

## Grant Eligibility Requirements

The Rotary Vocational Fund of Arizona (TRVFA) can grant qualifying applicants a one-time grant of up to \$2,000 to pursue postsecondary training toward a vocational certification.

An applicant for a TRVFA grant must:

- Meet certain financial eligibility (see Financial Need Income Guidelines below)
- Must file the most current **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** and provide us with a copy of their **Submission Summary** report.
- Seek training in a qualifying vocational area but be aware some vocations may not qualify for funding.
- Applicants must be full-time residents of Arizona and must be a US citizen or have permanent legal status in the US (green card).
  1. If address shown in our documents is not located in Arizona, additional documentation might be required to confirm residency.
  2. If address shown in FAFSA Summary differs from address shown in our application, additional documentation might be requested to confirm current residency status.
- Attend a postsecondary school/training institution in Arizona
- Be sponsored by a Rotary Club in Arizona, Needles, CA or Laughlin NV

### **FINANCIAL NEED INCOME GUIDELINES**

Because the major portion of the TRVFA funding comes from Arizona Tax Credits, the requirements that relate to financial need and qualifying courses of study are set by Arizona state law. We are obligated to verify whether applicants meet our income standards. TRVFA is required to make at least 50% of its grants to applicants that are at or below 150% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. Using the FAFSA documentation allows us to determine financial need for our candidates, especially those not at the poverty level. When funds are limited, the Fund reserves the right to require all applicants meet the income levels at or below 150% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

An applicant considered independent under Federal Financial Aid applies using only their estimated income for the year they enroll for training.

An applicant considered a “dependent” under Federal Financial Aid applies using their and their parent(s) combined estimated incomes for the year they enroll for training.