

## **Claudio Romero Organization for Minority Empowerment (C.R.O.M.E.)**

### **Empowering Your Future Through Education**

**Who We Are & Our Mission:** The Claudio Romero Organization for Minority Empowerment (C.R.O.M.E.) is a nonprofit dedicated to supporting the educational and career aspirations of high school students. Inspired by Claudio Romero's vision, we provide scholarships, mentorship, and resources, focusing on STEM fields and empowering students to achieve excellence.

**Scholarship Opportunities:** C.R.O.M.E. offers scholarships to students demonstrating academic success, leadership, and community involvement. Our scholarships aim to support your educational journey and reduce the financial burden of higher education.

**Award: \$2,000- \$4,000**

**Deadline:** April 7<sup>th</sup> 2024

Apply online at [www.cromenonprofit.org/scholarship-application](http://www.cromenonprofit.org/scholarship-application) or email the following to [cromenonprofit@gmail.com](mailto:cromenonprofit@gmail.com):

- Name and Contact Number, Email Address, Home Address, City of Residence
- Are you related to or know anyone at C.R.O.M.E.? (yes/no)
- Do you Identify as a Minority\*? (see our definition on next page)
- Accepted Colleges
- Current High School
- Anticipated College and Major
- GPA (Unweighted/Weighted) and entire high school transcript.
- Honors and Awards
- Long-term Educational and Career Objectives
- Community Service and Leadership Roles
- Financial Need Statement: explain how scholarship would help (Max 250 words)

### **Essay Requirement**

Include an essay (min. 500 words) responding to at least ONE of the following prompts:

#### **1. Global Issues and Personal Responsibility**

- Choose a global issue that resonates with you deeply (such as climate change, human rights, or economic inequality). Describe how this issue has influenced your worldview and discuss the role you believe individuals or communities can play in addressing it.

#### **2. Purposeful Living Amidst Life's Unpredictability**

- Share a personal experience where you were confronted with the unpredictability of life. How has this shaped your perspective on living with purpose, facing adversity, and striving for success in your academic and career endeavors?

**3. Real-Life Lessons and Perseverance**

- Discuss real-life lessons that have motivated you to keep striving for a brighter future. How do these experiences reinforce the idea that life is beautiful and that your attitude and actions can shape your reality?

**4. Personal Triumphs in the Face of Adversity**

- Describe a significant challenge or adversity you have faced as a minority student. How did this experience impact your life and shape your approach to achieving your educational and career goals?

**5. Creating a Legacy of Positive Change**

- Think about the legacy you wish to leave in the world. Describe how you envision your future endeavors contributing to this legacy. What kind of impact do you hope to have, and what steps will you take to ensure your actions lead to meaningful change?

Email your application and essay to [cromenonprofit@gmail.com](mailto:cromenonprofit@gmail.com) with your name and 'Scholarship' in the subject line.

**Contact Us**

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**\*Our Inclusive Definition of "Minority"**

At the Claudio Romero Organization for Minority Empowerment (C.R.O.M.E.), we recognize that "minority" encompasses a wide range of unique experiences and backgrounds. Our scholarship is open to students who may face challenges due to any aspect of their identity or circumstances. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Ethnic and racial backgrounds
- Socioeconomic status
- First-generation college students
- Gender identity and sexual orientation
- Disabilities or learning differences

Our goal is to support a diverse range of students who, in their own ways, contribute to the richness of perspectives in education and society. If you believe your experience or background aligns with this inclusive vision, we encourage you to apply. CROME is committed to helping you achieve your educational and career aspirations, regardless of the obstacles you may have faced.

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