

## **Scholarship Recommendation Form**

<u>Instructions:</u> Thank you for being a recommender for the PCAFPD scholarship. Recommendations are used as part of the selection process. Please type your information below and provide a digital copy to the applicant for submission. Hand written responses will not be accepted.

Recommender Information:

Name: Robert Pangilinan Tayag Relationship to applicant: Constituent

Organization/School: Office of the Barangay Captain

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**Applicant Information:** 

Name: Shaira Bucu De Castro

Current School: Don Honorio Ventura State University (DHVSU)

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** 

To Whom It May Concern,

In connection with the request of Shaira Bucu De Castro, a dedicated student of Don Honorio Ventura State University (DHVSU) and a resident of Barangay Santa Monica, I am submitting the following facts and details for your perusal and consideration.

Shaira comes from a low-income family in our barangay. Her family faces financial challenges, and as such, she is eligible to receive benefits from both government and private agencies that support students in need. Our barangay records explicitly confirm that she requires financial assistance to support her daily needs and to help defray her educational expenses at DHVSU. Despite these economic hardships, Shaira has demonstrated remarkable perseverance and resilience in her academic journey.

Based on official records, Shaira stands out not only for her academic achievements but also for her deep commitment to her community. Her dedication, diligence, and exceptional work ethic have made a lasting impact on her peers and the youth in our barangay. She has been an active volunteer in numerous community projects, especially during critical times like the pandemic. Her contributions include:

Pandemic Volunteer Work: During the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, Shaira selflessly volunteered to ensure that our barangay had adequate support for the community. She played an instrumental role in organizing and conducting vaccine orientation sessions, making sure that residents were well-informed and prepared for vaccination drives. Her calm and composed approach during such challenging times was greatly appreciated.

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Advocate for Safe Sex Education: Shaira has taken the initiative to speak to teenagers and youth about the importance of safe sex. Through her efforts, she has helped educate her peers on the importance of sexual health, aiming to reduce teenage pregnancies and sexually transmitted infections within the barangay.

Mental Health Advocate: Shaira is also an advocate for mental health awareness, a cause she has championed across different age groups in the barangay. She actively participated in workshops and talks, encouraging community members to seek help when needed and emphasizing the importance of mental well-being.

Environmental and Community Clean-up Volunteer: Every Saturday, Shaira is a constant presence in the barangay's community clean-up drives, showing her commitment to environmental sustainability. Her consistent participation demonstrates her passion for keeping our community clean and safe.

Leadership in Youth Programs: As a participant in the "Linggo ng Kabataan" programs hosted by the Sangguniang Kabataan (SK), Shaira has taken a leadership role in engaging the youth to participate in government-organized activities. These programs aim to nurture the talents of the youth and enhance their involvement in the community. Shaira's proactive role has not only inspired her peers but has also helped promote the barangay's youth initiatives.

Religious Involvement: Shaira also serves as a volunteer in our local church, assisting in various religious activities every Saturday and Sunday. Her dedication to her faith and her commitment to service is evident in her regular participation.

Anti-Drug Symposium Participant: Shaira participated in an anti-drug symposium, where she helped raise awareness about the dangers of drug use and the importance of making informed, healthy choices. Her involvement in this important cause shows her commitment to promoting a safer and healthier community, especially among the youth.

Her academic achievements are equally remarkable. Shaira consistently excels in her studies and actively participates in several school-based organizations, demonstrating a well-rounded approach to education. At DHVSU, she is an exemplary student, and her achievements include membership and leadership in the following:

- 1. Junior Social Workers Association of the Philippines (JSWAP) Shaira is an active member of this organization, where she continues to hone her leadership and advocacy skills in the field of social work.
- 2. Candidate for Second-Year Representative, DHVSU Social Work Department Shaira has earned the respect and trust of her peers, leading her to be considered for the position of second-year representative. This role reflects her capability to lead and inspire others.
- 3. Member of the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Shaira's involvement in this committee shows her concern for environmental issues both within the university and the broader community. Her active participation in environmental programs and clean-up efforts makes her a strong advocate for sustainability.
- 4. Member of the Committee on Arts and Culture As a member of this committee, Shaira helps organize cultural events that highlight and promote the talents of DHVSU students. Her creativity and leadership in this area reflect her diverse skills and her ability to contribute meaningfully to the university's cultural programs.

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- 5. DHVSU Student Regent Serving as a student regent is an honor that signifies Shaira's commitment to representing the student body and addressing their concerns. This position shows her leadership capabilities and her dedication to the welfare of her fellow students.
- 6. Participant, DHVSU Campus Revolution Shaira is actively involved in this online platform that assists students in adjusting to university life. Her concern for the well-being of others is evident in her role here, where she provides guidance and support to her peers.
- 7. Registrar's Assistant Shaira manages to balance her academic responsibilities with part-time work at the university registrar's office. Her ability to manage her time and commitments effectively is admirable and a true reflection of her work ethic.

Shaira's academic success has been recognized since her early school years. She has received numerous awards in various fields at both district and regional levels, earning recognition and pride for our barangay. These achievements reflect not only her intelligence but also her persistence and determination.

Her loyalty, unquestioned integrity, and selfless contributions to the community reflect a character molded by hard work, patience, and love for others. With her long-standing experience in academic and community-based projects, Shaira has developed into a worthy individual who continuously inspires and positively impacts our barangay. We, the barangay officials, see her as a future leader, and we are proud to recommend her as a role model to all citizens.

Given all the foregoing, Shaira Bucu De Castro is highly recommended for any scholarship program provided by your organization. Her academic dedication, leadership, and commitment to serving her community make her a deserving and outstanding candidate.

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Thank you for your kind consideration.

Sincerely,

[Robert Tayag]

[Barangay Captain]

[Barangay Santa Monica]

**ROBERT P. TAYAG** 

Barangay Captain

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