

The Royal Court of the Golden Spike Empire
Application for Financial Assistance
Drive of the Spike Scholarship Fund Application

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The Drive of the Spike Scholarship Fund, founded in 1996 by Emperor XX Peter Christie and Empress XX & XXXII Sheneka Christie and administered through the Royal Court of the Golden Spike Empire, is available to members of the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Community, or their children, who reside within the state of Utah. Applicants must be pursuing their education through the secondary level and beyond, and require financial assistance to that end.

Criteria of Eligibility

To be eligible, a candidate must:

1. Be a Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual or Transgender individual. Or the child of a Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, or Transgender Parent(s).
2. Must be a resident of Utah for at least one year.
3. Be in demonstrated need of financial assistance.
4. Must be pursuing an education beyond the secondary level in one or more of the following areas: College/University, Trade/Vocational, or the Arts.
5. Be applying for, accepted for enrollment, or enrolled in accredited educational program beyond the secondary level within the state of Utah.
6. Scholarships are given out in May of each year. To be eligible you must be attending or enrolled in school by May of the following year.
7. Evidence the potential to successfully complete the selected program of study.

Method of Selection

A Scholarship Review Committee composed of Board members of the R.C.G.S.E. will review the application of each candidate. Personal interviews may be arranged for application finalists if deemed necessary. Recipients of the scholarship will be chosen on completion of interviews with the finalists who demonstrate the necessary criteria of eligibility. Applications are available during the months of February through May.

Applications are available through and can be mailed to:

R.C.G.S.E. Attn: Scholarship Fund
P.O. Box 11793
Salt Lake City, Utah 84147-0793

Any further questions please email:
Emperor: emperor@rcgse.org
Empress: empress@rcgse.org

The Scholarships will be awarded to the recipients at our annual Coronation at the end of May.

THE DRIVE OF THE SPIKE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

All information obtained from this application will be held in strict confidence, only to be used for the purposes of selecting the recipient(s) of the Drive of the Spike Scholarship.

Affirmative Action Policy Statement

The Scholarship Committee, in granting financial aid, does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, age or national or ethnic origin.

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Address _____ Sex _____

Social Security Number _____

Phone number (hm) _____ Phone number (WK) _____

How long have you lived in the state of Utah? _____

Check one:

_____ I am a Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual/Transgender Individual

_____ I am the child of a G/L/B/T Individual _____ Parents Name

To what accredited program (College/ University, Trade/ Vocational, Arts) have you applied for or are applying to, been accepted for enrollment or are currently enrolled in? _____

Enrollment Status: _____ Full Time _____ Part Time _____ Current G.P.A.

Curriculum _____

Educational Background

Do you hold a: High School Diploma _____ Yes _____ No

General Education Degree (GED) _____ Yes _____ No

Other degree(s) _____ Yes _____ No

Name of Degree

Graduating Institution

Degree Date

List any activities or Volunteer work experience that you feel are important: _____

List any awards or Honors you have received. _____

List any specialized training, courses, workshops, etc. you have completed. _____

Statement of Financial Need

What is the anticipated financial need during the period of your schooling? _____

During the next academic period? _____

Period during which you anticipate the need for financial aid:

From: _____/_____
Month Year

To: _____/_____
Month Year

List other Scholarships/loans you have applied for and/or received for the above time period:

List other Scholarships/loans you have previously received: _____

Do you plan to work during the above time period? _____ Full time _____ Part time

Are you currently employed _____ Number of hours per week _____

Employer _____

How long have you been employed? _____

Anticipated Income for Aid Period:

Employment	_____
Savings	_____
Scholarships	_____
Loans	_____
Parents/Partner	_____
Other	_____
Total	_____

Anticipated Expenses for Aid Period:

Tuition / Fees	_____
Books / Supplies	_____
Living Expenses	_____
Medical / Dental	_____
Insurance	_____
Child Care	_____
Other	_____
Total	_____

Additional Information

On an attached sheet please provide additional information regarding your background, goals, aspirations, accomplishments, dreams, hopes or other information that would help the Scholarship Review Committee evaluate your request for financial consideration. We recommend that you also submit any other information you deem helpful in the selection process, i.e.. References, transcripts, copies of personal or parents tax returns, etc. Please note that the more information you provide, you increase your chances of receiving a scholarship.

I have read and understand the criteria of eligibility and the method of selection regarding the Drive of the Spike Scholarship. I understand that if I am a recipient of this scholarship, my name may be published in local gay news publications, and could be announced at events publicizing the scholarship and the award to winners. If you would prefer not to have your name publicized, please let us know and it will not affect the scholarship committee's decision.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

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_____ Approved Date	Approved / Denied _____
_____ Denied	Scholarship Amount \$_____