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The Cranston Rotary Club

2018 Community Service Scholarship

Scholarship Application



February 22, 2018

Cranston Area High Schools
Re: 2018 Cranston Rotary Scholarship

Once again, the Cranston Rotary Club will award four scholarships to one graduating senior from each of the four Cranston High Schools. Students are invited to apply to our scholarship before April 15th, 2018. The scholarship awards will be presented on June 13th at the Rotary Installation Dinner.

All applications will be reviewed by a committee of Rotarians. Please complete all items listed in the application process; incomplete applications will not be considered.

Awards will be made at Rotary dinner meeting on June 13th. The details for that meeting will be explained to the winners. The award amount varies each year based on the success of our club fund raising efforts. Each award will be between \$500 and \$1000.

You will notice that volunteer service is an important part of our application process. Through this process we hope to help hard working students gain a college education, but also hope to promote volunteerism in our Cranston community. Please review the National Rotary Website to understand exactly what our organization does and its values. (<https://www.rotary.org>)

We look forward to receiving many outstanding applications for the Cranston Rotary Scholarship.

Sincerely,

Ray Butterfield III
The Cranston Rotary Club
P.O. Box 3723
Cranston, RI 02910

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Scholarship Proposal Cover Sheet

Last Name of Applicant: _____
First Name of Applicant: _____
Address of Applicant: _____
Home Phone: _____
Email: _____
Parent/Guardian: _____
Address: _____
(If different from applicant) _____
Alternate Phone: _____
High School: _____
Guidance Counselor: _____
Date: _____

Submittal item	Potential scoring points	Actual scoring points
Verification of 3.0 grade point average from guidance & college acceptance letter	10	
Verification of volunteer service (40 hours)	30	
Two letters of recommendation (guidance and service org.)	10	
Essay	40	
Resume and/or activity log	10	
TOTAL SCORE	100	

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About the Cranston Rotary Club

What are the benefits of being a Rotarian? The benefits include serving the community, networking and friendships, and promoting ethics and leadership skills. We are a charitable organization comprised of business and professional leaders dedicated to serving through volunteerism in our community. The Cranston Rotary Club has worked on projects relating to hunger, health, environmental concerns, literacy, vocational assistance, drug abuse, and helped assist youth, the developmentally disabled and the elderly.

Mission Statement

The mission of the Cranston Rotary Club is to provide service to others in our community, uphold the mission of Rotary International, and promote high ethical standards and goodwill through fellowship among our members and our community.

Vision Statement

The vision of the Cranston Rotary Club is to be recognized throughout the state for our commitment to Service-Above Self and to advance understanding, goodwill and service to the community.

Motto

Service-Above Self

About Rotary International

What would it take to change the world? Each local Rotary Club is part of a much larger organization, Rotary International, which first began in Chicago, Illinois on February 23, 1905.

Rotary International is the world's first service club organization, with more than 1.2 million members in 33,000 clubs worldwide. Rotary Club members are volunteers who work locally, regionally, and internationally to combat hunger, improve health and sanitation, provide education and job training, promote peace, and eradicate polio under the motto Service-Above Self.

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The Cranston Rotary Club Community Service Scholarship Grant was established to assist graduating seniors from each of the four Cranston area high schools to pursue a two or four year collegiate degree. This year, one senior from Cranston High School East, Cranston High School West, the Cranston Area Career & Technical Center and NEL/CPS Construction and Career Academy will be eligible to receive a Cranston Rotary Club Community Service Scholarship provided they meet the criteria outlined below.

Criteria:

Applications will not be accepted unless all criteria are met and included in the application.

1. Verification of at least a 3.0 overall GPA from your guidance counselor.
2. A copy of the acceptance letter from the school you plan to attend.
3. A letter of verification of community service hours and description of the role performed from the community service provider. A minimum of 40 hours of community service in your senior year (a portion of these hours may be fulfilled the summer preceding your senior year).
4. Two letters of recommendation (one from your guidance counselor & one from your community service organization).
5. An essay about one of your most positive service-oriented experiences during your HS years.

*Please include in your essay how your experience aligns with the beliefs and areas of focus of Rotary International. We have identified specific causes to target to maximize our local and global impact. At the same time, we understand that each community has its own unique needs and concerns. More information can be found at

<https://www.rotary.org/en/learning-reference/about-rotary/areas-focus>

6. Resume and/or activity log

Completed applications should be forwarded to:

Ray Butterfield III
The Cranston Rotary Club
P.O. Box 3723
Cranston, RI 02910

Application Review Process:

Applications must be received at the Rotary address by **Friday, April 7, 2018**. Late applications will not be accepted. Applications that meet the criteria outlined above will be forwarded to the Cranston Rotary Executive Board for review at its May 2018 board meeting. Applicants chosen for the scholarship awards will be notified soon after and given their award at the Annual Cranston Rotary Club Installation Dinner. For further information on the scholarship program, please contact Raymond Butterfield at raymondb (raymondb@cox.net).

If I am the recipient of the Cranston Rotary Scholarship, I agree to attend the Awards & Recognition Ceremony on June 13th at 6:30pm. Location to be determined (in Cranston)

_____/ Date _____
Student Signature

_____/ Date _____
Parent/Guardian Signature