



WILLIAM J. "BILLY" GOAZIOU SCHOLARSHIPS

Honoring Billy Goaziou

William J. "Billy" Goaziou was involved in soccer as a coach and an administrator for more than 25 years. He served as Treasurer of US Youth Soccer and the Florida Youth Soccer Association, as well as Chair of the US Youth Soccer Budget and Olympic Development Program Committees. Bill also served as U.S. Soccer Federation's Treasurer in 1994, and was re-elected three times (1998, 2000 and 2004). Beyond the soccer world, Goaziou served his country in the U.S. Marine Corps.

"Billy was a dedicated servant to soccer for more than a quarter century, and his experience, skill and commitment will be sorely missed," said former President of the U.S. Soccer Federation, Sunil Gulati.

In 2006, US Youth Soccer renamed their 14-and-Under Boys US Youth Soccer National Championship Cup in honor of Billy Goaziou. To further honor Billy, the US Youth Soccer Foundation has established scholarships in recognition of all that he has done for US Youth Soccer and soccer in the United States.

In 2021, the US Youth Soccer Foundation will award two, one-year William J. "Billy" Goaziou scholarships of \$1,250 each. Recipients are both male and female students, planning to attend a post secondary educational institution (PSEI) beginning in the fall of 2021, and whom have not previously been admitted as a student of any PSEI. Selection of the scholarship recipients will be based on each individual's commitment to **community service** and **giving back to the game**. Participation in soccer at the collegiate level is not a prerequisite. Scholarships will be paid directly to each individual PSEI.

Eligibility

- Seniors in high school when the application is submitted. Those students who are currently enrolled in a PSEI (or the equivalent) as a senior in high school will not be excluded from consideration.
- Participation (as a player) in a US Youth Soccer program during the applicant's junior or senior year.
- Minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 in a college prep curriculum.
- Demonstrated active service to his or her community and a strong desire to give back to the game of soccer.

Application Procedure

An applicant must include all of the following:

1. A completed application form (attached)
2. A high school **transcript** through the last semester completed prior to **April 7, 2021**
3. A personal, typed **essay** (500 words or less) describing how soccer has personally affected their life or the development of their character
4. **Two letters of recommendation** from any of the following: teacher, principal, coach, counselor, or community leader. A phone number and email address of the person(s) completing the letters of recommendation should be included in the letter(s).

Completed applications must be **postmarked no later than April 16, 2021**. All materials submitted with the application will not be returned. Scholarship recipients, will be notified by e-mail on or before **April 28, 2021**, and will be publicly announced upon acceptance.



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Post Secondary Scholarship for which you are applying:

Female

Male

This is a protected document. Responses should be typed in each of the grey fields below (not hand written). To type in each grey field, simply tab through or double click on each field.

<p>Name: <u>Type full name. Start with your 1st name</u></p> <p>Address: <u>123 ABC Street, Apt D</u></p> <p>City/State: <u>City, STATE</u> Zip: <u>22222</u> Phone: <u>555-555-5555</u></p> <p>Parents/Guardian Name: <u>Type full name. Start with your first name.</u></p> <p>High School: <u>Name of High School</u> Grade Point Average: <u>3.0</u></p> <p>Address of High School: <u>456 Main Street, City, State 22222</u></p> <p>Do you intend to play soccer in College or PSEI? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Name and address of College or PSEI you plan to attend:</p> <p><u>USA University, 789 College Blvd, City, State 55555</u></p>

Soccer Experience

(club team, high school team, US Youth Soccer state/regional programs, number of years played, honors/awards, leadership examples. Use separate sheet if needed)

High School and Community Activities *(clubs, after-school activities, community service activities. Use separate sheet if needed)*

Academic Honors or Awards *(Use separate sheet if needed)*

The application, personal essay, letter(s) of recommendation, and transcript must be complete and postmarked by April 16, 2021 in only one of two format options:

- 1) Postmarked to the following address:

US Youth Soccer Foundation
c/o William J. "Billy" Goaziou Scholarships
9220 World Cup Way
Frisco, Texas 75033

- 2) Emailed to tgraze@usyouthsoccer.org. Insert **William J. "Billy" Goaziou Scholarships** in the subject line of the email.