



Soroptimist International of Truckee Donner

Career Advancement Scholarship Information

Soroptimist International of Truckee Donner (SITD) believes that every woman should have an opportunity to develop her capabilities to the fullest. One approach to support women in this effort is to offer competitive scholarships for women who are continuing their education formal education post-high school.

What types of post-secondary education are supported by SITD's Career Advancement Scholarship:

- Attendance at an accredited or certified technical, vocational or trade school
- Attendance in training course for career enhancement or for licensing fees
- Attendance at a Community College with the intention to transfer to a Bachelor's Degree program
- Attendance in a Two-year Associate Degree program
- Attendance in a Four-year Bachelor's Degree program

Who can apply:

- Women who are at least 18 years old and at least one year post high school
(*Please be aware this scholarship is designed for women who can demonstrate financial need*)
- California and Nevada residents living or working in the eastern Sierra Nevada mountain communities, such as Truckee, Donner Summit, Sierraville, Loyalton, Graeagle, West Lake Tahoe and North Lake Tahoe
- Have been accepted at one of the approved post-secondary educational programs above
(*proof of acceptance is required*)
- NOTE: Applicants who formerly lived or worked in the eastern Sierra Nevada mountain communities, but are currently attending school or college in another are eligible if plans include returning after completion of education
- Those who are able to attend Celebrate the Best for Women SITD award event held the 3rd Thursday of March 6pm-8pm

Award Amount:

- SITD Career Advancement Scholarships awards range up to \$5000
- If awarded, scholarship funds are released in one lump sum upon proof of enrollment at the approved post-secondary educational program

Application Process:

- Application Location: SITD website [Career Advancement Scholarship](#) page
- Application Deadline: January 10th of each calendar year
- Award Notification: No later than March 15th of each calendar year
- Questions: Contact SITD Scholarship Chair at scholarships@sitd.info
- Submit to: scholarships@sitd.info
- Required Documents: Completed application and supporting documents
- Supporting Documents:
 - Proof of acceptance to an approved post-secondary educational program
 - If currently enrolled: Official transcript documenting a minimum 2.5 GPA
 - Letter of Reference from a non-relative attesting to your commitment to higher education
 - Essay highlighting your history, hopes and dreams.



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Career Advancement Scholarship Application

PART 1: BASIC INFORMATION

Name (first, middle initial, last): _____

(Name should be consistent with supporting documents)

Address (number and street address): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Mailing Address (if different than above): _____

Phone: _____ Email (*required*): _____

Date of Birth: _____ Marital Status: _____

High School Graduation or GED Date: _____ Currently enrolled in school (yes/no): _____

How did you hear of our scholarship opportunity? _____

Have you applied for this scholarship before? (yes/no) _____

If yes, were you awarded money? (yes/no) _____ Amount Awarded: _____

PART 2: EDUCATION AND CAREER GOALS

1. Name of the school or training program you are CURRENTLY attending or have been accepted to:

a. Have you been accepted but not yet attending (yes/no): _____

b. Name of program: _____

2. What is your educational goal? _____

(Example: Bachelor of Science, Nursing Degree or Computer Science Certificate)

3. What is your career goal: _____

4. Will you attend courses year round (yes/no): _____

5. Will you attend Part-time or Full-Time: _____

6. Will you be working while you are completing your education (yes/no): _____

a. If yes, what is your occupation: _____

b. How many hours do you work per week: _____

7. History, Hopes & Dreams

In a one to two page, double-spaced essay, tell us a little about yourself, your academic goals and your plans for the future. How will this scholarship help you achieve your goals?

(Include as part of the required supporting documents.)

PART 3: FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Please share information about your **annual income and expenses**. Please be as exact as you can.

Scholarship recipients are chosen in part based on financial need.

1. **INCOME:** Please list your ANNUAL household income

a. Employment: \$_____ per year: Hours per week: _____

b. Scholarships/Grants: \$_____ per year

c. Additional income: \$_____ per year

TOTAL ANNUAL INCOME \$_____ per year

2. Do you anticipate any changes in your annual income for the next year?

3. **EXPENSES:** Please list your personal share of these ANNUAL household expenses.

a. Tuition/Fees: \$_____ per year

b. Books: \$_____ per year

c. Transportation \$_____ per year

4. **DEPENDENTS:** How many dependents, other than yourself, are you responsible for? _____

PART 4: APPLICANT AGREEMENT

Please read the following information carefully. When you print and sign your name below, you are agreeing to what is included in the agreement below.

- I certify that all the information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I will notify Soroptimist International of Truckee Donner if there are any changes.
- I understand that my scholarship award amount, college or school I will attend and career plans may be shared for publicity and media purposes of SITD.
- The specific details around income, expenses and my personal essay provided in this application will be considered strictly confidential unless I specifically grant Soroptimist International of Truckee Donner written permission to release such information for the purpose of publicizing the award.
- I grant permission to Soroptimist International of Truckee Donner to use my name, likeness and/or voice for all publicity purposes and in any media format such as newspapers, magazines, television, radio, film, or internet.

Signature of applicant _____

Print Name _____ Date _____