

Dear Scholarship Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the Hillis and Elizabeth Howie Scholarship Program. **Please read the following carefully.** In honor of our founders, each year we offer a number of scholarships to trekkers who exemplify the qualities, attributes and interests that were an integral part of our founding principles. We seek applicants who embody a spirit of exploration, curiosity and discovery and are interested in pursuing a life that makes a difference in our world and our environment. Please take your time with this application. Be thorough, and honest. Please answer all areas to the best of your ability.

We offer financial assistance for all of our Treks. We ask that families provide as much of the cost as they are able to. Cottonwood Gulch will make every effort to support applicants. The amount of each scholarship depends on financial need, the cost of the applicant's expedition program, and the overall number of scholarship applicants. Scholarship awards can range from 5% to a 90% of the total tuition.

All scholarship awards take precedence over other Trek discounts for Alumni, Siblings, and Early Registration. Please figure an amount needed based on the full tuition price of each expedition. We encourage applicants to request only the financial aid required as you may be taking funds from others applicants.

**In order to apply for financial aid, applicants must complete the Trek application online AND submit a completed scholarship application to:**

enrollment@cottonwoodgulch.org

Or

Cottonwood Gulch Expeditions

9223 4<sup>th</sup> St NW

Albuquerque, NM 87114

Some of our scholarship funding is directed towards specific Treks for specific demographics. In order to help our scholarship committee make the most informed decisions, **please highlight your specific interests in your chosen expedition(s).**

The Scholarship Committee of Cottonwood Gulch Expeditions will evaluate requests for financial aid and notify applicants as soon as possible. Scholarships are awarded on a rolling basis throughout the spring each year.

All financial aid applications will be handled in strict confidence. No expedition participants or staff will know of the financial aid scholarship.

Please call us at (505) 248-0563 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

*Tori Baker-White*

Tori Baker-White  
Acting Director



Cottonwood Gulch Foundation  
*Small Group Expeditions in the Southwest since 1926*

## Hillis & Elizabeth Howie Scholarship Application

This application is for scholarship in the:

Outfit    Wild Country Trek    Turquoise Trail    Prairie Trek    Art & Music Trek  
 Mountain Desert Trek    Paleontology Trek    Family Trek    Adventure Conservation Trek

For the amount of: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Employed by: \_\_\_\_\_ Years at firm: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Annual Income: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Employed by: \_\_\_\_\_ Years at firm: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Annual Income: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of dependents in household: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent's Statement.** On a separate piece of paper please describe why you are applying for financial aid and any other factors you would like to be considered by the Scholarship Committee. Additional factors may include academic performance, examples of leadership, or any other factors that distinguish your child.

**Applicant's Statement.** On a separate piece of paper please describe how you would benefit from a summer at Cottonwood Gulch, and why you are a good scholarship candidate. Things to consider: your goals and ambitions for the summer, personal strengths and interests, the trek's value to you.

**We declare the information reported on this form, to the best of our knowledge and belief, to be true, correct, and complete.**

Parent/Guardian's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_