

Workshop Scholarship Form

We appreciate your excitement about learning Nonviolent Communication and your commitment to creating peace and compassion in the world, and would like to support you in this journey as much as possible. It is the hope of [ORGANIZATION NAME] to provide access to Nonviolent Communication workshops and events for all people, especially when the cost of the workshop would create an obstacle to their participation. The two strategies we employ to ensure access to workshops and events are as follows:

1. Setting sliding scale workshops rates that we believe are fair and actually below industry standard for the area. [RETAIN THIS LINE IF IS APPLICABLE TO YOUR GROUP]
2. Offering limited partial or full scholarships

Some communities may choose to offer limited partial or full scholarships for a workshop or event, typically in exchange for a defined volunteer commitment to our organization. If limited scholarships are available, the workshop description on our website will indicate this and provide you access to this form. It is our hope that before applying for a scholarship, you fully consider both your needs, and those expressed by [ORGANIZATION NAME] below. Since [ORGANIZATION NAME] is a grassroots nonprofit, supported almost entirely by volunteers, it's our hope that each scholarship applicant is requesting this support because paying workshop fees is indeed a barrier to meeting basic needs (housing, food, utilities, child care, etc.).

Before applying for a workshop or event scholarship, please read and consider the needs of [ORGANIZATION NAME] expressed below. Then, complete the scholarship form and submit to [IDENTIFY CONTACT HERE] (contact information is listed below). He/she will contact you to discuss fund availability and possibly make a request for a limited/specific volunteer commitment that fits with your schedule.

- a. The needs of the trainer - Certified Nonviolent Communication trainers have typically spent several years learning, practicing and teaching NVC. They visit from around the world, making the difficult choice to spend time away from their home and loved ones to contribute to people's lives by sharing NVC. They typically spend many hours preparing for workshops and are paid considerably less than most organizational trainers. While they don't "do it for the money," your workshop fee supports their ability to continue what they do. They additionally contribute approximately 10% of their workshop revenue to the Center for Nonviolent Communication.
- b. The needs of [ORGANIZATION NAME] - [ORGANIZATION NAME] is a nonprofit organization supported almost entirely by volunteers [ADJUST THIS DESCRIPTION AS NEEDED]. We are committed to teaching peaceful dialogue and communication skills to people in this region. While costs for holding a workshop can vary between \$300 - \$4,000, expenses include [ADJUST THIS LIST AS NEEDED] space rental, advertising, mailings, handouts, trainer's travel/ meals/accommodations, and ongoing costs of maintaining accounting, voicemail, and our website. A small portion of your workshop fee helps support [ORGANIZATION NAME] with our costs of hosting this and future workshops and practice groups.
- c. Your needs - We invite you to reflect on your own basic needs. Please consider how your contribution to a nonviolent communication workshop may help transform the domination paradigm system that contributes to our relationship to the resources around us.

To apply for a partial to full scholarship, submit the information below (on attached sheets if necessary) to the scholarship coordinator listed:

FIRST/LAST NAME

PHONE NUMBER

EMAIL ADDRESS

WORKSHOP TITLE

TRAINER NAME

1. Please describe the needs that would be met by contributing less than our requested donation for this workshop.
2. Please describe how this workshop will contribute to your life or your community.
3. [ADJUST THIS SECTION AS APPROPRIATE TO YOUR ORGANIZATION, BASED ON WHAT YOU'D ENJOY OFFERING IN EXCHANGE FOR A SCHOLARSHIP] Please describe/list the alternate strategy for contribution you'd like to request. PLEASE CHECK THE STRATEGY THAT APPLIES, OR LIST YOUR OWN BELOW:
 - Paying for the workshop in 2-3 installments
 - Making a partial donation that is below our requested amount.
Amount I'd like to contribute: \$ _____
 - Volunteering to help my regional community with promotion before the workshop (distributing flyers at specified locations, handing out flyers at specified events)
 - Volunteering to help [ORGANIZATION NAME] at the workshop (event set up or break down, assisting with registration, helping sell books/materials, distributed workshop handouts)
 - Volunteering to support [ORGANIZATION NAME] on other events or tasks.

SUBMIT THIS FORM TO:

[LIST CONTACT INFORMATION HERE]