcripts, including GPA
- c Essay
- c Summary of Service
- c Letters of Recommendation

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
County Representative's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Submit this application to the MGFWS Scholarship Chair at your WSU County Extension Office.

The application must be received by the Scholarship Chair on or before **March 19, 2010**