

## Application for the 2026 High School Graduate “Service Above Self” Grant Program

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The Rotary Club of Bourne-Sandwich is pleased to announce two (2) Rotary Club of Bourne-Sandwich grants for graduating high school students residing in Bourne or Sandwich.

1. One \$1,500 **Rotary Club Grant** will be awarded in May 2026 to a student **with a record of active community service throughout high school**. Applicants must write an essay that reflects their academic/occupational goals, financial need, and the Object of Rotary, “to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise.” Applicants may also include print or video evidence of your community service to enhance the essay.
2. One \$1500 **Rotary Club of Bourne-Sandwich Fredrick Harris Grant\*** will be awarded in May 2026 to a high school graduate **planning to study music, music education, musical theater, music therapy, music/theater technology/entertainment business, or plans to pursue a music/theater co-curricular in college**. The scholarship is named for Fred Harris, a life-long Rotarian, musician, and high school music teacher. Applicants must write a 300 an essay that reflects their academic goals, financial need, and the Object of Rotary, “to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise.” You may also include print or video evidence of your service to enhance your essay.

*\*The Fredrick Harris Grant may be awarded to a qualified student from any town on Cape Cod if there are no qualified applicants who reside in the towns of Sandwich or Bourne.*

### Eligibility

Students residing in the towns of Bourne or Sandwich who are graduating from public/private high schools or who have been home schooled are encouraged to apply.

### Application Process

The graduating high school senior student must:

- ✓ Check the award: \_\_\_\_ Rotary Grant **or** \_\_\_\_ Rotary Fred Harris Grant.
- ✓ Complete the required essay including academic/occupational goals, evidence of active community service throughout high school, and financial need; and
- ✓ Submit a letter of recommendation from a teacher, coach, advisor, or guidance counselor; and
- ✓ Submit a high school transcript; and
- ✓ Submit an acceptance letter from a two-year or four-year college or university, or other accredited postsecondary education institution/technical school, or letter of commitment to a branch of the U.S. Military.

**Note: Emailed application and materials must be submitted as a single pdf file to Susan Miller, [susmiller640@gmail.com](mailto:susmiller640@gmail.com) by March 31, 2026.**

The grant award will be made in the form of a check payable to the recipient after a **Fall 2026 official college transcript** is received by the Rotary Club of Bourne-Sandwich in **January of 2027**. (Send transcript to Sue Miller, [susmiller640@gmail.com](mailto:susmiller640@gmail.com) or text 508.364.2522)

Send questions or application and follow-up documents to Susan Miller at [susmiller640@gmail.com](mailto:susmiller640@gmail.com).