



**GREEK ORTHODOX COMMUNITY
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GONIS GARDIAKOS SCHOLARSHIP

The **Gonis Gardiakos Scholarship** is a program dedicated to support young students in their Greek language studies within the South Australian Community.

Established in honour of the late Bill Gonis OAM, a former President of the Greek Orthodox Community of South Australia (GOCSA), the scholarship aims to encourage young learners to continue with their Greek language education through High School, fostering their connection with our rich culture and heritage.

To be eligible for the scholarship program applicants must be a current student studying Greek with one of GOCSA's Community Language Schools.

Scholarships may be awarded to students who display exceptional talent in, and commitment to, the Greek language. Successful scholarship recipients will be supported by having five years of community language school fees paid, in order to encourage them to continue Greek language study into High School.

Applications must be submitted via email to the Community Language Schools Coordinator, Himo Tsakalos, via email himot@gocsa.org.au

Bill Gonis OAM was born in South Australia to Greek migrants, and was a prominent figure in the Greek-Australian community. He served as President of the Greek Orthodox Community of South Australia (GOCSA) from 2015 until his sudden passing in 2022.

He was a strong advocate for Greek heritage and culture and actively promoted multiculturalism, fostering connections between the Greek community and other multicultural groups in South Australia. Bill's dedication extended beyond the Greek community, where he actively served other non-profit organisations in the disability sector. Additionally, he held senior positions across the taxi and public transport industries in South Australia for over two decades, making a significant contribution.

Bill's contributions and legacy of selfless community service were acknowledged with the Order of Australia Medal (OAM) in 2006 for his service to the taxi and transport industry, and to the Greek community.



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Applicant's Details

Given Names: _____ Surname: _____

Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Gender: Male Female

Residency Status: Australian Citizen Permanent Resident

Current School: _____ Current Year Level: _____

GOCSA Community Language School: _____

Siblings currently at school: Yes No

Name/s: _____

Parent / Guardian's Details

Parent / Guardian 1

Title (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Dr): _____

Given Names: _____ Surname: _____

Relationship to applicant: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: (H) _____ (W): _____ (M): _____

Email: _____

Parent / Guardian Signature: _____

Parent / Guardian 2

Title (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Dr): _____

Given Names: _____ Surname: _____

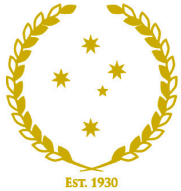
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When and where did you commence your Greek studies?

What is important to you about the Greek Language?

Do you play a musical instrument?

YES NO

If yes, please provide details.

Do you participate in a Greek Dancing Group?

YES NO

If yes, please provide details.
