

CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY

MARIN CHAPTER

2026 Howard--Kohn Memorial Scholarship

The Marin Chapter of the California Native Plant Society is pleased to offer scholarships to students doing research on plant systematics, plant ecology, plant physiology, plant community restoration or other related botanical studies of native plants that grow in habitats in Marin County or other local habitats in Central and Northern California. Students researching topics related to native plant and native habitat conservation are especially encouraged to apply.

This year, one Howard-Kohn scholarship for the amount of \$3000 will be available. Evaluation of student applications will focus on the stated purpose of the research, research plan, and overall impression of the research project. Extra consideration will be given to proposals for work on one or more species that grow in Marin County, work to be carried out in Marin County, and work having special potential for improving conservation of California native plants or educating the public about them. Additional smaller scholarships may also become available throughout the year; please check the Marin CNPS website for details.

Howard-Kohn Scholarship Requirements

Applicants must be enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program in an accredited college or university and undertaking botanical research related to native plants or native plant communities in Central or Northern California. Each grantee is requested to present a short talk at one of the Marin Chapter's General Meetings, or to write up a short article for publication in the chapter newsletter.

Required Information (All three documents must be received before application can be considered)

- * Application Form
- * Recommendation/Statement of Qualifications from Major Advisor
- * Transcript (Either Official or Unofficial)

Send your application materials to:

CNPS Marin Scholarship Committee at marincnpsgrants@gmail.com

Applications must be received by April 1st, 2026.

Awards will be announced at the May, 2026,

meeting of the Marin Chapter

Howard-Kohn Scholarship Application California Native Plant Society, Marin Chapter

1. Name:
2. Social Security Number (required only if awarded):
3. Street Address:
4. City:
5. State:
6. Zip Code:
7. E-mail Address:
8. Phone Number :
9. College or University Currently Attending:
10. Major and Degree Goal:
11. Thesis or Research Topic:
12. Major Advisor:
13. Major Adviser's Address:
14. Describe the goal of your research:

15. Briefly describe the experimental design or methodology of your research (use additional pages, if needed)

16. List other sources of funding (if any) and briefly describe how CNPS support will help you reach your goal.

17. Briefly indicate any way CNPS support of your project will further progress toward human diversity and equity in California.

18. Briefly describe any special contributions your research is expected to make to the CNPS mission to conserve and educate the public about California native plants.

Signature:

Date:

Joe Kohn

Joe Kohn was a past president of Marin CNPS who was equally dedicated to the two main goals of the society. He took advantage of every possible opportunity to learn more about California native plants and was equally insistent that all of us should take advantage of every opportunity to defend them from all threats. Upon his passing in 2010, our chapter received a generous bequest from his estate.

Ken Howard

Ken Howard was a long time member of the Marin Chapter of CNPS, serving on the Board of Directors for many years beginning in 1991. At different times, he was Field Trip Chair, Plant Sale Co-Chair and Chapter Historian. Ken was an accomplished florist and painter, and in addition to loving plants, he was also a lichen and bird enthusiast. Before he passed away in 2011, he left a generous bequest to our chapter.