



MARIA I. VILLANUEVA SCHOLARSHIP

State of Texas Kidney Foundation

ABOUT

The ***Maria I. Villanueva Scholarship*** was established in 2014 through the Texas Kidney Foundation to provide financial assistance for college students who currently undergo dialysis treatment and are on the kidney transplant waiting list. Mrs. Villanueva suffered sudden kidney failure in 1990 and was on dialysis for over 7 years while working as a medical technician at Baptist Memorial Hospital. Although financial hardships hit her family through those years, she always made her son's education a priority. Maria received her kidney transplant in the fall of 1999. The scholarship is awarded annually in the summer and applicable to one year or two semesters. Previous recipients may reapply the following spring.

CRITERIA

- 1** Application is open to dialysis patients, transplant recipients, living donors or the children of dialysis patients, or transplant recipients
- 2** Residents must be residents of Bexar County, Texas
- 3** Students must be enrolling in a postsecondary education school
- 4** Each applicant must provide at least one letter of recommendation
- 5** Applicants must provide a 300 word essay emphasizing how kidney disease has affected them, their career goals, financial need and how all of this has shaped their career.

INSTRUCTIONS

Complete and submit the application available online at txkidney.org

Deadline to apply is June 1.

Submit Application to:

**Maria I. Villanueva
Texas Kidney Foundation
45 NE Loop 410, Suite 255
San Antonio, TX 78216**

Supporting Documents Include:

Essay (300 Words)

Letter of Recommendation

The scholarship panel will review all applications and essays this summer, and the scholarship award winners will be announced in July.