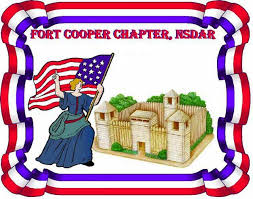
**Fort Cooper Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution**

Citrus County, Florida

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION - DUE: **MARCH 17, 2026**



*MAIL TO:*

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## SUBMISSION INFORMATION

* The Application packet must be received by the Fort Cooper Chapter Scholarship Chairman by **March 10, 2026**. If mailed, the application must be postmarked no later than **March 13, 2026**.
* Applicants may contact Mrs. Suzanne Menorca at 352-527-7898 or [smenorca@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:smenorca@tampabay.rr.com) for questions or assistance in submitting an application. The scholarship recipient and high school will be notified in April 2026. A recent photograph of the award recipient will be requested for publicity purposes. The award check will be transmitted to the financial aid office of the college or university where the recipient has been accepted and designated for deposit to the student’s account. Recipient’s attendance at the organization’s May 2026 meeting is requested.

## AWARD OBJECTIVE AND GUIDELINES

**LOCAL** - In 2024 the Fort Cooper Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) is pleased to offer three $1000 scholarships for the 3 public Citrus County High Schools graduating senior women. Applicants must be citizens of the United States, Florida residents, and able to provide proof of acceptance at an accredited U.S. college or university. Applicants must have achieved excellent scholastic standing (3.0 minimum GPA), participated in notable extracurricular activities, and provided significant community service. Emphasis will be placed especially on an applicant’s financial need. It is desirable if the recipient’s planned field of study is in keeping with the objectives of the national DAR organization, which was created in 1890 for historic, educational, and patriotic purposes with an emphasis on service.

**STATE** — Florida State Society Daughters of the American Revolution (FSSDAR) offers scholarships for graduating high school seniors accepted at an accredited college or university in Florida or out of state. Applications must be submitted to the local Fort Cooper Chapter DAR Scholarship Chairman by **May 1, 2026**, for endorsement and forwarding to the FSSDAR Scholarship Committee before its deadline May 15, 2026.

**NATIONAL**— Each year the national DAR organization awards over $250,000 in the fields of political science, history, government, economics, medical and nursing, education and more. A list of scholarships is available online at dar.org each scholarship has different requirements and deadlines. Completed applications are to be sent to the address listed under each scholarship.

**WHO WE ARE:**

DAR is a non-profit, non-political volunteer women's service organization. Founded in 1890 and headquartered in Washington, D.C., DAR is dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history, and securing America's future through better education for children.

DAR members volunteer millions of service hours annually in their local communities including supporting active-duty military personnel and assisting veteran patients, awarding thousands of dollars in scholarships and financial aid each year to students, and supporting schools for underserved children with annual donations exceeding one million dollars.

As one of the most inclusive genealogical societies in the country, DAR boasts 190,000 members in 3,000 chapters across the United States and internationally. Any woman 18 years or older-regardless of race, religion, or ethnic background-who can prove lineal descent from a patriot of the American Revolution, is eligible for membership.

**REQUIREMENTS**

No photographs should be submitted. Use this checklist to ensure you have enclosed all necessary information. Please provide one copy of the following:

1. Fort Cooper DAR Chapter Application and Financial Needs Form. Complete all questions and requests for signature.
2. Copy of applicant’s letter of acceptance from an accredited U.S. college or university.
3. Letter from the applicant to the Scholarship Committee (2-page limit) setting forth applicant’s college course of study and career objectives and stating how her educational and career plans relate to the purpose of the national DAR organization.
4. List of high school and community extra-curricular activities, honors received, scholastic achievements and other significant accomplishments.
5. Two letters of recommendation, none from any relative. Suggest letters from a teacher, minister, or employer.
6. A copy of the applicant’s birth certificate or naturalization papers.
7. A high school transcript indicating current GPA.

## **PERSONAL INFORMATION**

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| ITEM | INFORMATION |
| NAME |  |
| AGE |  |
| ADDRESS |  |
| HOME PHONE |  |
| CELL PHONE |  |
| E-MAIL |  |

Who is the person responsible for the applicant’s support?

## **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

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| ITEM | INFORMATION |
| FATHER’S OCCUPATION |  |
| FATHER’S INCOME |  |
| MOTHER’S OCCUPATION |  |
| MOTHER’S INCOME |  |
| APPLICANTS OCCUPATION |  |
| APPLICANT’S OCCUPATION |  |
| TOTAL FAMILY INCOME |  |
| OTHER INCOME |  |

If **FAFSA Student Summary** is available, please include (screen capture/paste) onto this form – include Student Aid Index (SAI).

Who is the person responsible for the applicant’s support?

Name:

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| **Signature:** | **Date:** |

In reference to the “other income” question, list scholarships, contributions, awards, etcetera here.

Please indicate any relevant information affecting you and your family’s home situation which justifies your financial need.

## **FAMILY INFORMATION**

How many children are in your family, and what are their ages?

How many members of your family are currently in college?

## **EDUCATION INFORMATION**

What high school do you attend?

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| TEST | SCORE |
| ACT |  |
| SAT |  |

What is your GPA (State and District)?

What is your class rank and class size?

## **COLLEGE INFORMATION**

What is the name of the college you plan to attend?

What is the address of the College Student Financial Aid Office?

What is your planned course of study?

What are your estimated college costs?

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| ITEM | ESTIMATED COST |
| TUITION |  |
| ROOM AND BOARD |  |
| TRANSPORTATION |  |
| BOOKS AND SUPPLIES |  |
| TOTAL |  |

## **ATTACHMENTS**

LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE: Please attach a copy of the applicant’s letter of acceptance/email from an accredited U.S. college or university.

LETTER FROM APPLICANT: Please attach a letter from the applicant to the Scholarship Committee of no more than two pages setting forth the applicant’s college course of study and career objectives and stating how her educational and career plans relate to the purpose of the national DAR organization.

LIST OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Please attach a list of high school and community extra-curricular activities, honors received, scholastic achievements and other significant accomplishments

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION: Please attach two letters of recommendation, none from any relative. Suggest letters from a teacher, minister, or employer.

BIRTH CERTIFICATE/NATURALIZATION PAPERS: Please attach a copy of the applicant’s birth certificate or naturalization papers.

TRANSCRIPT: Please attach a high school transcript indicating current GPA.

**Application Requirements:**

* U.S. Citizen and Florida Resident
* 3.0 Minimum GPA on a 4.0 grading system
* Graduating senior woman
* Acceptance letter from an accredited U.S. college or university
* Demonstration of Financial Need (FAFSA Student Summary-Federal Student Aid, Pell Grant)
* Significant school and extracurricular activities
* Significant community service
* Essay containing course of study and career objectives
* Goals consistent with DAR objectives a plus
* Completed an accurate application
* Two letters of recommendation not from family
* Birth Certificate
* Official High School Transcript
* Submission to Scholarship Chairman by March 10, 2026 Deadline

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| **Applicant’s Signature:** | **Date:** |

**☐** I understand that checking-”X” (clicking) this box constitutes a legal signature confirming that I acknowledge and warrant the truthfulness of the information provided in this document.