



SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION FORM

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Please read the information on the other side of this page before completing this form. Then fill in the application completely. This form is confidential and will be reviewed by The Mountain Hermitage teacher(s.) Please print clearly or type in dark ink.

Name _____ Today's Date _____

Mailing Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Country _____ Email _____

Best phone number to reach you _____

Occupation _____

Number of dependents (including yourself) _____ Annual income _____

*I am asking for scholarship support to attend the **May 2025 Vipassana Retreat with Sayadaw U. Vivekananda**. I understand that I will need to pay at least 2/3 the actual cost of this retreat ($\$3649 \times .66 = \2408)*

I am able to pay _____ and will require scholarship funds to make up the difference between this and the actual retreat cost of \$3649.

Please explain why you need financial assistance to attend this retreat. Attach additional pages if needed.

Please include a paragraph describing the role of practice in your life at this time.

TMH must also receive a completed retreat registration form and the requested payment for this retreat before this application is processed.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please read the information on the reverse of this sheet...



SCHOLARSHIP FUND INFORMATION

From the time of the Buddha, *Dana* (generosity or gift from the heart) has been a fundamental aspect of the Buddhist tradition. Buddhist teachings have been offered freely and teachers have been supported by the generous *Dana* offerings of those who appreciate the Buddhist teachings.

In keeping with this tradition, our Scholarship Fund assists those who might otherwise be unable to practice at the Hermitage – for instance, those unable to work due to disability, age, or single parent child-rearing, those whose vocations in full-time active service work or other endeavors, entail a life of voluntary simplicity or poverty, or those whose current life circumstances are such that the retreat fee would present substantial financial hardship.

REQUIRED PAYMENT - The listed required payment must be included with your application. If you are not awarded a scholarship for the retreat, your payment will be returned in full.

CANCELLATIONS BY SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS -

- Cancellations received on or before March 5, 2025 IF there is a waitlist: your payment will be returned minus a \$25 cancellation fee, if there is a waitlist.
- Cancellations received on or after March 5, 2025 if there is NO waitlist: your payment will not be returned.
- Cancellations received on or after March 6, 2025 (including non-attendance at the retreat): your payment will not be returned.
- In the event of specific, unusual emergency circumstances, the above cancellation policy can be discussed with The Mountain Hermitage office manager after the retreat is concluded.

If you have to cancel, please do it early.

Late cancellations do not give us time to offer a space or to award a scholarship to someone else. Non-returnable deposits will go into the TMH Scholarship Fund.

APPLICATION PROCESS – Complete and return the following items to TMH:

- Scholarship Fund Application Form (on the reverse of this sheet.)
- Retreat Application Form (can be downloaded from www.mountainhermitage.org or can be mailed to your postal address.)
- Initial Deposit of \$1000 (Second Deposit of \$1000 is due before February 21, 2025)

Allow at least three weeks for processing your application. Notification of acceptance will be made by email unless you do not have an email address.

***Please be assured that we will do our best to help you attend a retreat with us.
The Mountain Hermitage***