



**THE MOUNT VERNON/SKAGIT ROTARY  
CHARITABLE ASSOCIATION**

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Rotary is an international charitable organization comprised of professional and business leaders whose goals are humanitarian service, high ethical standards and the promotion of goodwill and peace around the world. The Rotary Club of Skagit in Mount Vernon has been a proud member of Rotary International, the largest and oldest service organization in the world dedicated to friendship, fellowship, and service to others since its inception in July of 1986. Our motto "SERVICE ABOVE SELF" serves as our guide in everything we do. The main objective of Rotary is "SERVICE" - in the community, the workplace, and throughout the world. Skagit Rotarians foster and encourage the ideal of "Service Above Self" through the betterment of business and professional ethics, promoting international understanding and goodwill, and providing humanitarian service in the Skagit Valley and world-wide. The Mount Vernon/Skagit Rotary Club provides a number of scholarship opportunities to a cross sector of the community. The available scholarship awards are listed below. Each is subject to the rules and restrictions listed below.

**SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE**

***In Memory of Wallace Sigmar***

The Skagit Valley College Scholarship is given each year to a Skagit County senior who exemplifies the qualities of a good citizen and dedicated student, and who is entering Skagit Valley College. This scholarship pays for tuition, fees and books for two (2) years at Skagit Valley College for the student to obtain an Associate's Degree.

***Bernadette Roozen Scholarship***

The Bernadette Roozen Scholarship will be awarded to a Skagit County female resident who attended Mount Vernon High School and who will be attending college in Washington State. The candidate will exemplify the leadership qualities of Bernadette Roozen.

***Professional Technical / Vocational Scholarships***

Scholarships are given to students who exemplify the qualities of a good citizen and show dedication to pursuing their education in the professional technical or vocational fields of study.

***Skagit / Mount Vernon Rotary Memoriam  
University 4 Year Scholarships in Honor of Club Members***

The Memoriam Scholarship is awarded to a student who exemplifies the ideals and standards of Rotary, and the qualities of late Skagit / Mount Vernon Rotary members. The scholarship award is for four years in an amount determined by the Club members.

***College/University Scholarships***

If additional scholarship funding is available, the club may decide on discretionary scholarships to Skagit County students entering either a college or university.



## THE SKAGIT / MOUNT VERNON ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP RULES AND INFORMATION

In order to be considered, you must complete and mail the Application Form, together with any additional materials requested, including your high school transcript to the address shown on page 1.

The applicant must be:

1. A freshman entering a university (or first year student entering a technical or vocational program) in the year in which the application is made;
2. A Skagit County resident; and
3. For college and university scholarships applicants: A graduate from a Skagit County high school with a cumulative grade point average of at least **3.0** for all college and university scholarships.

For technical or vocational program applicants: A graduate from a Skagit County high school, or recipient of a G.E.D., with a cumulative grade point average of at least a **2.5\*** for the technical or vocational program applicants.

*\*Technical and vocational program applicants grade point averages will be reviewed on a case by case basis and those with less than a 2.5 grade point average may be considered based upon extraordinary circumstances of the applicant.*

The recipients will be selected by the Board of Directors of the Mount Vernon/Skagit Rotary Charitable Association and decisions of the Board will be final. The scholarships are merit-based scholarships however the Mount Vernon/Skagit Rotary reserves the right to consider an applicant's need and any other factors in determining the recipients.

Tuition payments will be made directly to the college. Payments for the second years will be made only upon receipt of his or her first year official transcript demonstrating compliance with the grade point and course load requirements. College and university scholarship recipients of consecutive year awards must maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 while taking a minimum of 10 credits per quarter. The Wallace Sigmar Scholarship includes tuition and an allowance for books of not more than \$250 per quarter. The reimbursement for books will be made on the "honor system" based upon the actual cost of required books and materials as reported by the recipient to the Board of Directors.

Tuition payments will be made directly to the college or educational program. Payments for subsequent years will be made only upon receipt of the student's first year official transcript demonstrating compliance with the grade point and course load requirements. *Scholarships must be utilized within 12 months from date of award.*

**DEADLINE: APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup> OF THE YEAR OF APPLICATION**  
*All materials must be postmarked or electronically delivered by April 1*

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**Disclaimer:** The Skagit/Mount Vernon Rotary reserves the right to publish the name of any student who is awarded a scholarship from the Skagit / Mount Vernon Rotary. By signing the application below, you consent to the Skagit/Mount Vernon Rotary publishing your name, and any photographs obtained via the scholarship process, as a scholarship recipient in any promotional materials, including but not limited to Rotary International publications both electronic and written, Skagit/Mount Vernon Facebook and website, or other promotional materials, including media, in both electronic or written form.

**THE SKAGIT (MOUNT VERNON) ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP**  
**Professional Technical/Vocational and Academic Scholarship Application**  
Full application and materials must be postmarked *or* delivered electronically by: April 1

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

GPA (4.0 scale): \_\_\_\_\_ Intended Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Career Goal: \_\_\_\_\_

Preference for scholarship consideration \_\_\_\_\_ College/University \_\_\_\_\_ Technical/Vocational

University or Technical College Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Senior Advisor or Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_

Awards/Honors Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Athletics/Extra Curricular: \_\_\_\_\_

Community/Church Service: \_\_\_\_\_

What Other Scholarships Have you Received (include dollar amounts): \_\_\_\_\_

Include a typed essay, not to exceed one page, which addresses these questions:

- 1. What do you hope to gain from your college experience?**
- 2. How do you plan to pay for your college education?**
- 3. Have you experienced hardships, personal adversity or other barriers to continuing your education? Explain successes and challenges you've experienced during your academic career and what impact they have had on you.**

Please attach two (2) signed letters of recommendation: one from an educator (e.g. teacher, counselor, principal, etc.); and one from another non-family & non-educator source familiar with your background and achievements. Also, attach a copy of your high school and any college transcripts.

Are you an AVID Program student? \_\_\_\_\_ Have you ever lived in Foster Care? \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_