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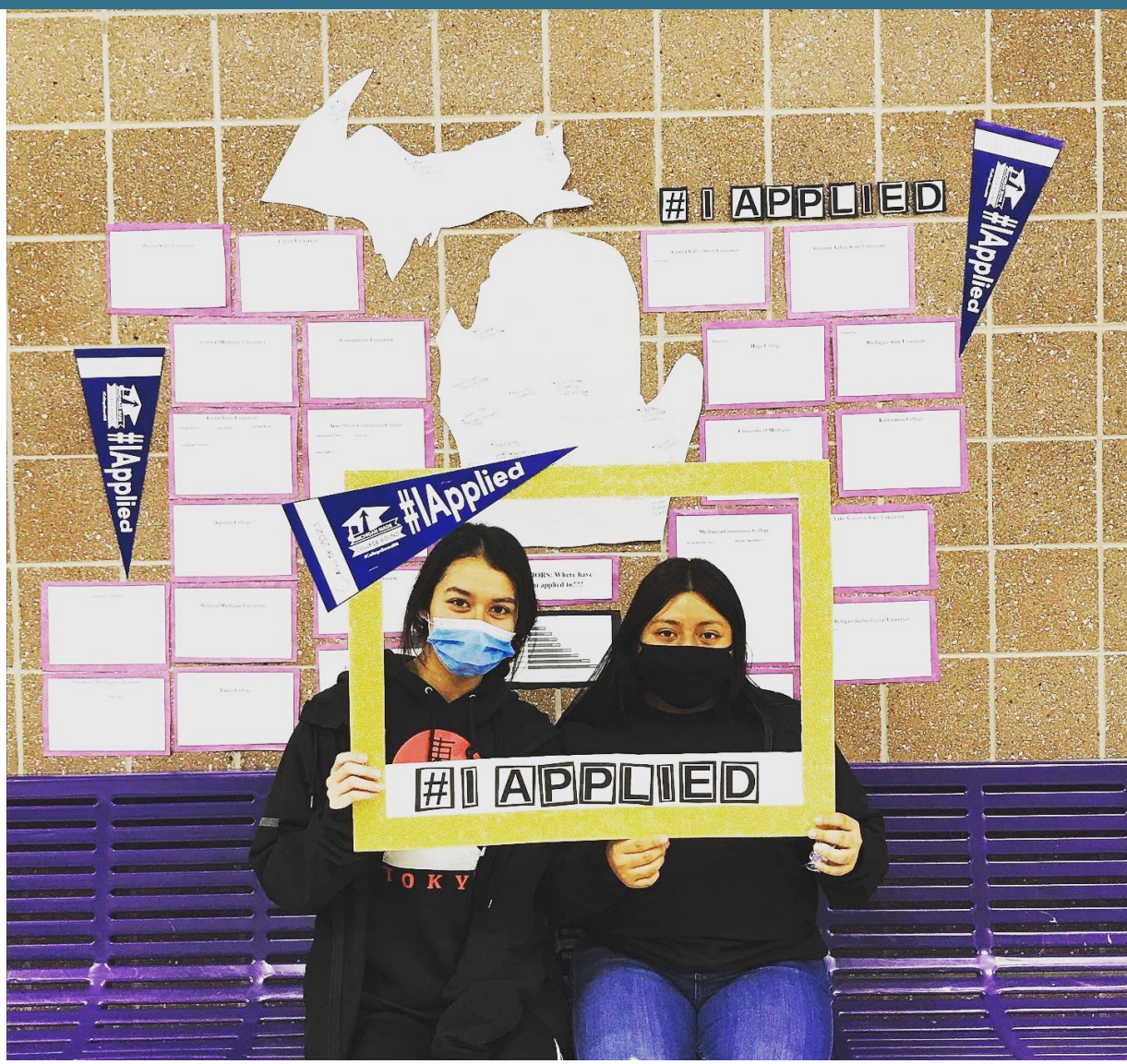

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If you're a high school or homeschooled senior, current college student, or early college senior, the Community Foundation for Oceana County (CFOC) may have a scholarship for you. We manage the largest scholarship program in our area, with nearly $240,000 committed to 157 students in 2021.

The Foundation's scholarship application opens October 15th. To be eligible, you must be a resident of Oceana County and a graduate of an Oceana public or private school. Read through the instructions below to start your application!

Your application submits you to 43 different scholarship opportunities! We will determine which scholarships you will are eligible for. **Our scholarships are available for everyone to apply,** regardless of your career path. While many scholarships are for specific types of students, colleges, or fields of study, the Foundation's process is a "general application." Each individual application is reviewed and matched with the best-fitting scholarship source. If you have questions about eligibility, please contact us.

Our scholarships are awarded once per year. Scholarship recipients will be notified of their award in April and will be recognized at their high school awards ceremonies. Current college students will be notified by mail in May.

A complete scholarship application has three parts:

1. Submit the online application
2. Request a transcript be sent to the Foundation
3. Provide a Student Aid Report (if you are able to complete your FAFSA).

This handout will provide you with the detailed information for navigating our online scholarship application process.

Discuss your scholarship application with the Foundation today, by calling 231-869-3377. You can e-mail Program Officer Danielle Siegel at danielle@oceanafoundation.org.

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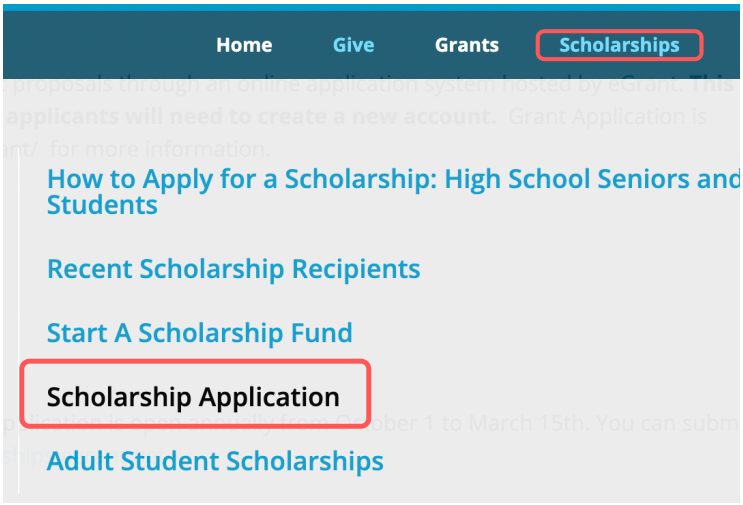
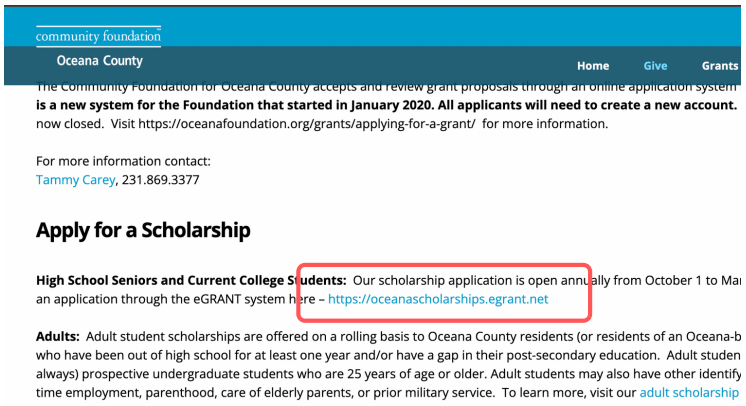
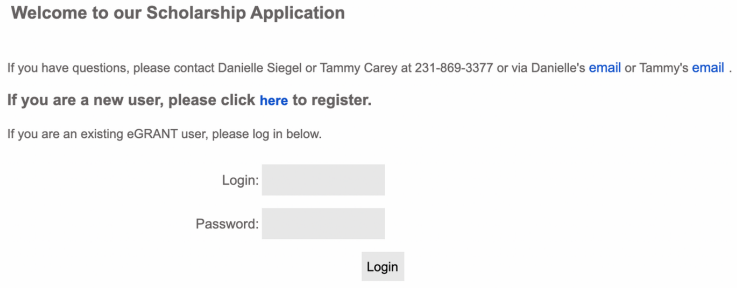
1. Start at **oceanafoundation.org**. Click on *Scholarship Application* under the Scholarships *tab.*

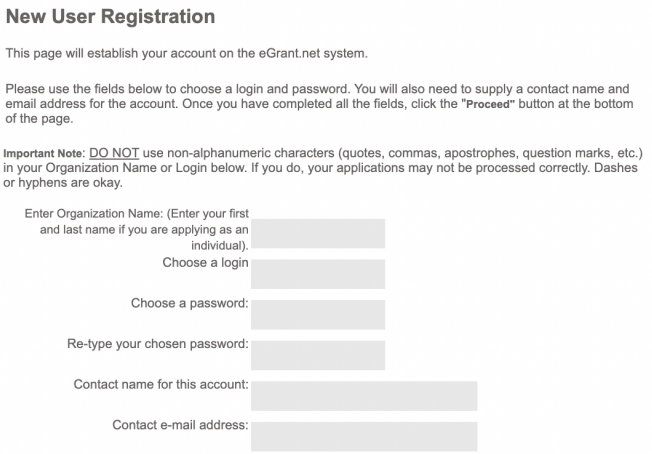


2. Scroll down the page to enter the eGrant portal under *Apply for Scholarship* and click on the link provided. This is where you will submit your application. It will be under our '



3. In eGrant, create a new user profile. You will enter your name as the organization, choose a username & password, and provide an email for the account. **Click Proceed** to continue to the scholarship site.





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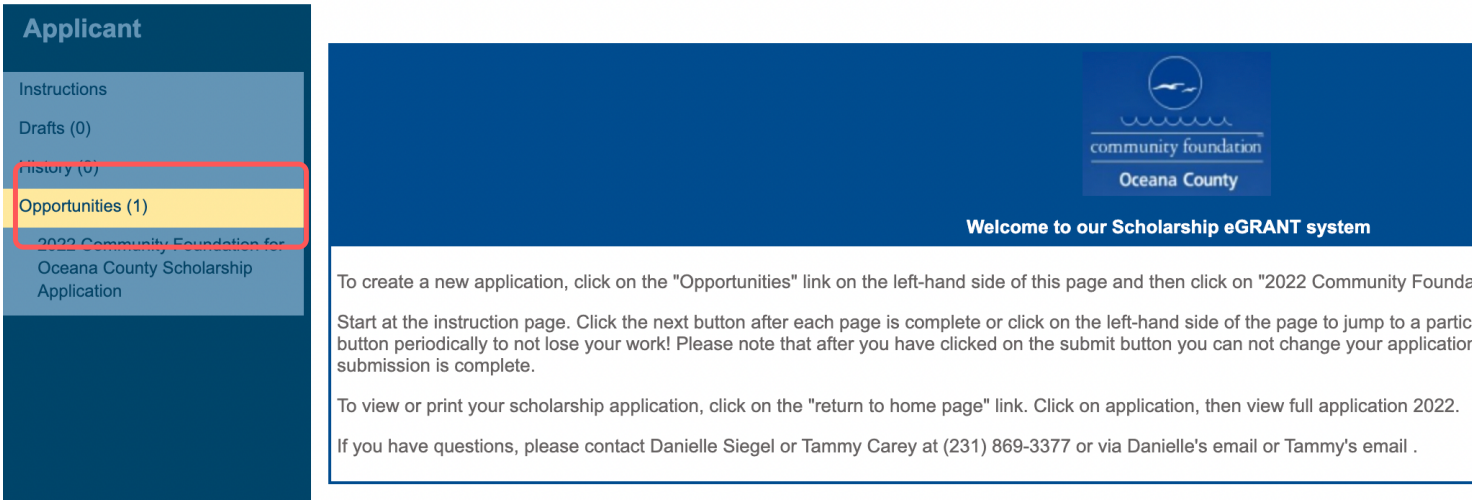
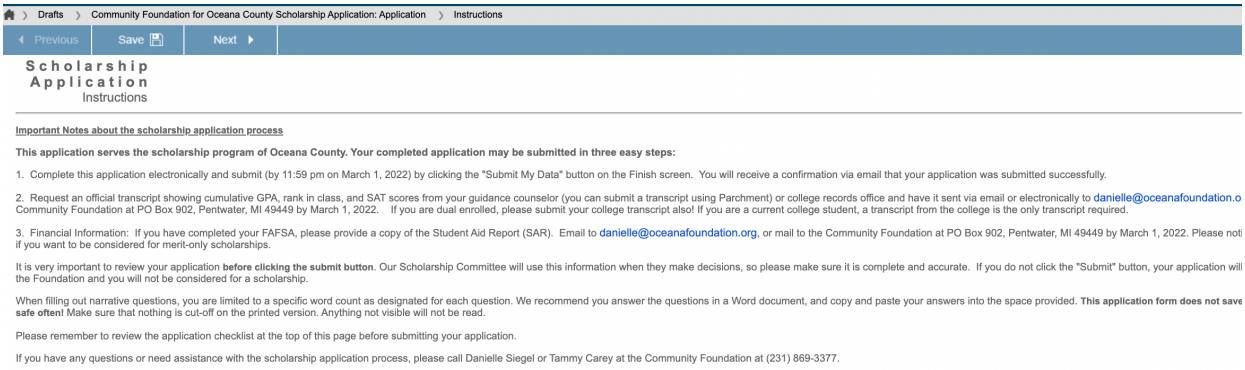
4. After registering, it will take you to the eGrant portal. To create a new application, click on the "Opportunities" link on the left-hand side of this page and then click on "2022 Community Foundation for Oceana County Scholarship Application."



5. Read through the scholarship instructions detailed on the next page & hit **next** to continue.



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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
APPLICANT DETAILS

6. The first step is to provide your contact information, **make sure that the E-Mail provided is not your school E-mail.** We will use this to contact you after you graduate!
Save your information before hitting next. The website **does-not** save your information automatically.

First Name: * Middle Initial: Last Name: *

Home address: *

Address (Cont'd.)

City: * State: * Zip: *

County: Oceana

Email: * Parent's Email:

(Do not provide school email.)

Phone at your permanent residence: (xxx-xxx-xxxx) *

Last 4 of Social Security Number: (xxxx)

Student Cell Phone:

Gender Identity: *

Date of Birth: 2-digit format (xx/xx/xx) *

Are you a US citizen or permanent resident? * How would you describe yourself? *

(Does not impact scholarship eligibility.)

Number of people in the household, including applicant: *

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Names: *

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EDUCATION

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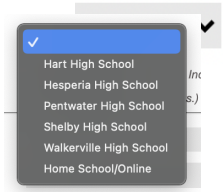
7. **If you are a high school senior**, enter the school that you are currently attending, and if you a part of ASM Tech or Promesa programs. If you are a current college student, skip this part!

What high school do you currently attend?
Only fill this out if you are a high school senior.



☐ ASM Tech Early College ☐ Promesa Program

8. **All students need to fill this section out!**

School where you will use this scholarship: Status: Applied

School where you will use this scholarship (second choice): Status: Applied

I plan to attend school as a full time or part time student: *

Field of study (If you are undecided we recommend you select a career you may be interested in): Choose One *

Please list anticipated profession/career:

2-yr or 4-yr program? *

Are you pursuing a vocational/technical degree or certificate?
(i.e., cosmetology, auto mechanic, welding tech, x-ray tech) * If so, what field?

Are you an adult/returning student? An adult/returning student is a student who didn't immediately enter into college after graduating from high school, or who took a break from education and is now returning to complete a degree or certificate program. *

Most recent cumulative grade point average on 4-point scale (unweighted) as shown on most recent transcript (this will be verified):

Highest composite SAT score:

(high school students only)

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EDUCATION/FINANCES

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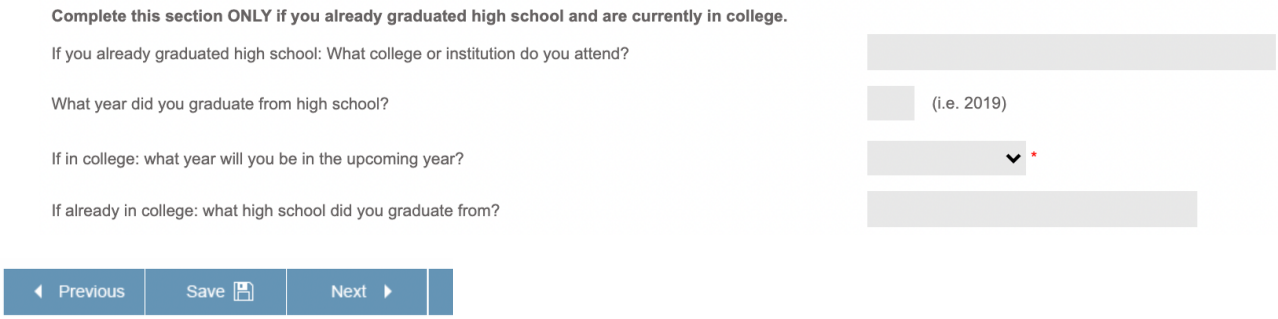
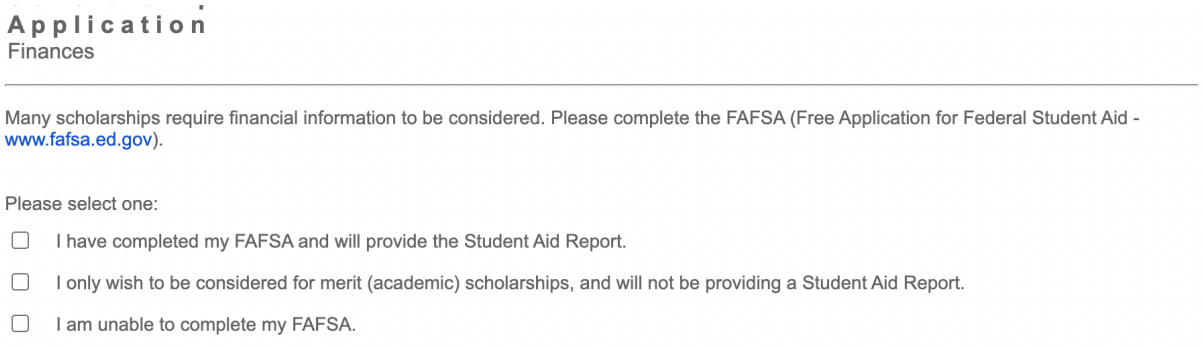
9. **<u>Only</u> if you already graduated high school**, fill out the following section on your current institution and high school graduation year. If you are still in high school, skip to the next page!



10. Click the option relating to FAFSA completion that applies to you. Let your guidance counselor know if you need assistance completing the FAFSA.



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ACTIVITIES

11. List school, extracurricular, community, and religious activities in which you have participated during the past 3 years, including such activities as job shadowing or internship duties, clubs, debate, athletic activities, fine arts, volunteer work, youth programs, music, scouting etc..

Activity Name	Years Involved	Awards/Honors/Offices Held

For additional consideration, you may list up to four additional activities in the space below:

12. Select up to five of the following criteria that apply to you.

1.
2.
3.
4.
5.

- Current member of Oceana County 4-H Youth Program.
- Have you or someone in your immediate family (siblings, parents, step-parents) received a cancer diagnosis?
- Child, step-child, or grandchild of full-time active employee of Peterson Farms?
- Participation in any high school athletics.
- Participation in any high school arts activity (band, choir, drama, art, etc.).

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EMPLOYMENT/NARRATIVES

13. Please enter your employment history below, chronologically starting with your most recent. **Do not include volunteer activities.**

Employer	Job Title	Start/End (MM/YY)	Hrs per Week

14. There are 4 narratives to complete. **Please limit your response to the line limits provided and carefully proofread your answers.** We suggest to write out your narratives in a Word or Google document to ensure that there are no errors in your writing.

1) Explain your future education and career goals and how you have prepared to achieve those goals.
Your response is limited to 1200 characters.

2) What teacher, opportunity, or activity that you've been involved in has influenced your goals?
Your response is limited to 600 characters.

3) Tell us about something you did that helped your community.
Your response is limited to 600 characters.

4) Please explain any additional factors you believe should be considered by the Scholarship Committee in reviewing your
Your response is limited to 400 characters.

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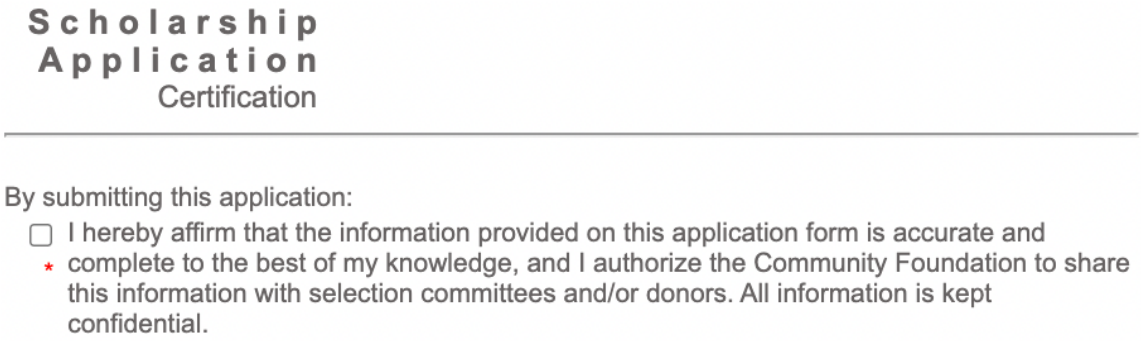
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CERTIFICATION/SUBMISSION

15. When you have completed the application you will be prompted to agree to the information being submitted.



Once you have submitted your application by clicking on the submit button, you can not edit it. If you need to make changes, please contact danielle@oceanafoundation.org.

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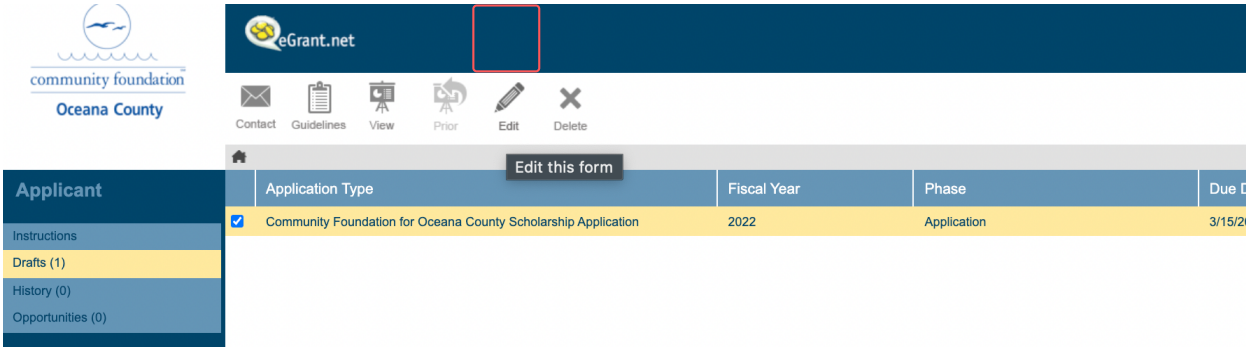
*****To edit this form at any time, before it is submitted, click on the Drafts option to the far left, select your application and click Edit*****



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