



# Columbus Rotary

## Service Above Self

### PHOENIX SCHOLARSHIPS

**Columbus Rotary offers a unique scholarship opportunity for hard-working undergraduate students with good grades who may not fit the regular mold of the typical student.**

#### Who are Phoenix Scholars?

We consider Phoenix Scholars to be non-traditional undergraduates who perhaps:

- Did not qualify for scholarships following high school because of grades or college entrance exams, but who have demonstrated solid academic performance in their undergraduate studies.
- May not have chosen to pursue college immediately following high school.
- Started college but did not complete their undergraduate degree.
- Find themselves mid-career having to adjust their course due to personal, economic or industry shifts.

Columbus Rotary, in its role to affect positive and enduring change in the lives of others, is offering **\$1,250 scholarships for part-time students (6 hours+)** and **\$2,500 scholarships for full-time students (12 hours+)** to several **hard-working post-secondary** students with good grades and enrolled in one of the qualifying colleges or universities located in Franklin County. If you consider yourself a Phoenix, we invite you to apply for the Phoenix Scholarship program.

#### Eligibility Checklist — Applicants must

- Be a U.S. citizen; be a permanent resident of Franklin County; preference may be given to residents of the City of Columbus, graduates of a Columbus City High School, or parents with a child enrolled in Columbus City Schools
- Be enrolled in a part-time (6 hours+) or full-time (12 hours+) post-secondary degree or certificate program in a college or university in Franklin County
- Have completed at least 30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours of coursework
- Have earned a cumulative grade point average of 2.75 as of the application submission to Columbus Rotary
- Have completed the online submission process at [www.columbusrotary.org](http://www.columbusrotary.org) and letter/s of recommendation (see instructions on application).

#### Rotary's Four-Way Test

In 1932, Herbert J. Taylor wrote down four questions on a small white piece of paper to serve as an “ethical yardstick” for his employees. This simple creation has come to be known as The Four-Way Test. Revered by Rotarians, it has been translated into more than 100 languages and asks the following questions:

Of the things we think, say or

- do: Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

**Application, Essay and Letter/s of Recommendation Due March 1, Each Year.**  
**Online Application Forms Available at [www.columbusrotary.org](http://www.columbusrotary.org)**



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# PHOENIX SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name of Applicant:

SSN #:

Current Address (street, city, Zip):

Permanent Address (street, city Zip):

Phone (Home):

Phone (Work):

Cell Phone:

E-mail Address:

Date of Birth:

Gender:

Male

Female

Marital Status:

Number and ages of any children:

Name of College/University:

Address of College/University:

Are you currently attending this institution?

Yes

No

If yes, please complete the following:

Field of Study:

GPA:

Number of credits required for degree:

Number of credits earned to date toward this degree:

Please list your previous college experience:

Name of College	Attended Mo/Yr – Mo/Yr	Major	Quarter/Semester Hours Earned	Degree Attained?	GPA

Name of high school from which you graduated:

Year of graduation:

City and state of high school:

Are you currently employed?



No

Name of employer:

List name, address and phone number of supervisor:

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Is your employer providing educational funding for you?

Yes

No

If yes, how much?

Please give a work history, beginning with your most recent position:

Name of Employer:	Location:		
Position:	From:	To:	
Reason for Leaving:			

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Have you previously been awarded any scholarship(s)?  Yes  No If yes, please describe and list the amount(s):

**Letter/s of Recommendation Section:** A letter of recommendation is requested from at least one current college faculty member who is familiar with your academic success. While one letter is required, multiple letters will be accepted. This letter/s should be submitted directly to Columbus Rotary by your references. They can either be submitted in hard copy on letterhead by mail to the address below; or submitted via email directly from the reference to the email address below. **Letters must include contact phone numbers and e-mail addresses of the reference/s.**

**Selection Process:** Applicants who meet eligibility and screening requirements will be interviewed by the Columbus Rotary Scholarship Committee. Several scholarships will be awarded, though the Committee reserves the right to award no scholarships if it deems applicants do not merit such an award. Preference may be given to students who attended, or who have children attending, the Columbus City Public Schools. Preference may also be given to applicants seeking a degree in a medical field or other STEM-related educational pursuit. All applicants will be notified by the end of April of their application status.

**Applicant Statement:** I hereby acknowledge that all of the information included in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. If additional information or documentation is requested of me, I agree to provide it. If chosen for a scholarship, I understand that awarding of the scholarship is conditional upon the submission of a transcript of my grades and credits through the end of the quarter or semester preceding the first quarter or semester for which the scholarship is awarded. I agree to have representatives of the Columbus Rotary verify the information provided herein. If awarded a Rotary Phoenix Scholarship I agree to attend a Columbus Rotary meeting and authorize the use of my name and picture for promotional purposes.

All applications will remain confidential, shared only with those members of Columbus Rotary as required for the determination of awards and processing of scholarships.

By checking this box, I acknowledge that I have read, understand and accept the information provided above and certify that the information provided by me in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

**Submission Instructions:** You should be able to fill out the application, save it (including your last name in the name of the document) and submit it electronically to [Scholarship@ColumbusRotary.org](mailto:Scholarship@ColumbusRotary.org)

Letter/s of Recommendation, including contact number and email address of reference can either be submitted electronically to the email address below, or submitted on Letterhead by mail to:

Columbus Rotary Phoenix Scholarship  
c/o Columbus Rotary  
950 Michigan Avenue  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

[Scholarship@ColumbusRotary.org](mailto:Scholarship@ColumbusRotary.org)

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MARCH 1 EACH YEAR**

**Essay Section:** In 500 words or less, explain what makes you a Phoenix (non-traditional student) and how post-secondary education will be of value to you in the future. You can input this essay directly into this document and submit with your full application.

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