

COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

In recent years several local organizations including the Community Foundation of Greater Rochester, the Rochester Community Schools Foundation, Rochester Rotary Club and the Rochester Kiwanis Club developed the **Community Scholarship Program** for graduating high school students. One common application form allows you to now access all the scholarships from the above-mentioned organizations. Scholarships are based on criteria developed by the donors that may include: academic promise, extracurricular activities, community service, musical, artistic and dramatic talent, tenacity, work ethic, and leadership. Some awards may consider financial need. Distribution from Scholarship Funds is based on funds available and all listed scholarships may not be awarded every year.

Each interested student is asked to complete an application, including general information and an essay. Applicants must also include one Applicant Appraisal Form and a high school transcript. The deadline for submission is **February 27, 2015**. Applications are available at high school counseling offices, Community Foundation's office, Rochester Community Schools Foundation, and the following websites: www.cfound.org, www.rochester.k12.mi.us or www.rochesterrotaryclub.org

Applications will be reviewed and recipients selected based on criteria set when each scholarship fund was established. Scholarships are awarded without regard to race, creed, color, or national origin. The Scholarship Committee reserves the right to consider an application for any or all scholarships available. You can assist by indicating your specific qualifications on the application form. Students selected to receive scholarships will be notified by mail.

Submission Instructions:

Submit complete application to the Rochester Community Schools Foundation on or before February 27, 2015. Applications must be either typed or printed in black ink. Applications in pencil will not be considered.

Required Items for Application packet:

1. Completed scholarship application form
2. Appraisal and High school transcript
3. Essay – maximum one typewritten page
4. Place items 1-3 in sealed 9.5 X 11 in. envelope – **DO NOT FOLD or STAPLE**.

Additional items that are included with the application will not be considered.

Mail or drop off to:	Rochester Community Schools Foundation 501 W. University Drive Rochester, MI 48307
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Incomplete application packets will not be considered or returned.

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ School: _____



COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

SCHOLARSHIPS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR Applicants will be considered for all scholarships; however, it would assist the review committee if you would indicate the scholarship(s) for which you are particularly qualified.

(SEE LIST)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

APPLICANT DATA

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Initial _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home Phone (____) _____ Email _____

HIGH SCHOOL DATA

School Name _____
Phone Number: _____ Guidance Counselor: _____

COLLEGE DATA

Name of post-secondary school you plan to attend. If unknown, please list in order of preference where applications have been sent.

Accepted?

- 1) _____ City _____ State _____ Yes / No / Pending
- 2) _____ City _____ State _____ Yes / No / Pending

Intended Major _____

Note: Not all scholarships consider financial criteria. Filling out the information below is optional, but failure to do so may disqualify you from consideration from some scholarships.

FAMILY DATA

Parent/Guardian Name(s) _____ Phone (____) _____

Address if different from applicant _____

Father's Occupation _____ Employer _____

Mother's Occupation _____ Employer _____

Parents' marital status: () Married () Separated () Divorced () Widow or Widower

FINANCIAL DATA

Father's Annual Income \$ _____ Mother's Annual Income \$ _____

List your family's total adjusted income from their most recent federal tax return \$ _____

List other children living in your household. Give ages and colleges attending. _____

Community Scholarship Program

A joint program of Community Foundation of Greater Rochester • Rochester Community Schools Foundation
Rochester Kiwanis Club • Rochester Rotary Club

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES, AWARDS, HONORS, & ACHIEVEMENTS: Name the most significant school activities in which you have participated during the past 4 years (e.g. student government, art, music, sports, etc.) in order of importance. List special awards, honors, achievements and leadership positions held.

<i>Activity</i>	<i># Yrs.</i>	<i>Awards, Honors, Achievements</i>	<i>Leadership / Offices Held</i>

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES, AWARDS, HONORS, & ACHIEVEMENTS: Name the most significant non-school activities in which you have participated during the past 4 years. List special awards, honors, achievements and leadership positions held.

<i>Activity</i>	<i># Yrs.</i>	<i>Awards, Honors, Achievements</i>	<i>Leadership / Offices Held</i>

WORK: DESCRIBE YOUR MOST RECENT WORK EXPERIENCE. Indicate dates of employment in each job, approximate number of hours worked each week, and amounts earned at each job.

<i>Company/Position</i>	<i>Dates</i>	<i>Hours Per Week</i>	<i>Hourly Rate</i>

ESSAY: Submit a personal essay (maximum one typewritten page) describing your character, aspirations, education and career objectives, and future goals. **This essay is very important in the selection process**. Identify which scholarships you think you are most qualified for and explain why. Also report (if applicable) any unusual family, personal, or financial circumstances which you think warrant consideration.

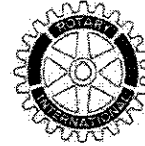
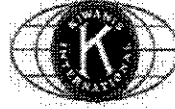
TRANSCRIPT: Submit a copy of your most recent transcript including MME/ACT Testing with this application

CERTIFICATION: *In submitting this application, I certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship granted. This application becomes the property of the Community Scholarship Program and will be held in confidence. Essays submitted by scholarship recipients may be shared with the donor if appropriate.*

This scholarship application becomes valid only when you have submitted a complete package on or before February 27, 2015 to your high school Counseling Office or Rochester Community Schools Foundation Office. See Application Instructions for complete details.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT APPRAISAL FORM

Please print in black ink or type. The appraisal must be completed by a school counselor, teacher, coach or administrator or a non-family member who knows your qualifications relating to the scholarship(s) for which you are applying.

Applicant Name: _____

High School: _____ Appraiser's Name: _____

Scholarships are awarded based one or more criteria. Please indicate the criteria that apply to the student you are appraising.

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| Academics | _____ | Church activities | _____ | Leadership | _____ |
| Artistic activities | _____ | Community Service | _____ | Other activities | _____ |
| Athletics | _____ | Drama | _____ | Overcoming obstacles | _____ |
| Career choice | _____ | Financial need | _____ | Work ethic | _____ |

TO THE APPRAISER: Your appraisal is very important to this applicant. Please give it your immediate attention. The student has authorized you to release any information that would help in reviewing his/her application. The scholarship deadline is **February 27, 2015**. All materials must be received on or before this date for consideration. **Please return this form to the applicant, high school counselor, or directly to the Rochester Community Schools Foundation Office at (501 W. University Drive - Rochester, MI 48307). Phone 248-726-3190 with questions.**

- What is your relationship with the applicant?
 Academic Personal Employer Other (specify) _____
- How long have you been acquainted with the applicant?
 All his/her life 5-10 years 3-5 years 1-3 years
- How well do you know the applicant?
 Extremely well Very well Moderately well Not well
- Do you think the applicant has the ability and determination to complete his/her educational objectives?
 Yes No don't know
- Attach a letter recommendation** that includes personal traits such as cooperation, perseverance, character, work habits, ability to set realistic goals, responsibility, commitment to educational goals and commitment to community.

CERTIFICATION: All of the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Appraiser's Signature _____

Title _____ School, Business, etc. _____

Daytime Phone _____