



Waunakee Rotary Foundation 2024 Service to Humanity Scholarship Application

Description

The Waunakee Rotary Foundation plans to award up to four Service to Humanity Scholarships to high school seniors graduating in the Spring of 2024 who provide exceptional community service. The total value of the scholarships awarded could be up to \$8,000. The amount of each scholarship awarded could vary depending on the number of selected scholarship recipients and the quality of the community service provided by each recipient. The minimum amount of a scholarship to be awarded is \$1,000. In 2023, two \$3,000 scholarships and two \$1,000 scholarships were awarded. In 2022, four \$1,500 scholarships were awarded.

Examples of exceptional community service include international mission service trips, national mission service trips, state or local mission service trips, community service projects that you organized or participated in, and assisting local community service organizations.

Eligibility Requirements

1. High school seniors in good standing residing in the Waunakee Community School District graduating in the Spring of 2024 from Waunakee High School, Edgewood High School, Madison Country Day School, St. Ambrose Academy, or a homeschool.
2. Seniors awarded scholarships must be registered as full-time students (12 credit hours minimum) at an accredited university, college, technical school, trade school, or apprentice program in the Fall of 2024.
3. Children of Waunakee Rotary Members are not eligible due to certain tax regulations.
4. Scholarship recipients are invited to attend a Waunakee Rotary Club meeting held at Rex's Innkeeper on Thursday, June 6, 2024, from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. You and your parent(s) or guardian(s) will be our guests during the meeting, and you will be asked to introduce yourself to the club members and speak for a few minutes about your past community service and your future plans.

Application Requirements

1. Complete the attached Application Form and submit all required documents by 11:59 p.m. on Friday, March 15, 2024. Incomplete, late, or lost applications will not be considered.
2. Write an essay between 500 and 1,000 words, double spaced, and typed in 12-point font describing your community service and how it follows the Rotary International Motto, *Service Above Self*.
3. Rotary International is dedicated to seven Causes to improve our world: (1) promoting peace, (2) fighting disease, (3) providing clean water, sanitation, and hygiene, (4) saving mothers and children, (5) supporting education, (6) growing local economies, and (7) protecting the environment. Select one or more of these Causes and describe how your community service benefits the selected Cause(s). Then describe how you would like to provide Community Service in the future to help a Rotary Cause(s). Your Current and Future Cause Essay should be 500 to 1,000 words, double spaced, and typed in 12-point font.
4. Provide a Community Service List from Grades 9 to 12 that includes (a) your community service projects, (b) the names and email addresses of the community service advisors, (c) the dates, if available, of each community service project, and (d) your total community service hours for each project over the course of your high school years. This Community Service List may be subject to verification.



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Name: _____
First Middle Last

Address: _____
Number Street

City State Zip Code

Phone: _____

Email: _____

High School: _____

University, College, Technical School, Trade School, or Apprentice Program you are attending:

Major or Career Goal: _____

If you have any questions or if you do not receive an email confirming receipt of your scholarship application within 24 hours after you have submitted your scholarship documents, please contact Robert Arntz at 608-849-7292 or rjarntz@tds.net

I am submitting scanned or electronic PDF files of the following documents in an email to rjarntz@tds.net before the 11:59 p.m. deadline on Friday, March 15, 2024:

Note: Google Docs will not be accepted.

- This Completed Scholarship Application Form.
- Service Above Self* Essay in 500 to 1,000 words, double spaced, and typed in 12-point font.
- Cause(s) Essay in 500 to 1,000 words, double spaced, and typed in 12-point font.
- Community Service List from Grades 9 to 12.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Scholarship application finalists will be selected by April 5, 2024. Finalists will be interviewed at the Waunakee Public Library and ranked by a committee of Waunakee Rotarians during the week of April 8, 2024, or April 15, 2024. Up to four Waunakee Rotary Foundation 2024 Service to Humanity Scholarship recipients will be notified by April 30, 2024.