



WHAT IS YADDA?

YADDA (Youth Against Dating and Domestic Abuse) is a program of the Women's Healing and Empowerment Network (WHEN). WHEN provides opportunities for healing and empowerment to individuals, families, churches, schools, and other organizations through faith-based education, counseling, consultation, a healing center (safe house), resources (such as food and clothing), and other support services in the areas of domestic violence, sexual abuse, and related abuses.

WHEN pioneered the YADDA Scholarship Program in 2021 for the purpose of empowering abused lives and raising awareness in the up-and-coming generation of the problem of domestic violence and dating abuse in the Spokane community. The goals of YADDA are to:

- Help youth explore, understand and celebrate their value as a human being so that they can have and contribute to healthy interpersonal/community interaction.
- Provide opportunities for youth to understand the differences between healthy and toxic relationships.
- Help youth gain access to resources, and be empowered to take a proactive stance towards personal empowerment and abuse free living.
- Develop abuse prevention resources and programs for youth and young adults so that they can learn healthy relationship skills, thus preventing abusive dating, marital, etc. relationships.
- Encourage youth to take personal responsibility for making healthy choices to prevent the inter-generational cycle of domestic violence, sexual abuse, and related abuses.

For more information about WHEN visit our website at whennetwork.com



ANNOUNCES

A scholarship opportunity you!

- **Do you need financial support for your educational pursuits?**
- **Are you creative?**
- **Would you like to engage in helping to find solutions to end dating violence, domestic violence, sexual abuse and related abuse in our communities?**

If you are a student and answered yes to those questions, Women's Healing and Empowerment Network (WHEN) will be awarding a scholarship to you if you meet the following qualifications and chosen for a scholarship:

- You are a senior in high school or a college or vocational school student.
- You are between the ages of 16-25.
- You are a resident of Spokane County.
- You have applied for or are attending a community college, university, or vocational school in Spokane County.
- You submit an essay, art project, story, poem, video, song, or skit or any other creative manner that answers the questions asked in the application.
- You can attend our Scholarship Awards Banquet on Sunday, May 18, 2024 at the Hillyard Baptist Church
- You send in your application by May 1, 2024
- You give us permission to post your picture and entry on our website, FB, newsletter to promote YADDA

The scholarship winners will be announced at the award's banquet on May 18, 2024.



Youth Against Dating and Domestic Abuse (YADDA) Scholarship Program

The Women's Healing and Empowerment Network (WHEN) will be awarding six scholarships to seniors in high school or Spokane County college students to help increase the awareness of domestic and dating violence in the community. Scholarships are as follows:

One **\$2,000** scholarships

Two **\$1,000** scholarship

One **\$500** scholarships

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP:

1. Plan to enroll or be enrolled in a community college, four-year university, or vocational school either on a part-time or full-time basis.
2. Be a resident of Spokane County.
3. Be a high school senior or college student age 16-30.
4. Complete the application and submit an essay, art project, story, poem, video, skit, song or creative project that answers the questions included in the application.
5. Submit two letters of recommendation: one from a teacher, professor, or mentor; and the other from a community or religious leader.
6. Participate in some form of community service over the past year

All applicants are required to attend the award's dinner on Sunday, May 18, from 4-6 pm in order to win unless you have a specific scheduled school-related conflict and can provide evidence of the schedule conflict).

This scholarship award program is open to all those who fit the qualifications above regardless of race, gender identity, religious affiliation, etc.

Applications must be received in their entirety by May 1, 2024.

APPLICATION REVIEW

Applications will be reviewed by a panel of judges and scholarships will be selected.

- Seventy-five (75) percent of the score will be based upon the entry,
- Twenty-five (25) percent will be based on the overall application (GPA, letters of recommendation, and college plans).

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

- Scholarships will be announced at the dinner on Saturday May 18, 2024, from 4-6 pm at the Hillyard Baptist Church.
- Applicants should be prepared to present their entry at the dinner (read the essay or story, sing the song, act the skit, introduce the video, or describe the artwork) if their work is selected.
- Scholarship recipients will be posted on the WHEN website and Facebook pages. Scholarships will be given directly to the educational institution that the recipient is/will be attending.



YADDA Scholarship Program Application 2024

Please submit your answers on another piece of paper. Typing is preferred for all writing. Include your last name and a page number on the upper right hand corner of all pages.

Name: _____ DOB: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

1. What is your GPA? _____ (Please include a copy of your most recent transcript)
If you are a senior in high school, where are you applying to continue your education? (Please provide a copy of an application, acceptance letter, or proof of class registration for the institution you will be attending)
2. If you are already enrolled in a college, university, or vocational school, where do you attend? (Please include a copy of your most recent transcript).
3. What degree/vocation do you intend to pursue?
4. What are your goals after you have completed your education?
5. What community service have you participated in within the past year? Please describe.
6. Please answer **A, B or C below** by creating an essay, art project, story, poem, video, skit, song, etc. (If you perform a song or skit, or make a video, please include a written score or script. If you make an art project, discuss your process and how what you have created answer the questions)

(A) What are signs of an abusive dating relationship? How can you avoid getting into a bad relationship? How can people be helped who are in a toxic dating relationship? In contrast, what are some characteristics of a healthy relationship? How can you encourage yourself and others to have healthy relationships?

(B) What is domestic violence? What are signs that domestic violence is taking place in a home? How can we help people who are victims of domestic violence or sexual abuse? In contrast, what does a healthy relationship look like? How can we encourage healthy behaviors in ourselves and others?

Scholarship Review

BEFORE YOU SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION, HAVE YOU:

___ Completed the first page of the application?

___ Answered all questions to the best of your ability?

___ Included a copy of your most recent transcript?

___ Included 2 letters of recommendation?

___ Included your college application, letter of acceptance, or college transcript (if applicable)?

___ Marked the date, May 21, 2023, on your calendar to be available for the awards dinner?

When complete, please submit your application to Women's Healing and Empowerment Network by May 1, 2024.

Applications may be submitted either by US Mail or scanned or submitted by email. Arrangements can be made in person for delivery of artwork or video presentations if mail/email are not sufficient means of submission.

Please contact Cierra Schreven, YADDA Coordinator
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