

**Raritan Valley Community College Foundation
The Food Bank of Somerset County
Second Career Scholarship
Application**

The Second Career Scholarship Fund was established in 2011 by the Food Bank Network of Somerset County to offer a second chance to individuals seeking to acquire new skills and increase their ability to find employment in a second career and succeed in today's competitive economic market. The Food Bank has a long-standing commitment to provide opportunities that enable individuals to obtain gainful employment and become self-sufficient, and they recognize that education is the pathway to achieve these goals.

Applicants for the Second Career Scholarship must be residents of Somerset County and U.S. citizens (or green card holders), high school graduates of an accredited secondary school, and enrolled in a certificate program, and have satisfactory ability to read and write English. Students also need to demonstrate financial need. The scholarships may be used for tuition and fees and are available for the following certificate programs:

Advanced Manufacturing * Certified Nurse Aid (CNA) * Dental Radiology

EKG Technician National * Pharmacy Technician * Phlebotomy/Lab Asst. * Solar Panel Installation

A selection committee composed of representatives of the Food Bank Network of Somerset County will review the applications, which include an essay, and make their decision based on the information provided.

I. Applicant Information

Name _____ G # _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Phone Number _____ Email _____

II. Determination of Financial Need: A copy of the LAST PAGE of the FAFSA form, which is the Eligible Income Contribution page, must be included with your application. Please fill out the FAFSA form at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

Are you receiving or planning on receiving any other financial assistance? If yes, please explain: _____

III. Essay Question:

Please describe your work history, why you decided to take this program, and what you hope to accomplish in your second career. Also include reasons why you believe you qualify for this scholarship. Essays should be between 250 and 300 words.

IV. Certification:

I certify that the information provided in this report is accurate and correct to the best of my knowledge, and I authorize Raritan Valley Community College to release my academic, financial, or other necessary information requested by a donor. In addition, I agree that RVCC shall have the right to use and release my name if I am awarded a scholarship at RVCC in order to publicize or to otherwise promote the college to any local or national media or in any college publications and at any college events.

Signature _____ Date _____

Return this application, your essay and the FAFSA's Eligible Income Contribution page (the last page of the FAFSA form) to:

Raritan Valley Community College Foundation

Attn: Janet Dunne

P.O. Box 3300

Somerville, NJ 08876

For more information, go to www.raritanval.edu/scholarships