



# John Penfield Scholarship Brattleboro Sunrise Rotary 2024

*John Penfield was a Charter Member and was the founding President of the Brattleboro Sunrise Rotary Club. This scholarship was created to honor his spirit of giving in the community, his dedication to service, and his expertise in the automotive field.*

John embodied the object of Rotary-- to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

1. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
2. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
3. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
4. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

## SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Each year, the Brattleboro Sunrise Rotary sets aside funds to help students who plan to go on to postsecondary education or training in a technical field in honor of John Penfield. In order to qualify, you must be pursuing a trade career, complete and submit this application (in its entirety) by the deadline, be determined eligible, and satisfy the criteria established by Brattleboro Sunrise Rotary.

If any questions are not applicable to your current situation, please attach an explanatory note referring to the questions by section. If more space is required for information on any items, you may attach additional information. Please indicate the section to which the material corresponds.

**The Brattleboro Sunrise Rotary's Scholarship Committee reserves the right to process only applications found to be complete as of the application postmark deadline of **May 13, 2024 [updated]**.**

**REMEMBER: This application becomes valid only when all of the items in the checklist have been submitted.**

## APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- \_\_\_ **Application pages 2-4** and all required signatures on page 4
- \_\_\_ A copy of your high school or current vocational training **transcripts**
- \_\_\_ A brief **statement of career/vocational goals** or alternative arrangement—see guidelines page 4
- \_\_\_ **Two** letters of reference from non-family members—see guidelines page 4

The entire application, including the signed statements on page 4 and letters of reference, must be submitted **together** in order to be considered. It must be postmarked by **May 13, 2024**, to be considered.

## RETURN PAPER APPLICATION TO:

Brattleboro Sunrise Rotary Scholarship Committee  
PO Box 1995  
Brattleboro, VT 05301-1995

## OR RETURN ELECTRONIC APPLICATION TO:

[deborahlynn\[at\]me.com](mailto:deborahlynn[at]me.com)

# Brattleboro Sunrise Rotary Penfield Scholarship 2024

## APPLICANT INFORMATION

First name \_\_\_\_\_ Last name \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth (Month, day, year) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of parent(s)/guardian(s) (if under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian mailing address (if different from applicant) Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

## SCHOOL INFORMATION AND FUTURE PLANS

School currently attended \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation date (MM/YY): \_\_\_\_\_

Current school address (City, State): \_\_\_\_\_

Postsecondary school or training for which applicant's scholarship is requested \_\_\_\_\_

Type of institution:

- Vocational/technical school/college
- Community college
- 4-year college/university
- Other: (Please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

Is the institution accredited?  Yes  No

Training school/institution address Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

How many years will it take to complete the vocational/technical training?

Do you intend to enroll:  less than half time  half-time or more  full time

Field you plan to pursue after the training: \_\_\_\_\_

## RESOURCE INFORMATION (Academic year fall 2024-Spring 2025)

Estimated expenses		Estimated resources	
Educational		Personal savings	
Personal		Family contributions	
Other		Employment earnings	
<b>TOTAL</b>		Financial aid (see next page)	
		Other	
		<b>TOTAL</b>	

## Anticipated Financial Aid

Please list below the names and amounts of any grants, scholarships, or other financial aid that you have been awarded for the coming school year.

Name of award/scholarship	Amount	Granted	Pending

Is your family currently supporting any other people in post-secondary education?  Yes  No

## COMMUNITY SERVICE AND EMPLOYMENT

Please attach a current resume or other documentation that demonstrates your dedication to service and/or the community. This might include your civic activities, community service involvement, employment, etc. If it is easier, you can also use the format below. *It is important that you provide relevant information in a way that the committee can clearly understand, however the format is up to you.*

If you do not attach a resume, please describe your work experience during the past 4 years. Indicate dates of employment in each job and approximate number of hours worked each week. Attach additional sheets if needed.

Position and employer	Dates of employment (MM/YY-MM/YY)	Average # of hours/week

If you do not attach a resume, please list all civic, community, or school activities in which you have participated during the past 4 years without pay (e.g., clubs, arts, civic groups, sports, volunteer work, etc.) Indicate all special awards and honors. Attach additional sheets if needed.

Activity	Number of years involved	Special awards, honors or positions held

## LETTERS OF REFERENCE

As part of the application, you must submit at least TWO letters of reference. These should be from people who are not members of your family. At least one should be from someone familiar with your education and vocational goals—this might be a teacher or a mentor in your chosen field.

Letters of reference should be no longer than one page and should include the author's name, address, and phone number. Additional letters are welcome but not required. **If at least 2 letters are not included, the application will not be considered complete.**

## STATEMENT OF VOCATIONAL/CAREER GOALS

Please describe in one paragraph, on a separate sheet, your professional or vocational goals. This statement should be typewritten and double- or 1.5-spaced.

### ALTERNATIVE TO WRITTEN STATEMENT

If you are not able to construct an essay, or feel that another medium better allows you to articulate yourself, please send an email to the committee chair at [deborahlynn\[at\]me.com](mailto:deborahlynn[at]me.com) **AT LEAST ONE WEEK** in advance of the deadline to make other arrangements, such as an interview or audio presentation.

## APPLICATION SCORING

Applications will be evaluated based on community service, employment history, financial need, statement of vocational/career goals, and letters of reference. Applications will be evaluated by a volunteer committee of the Brattleboro Sunrise Rotary Club and the committee's decisions are final.

## CERTIFICATION AND PERMISSION TO USE INFORMATION

*In submitting this application, I certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. By signing this application, and in consideration of the Scholarship Committee's review of my application, I further agree to refund to the Brattleboro Sunrise Rotary Club's Scholarship Committee any monies disbursed to me prior to the committee's discovery of the falsity of any information contained in this scholarship application.*

*I agree that if I am offered and accept an award from Brattleboro Sunrise Rotary and its affiliated programs, Sunrise Rotary may use my name, photograph or likeness, the name of my community, the name and address of my school, the amount of the award, and the name of the postsecondary institution I will attend in press releases, public announcements, and other fundraising or promotional materials.*

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature (if student is less than 18 years old) \_\_\_\_\_