

American Pilgrims

2012 *Hospitalero(a)* Training Scholarship

Description & Guidelines



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Purpose

The goal of the American Pilgrims *Hospitalero(a)* Training Scholarship is to make financially feasible for members of American Pilgrims participation in one of the organization's *hospitalero(a)* trainings. Scholarship recipients will have their registration fees for the March 27 – 29, 2012 *hospitalero(a)* training in Winter Park, Florida paid by American Pilgrims. After participating in the training, members will be ready to volunteer in an *albergue* on the Camino de Santiago thus contributing to the pilgrimage's support and development.

Grant Criteria

The selection criteria for the grants include the following considerations.

- Scholarship applicants must be current members of American Pilgrims on the Camino and must have walked or biked on the Camino de Santiago to be eligible.
- Financial need is a requirement for the scholarship so the applicant is required to address financial need in his/her application. (See the financial need section in the application.)
- Scholarship applicants will be required to address their specific plans, including planned timeline, for volunteering in an *albergue* in their application.

Scholarship Application Submission

The scholarship application is on the next page. Applications must be submitted electronically to grants@americanpilgrims.com by **January 21, 2012**. Applications (including the essay) must be either Microsoft Word or PDF files. (Non-electronic submission is possible if requested.)

Scholarship Application Review

Scholarship applications will be reviewed by a committee composed of American Pilgrims Board members and members at large. The committee will make a recommendation to the Board on which scholarship applicants to select; final selection will be made by the Board. The scholarship selection committee will attempt to have a diverse (across gender, ethnicity, geographic location, age, etc.) group of scholarship recipients.

Funding and Post-Volunteer Responsibilities

Notification of funding will be made no later than February 11, 2012.

Questions & Inquiries

If you have questions or would like additional information, please send them via e-mail to grants@americanpilgrims.com.

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Applicant Information

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Member of American Pilgrims on the Camino since (year): _____

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Previous Camino Experience (A requirement to receive the scholarship)

List the details of up to 2 previous Camino experiences:

Statement of Financial Need

Briefly describe the financial need that makes it difficult for you to afford registration fees for the *hospitalero(a)* training in Winter Park, Florida in March 2012; please limit your response on financial need to this textbox.

Statement of Purpose

On a separate sheet(s), please write an essay addressing the following:

- Previous Camino de Santiago experience including how the Camino has influenced your life.
- Any experiences/interactions with an *hospitalero(a)* that made an impression on you.
- Describe why you would like to serve as an *hospitalero(a)* and how your volunteer work as an *hospitalero(a)* will allow you to “give back” to the Camino. Also describe how you believe that volunteering as an *hospitalero(a)* will help you to grow and develop as a person.
- Address in as much detail as possible when you envision serving as an *hospitalero(a)*; the more specific you can be with your timeline and plans, the better.

Your essay should be double-spaced, written in 12-point font and cannot exceed 1,000 words. The document that you submit needs to be in Microsoft Word or PDF format.

Submission of Application

This application (in Microsoft Word or PDF format) and the essay must be submitted electronically as attached files to grants@americanpilgrims.com by **January 21, 2012**.