

2025 APPLICATION FOR DURANGO HIGH NOON ROTARY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

Durango High Noon Rotary Club is awarding multiple scholarships totaling approximately \$30,000. Scholarships will be awarded in amounts from \$1,000 to \$3,000 depending on demonstration of need and merit. Scholarships will be available to the following:

1. Applicants pursuing a four-year **academic degree at a post-secondary college or university.**
2. Applicants pursuing an **associate or vocational/technical degree.**
3. Applicants pursuing a **paramedic degree/certification.**

Information about each of these scholarship types can be found at this website:
[Scholarship Grants - Durango High Noon Rotary](#)

ELIGIBILITY

Scholarships are available to any graduating senior, aspiring higher education student with GED or High School Diploma, or ongoing post-secondary education student in any year. Any student in the Four Corners is eligible. Students of current Rotary members are not eligible for these scholarships.

An applicant for an academic scholarship should have a grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or above. At its discretion, the Scholarship Committee may consider otherwise highly qualified applicants who have shown marked improvement in their GPA during their Junior and Senior years regardless of their GPA. To maintain eligibility for renewal in subsequent years, applicants must maintain a 2.5 or higher GPA.

All Scholarship packages must be **complete** and be received by the March 31, 2025 deadline to be eligible for consideration. **No late applications will be accepted. Instructions for compiling and submitting your application and supporting documents are listed on the Application Checklist (page 2 of this document).**

Our Scholarship Committee Chair, Sonja Shanley, is available to help or answer questions to those completing the application process. Please email scholarships@durangohighnoonrotary.com if you need assistance.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST
(MUST BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED WITH APPLICATION)

The following items are required for your application to be complete and to be considered. Check each line below, to ensure you have included all necessary information and submit the completed checklist as part of the application.

- ___ YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION AND THIS COMPLETED CHECKLIST
- ___ ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPT (CERTIFIED BY GUIDANCE COUNSELOR)
- ___ FAFSA OR CASFA (COLORADO APPLICATION FOR STATE FINANCIAL AID). We only need the electronic Student Aid Report (SAR) page that shows your Student Aid Index (SAI) (SEE NOTE 1 BELOW)
- ___ PERSONAL STATEMENT
- ___ TWO (2) LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION
- ___ APPLICATION AND ALL ATTACHMENTS IN TWO SEPARATE PDF FILES (SEE NOTE 2 BELOW)

NOTES:

1. BE SURE THAT THE STUDENT AID REPORT PORTION OF THE FAFSA DOCUMENT CLEARLY SHOWS YOUR Student Aid Index (SAI) NUMBER. IF OTHER PORTIONS OF THE DOCUMENT STILL SAY 'TRANSFERRED FROM IRS', YOU MIGHT NOT HAVE A CLEAR SAI.
2. THE APPLICATION (pdf 1) and ATTACHMENTS (pdf 2) SHOULD BE SENT AS TWO SEPARATE FILES, WITH ATTACHMENTS ORGANIZED IN THE SAME ORDER AS THE CHECKLIST ABOVE. IF FOR SOME REASON YOU ARE UNABLE TO SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION ELECTRONICALLY, PLEASE CONTACT Sonja Shanley at scholarships@durangohighnoonrotary.com TO REQUEST AN ALTERNATE METHOD OF SUBMITTAL.
3. SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION PACKET, VIA EMAIL TO SCHOLARSHIPS@DURANGOHIGHNOONROTARY.COM BY MARCH 31, 2025.

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(Please print or type. Attach additional pages as necessary. No late applications will be accepted, and no incomplete applications will be considered.)

Personal Information

Full Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ SS Number (last 4 digits only) _____

E-mail address _____

Date of Birth _____ High School _____

Type of Scholarship applying for (you may select more than one assuming you qualify):

Bachelors _____ Vocational _____ Associate _____ Paramedic _____

Academic Record (Required: A copy of your academic transcript and class ranking)

Rank in Class _____ Number in Class _____ GPA _____

For students applying to 4 year college or university:

ACT Scores: English _____ Reading _____ Math _____ Science _____ Composite _____

SAT Scores: Verbal _____ Math _____ Composite _____

Financial Need

Required: A copy of your FAFSA/CASFA (Financial Aid Application) page showing your Student Aid Index (SAI)

Estimate Annual Expenses while attending college as a freshman or your next year of attendance:

Tuition and Fees _____
Books and Supplies _____
Personal Living Expenses _____
Total _____

Expected Sources of Funds during 1st year attendance at institute of higher education:

Parents' Contribution
- including any monthly stipend while in school _____
Student's Savings _____
Earnings while attending college
- including part time job while attending college _____
Scholarships - awarded or anticipated _____
Total _____

Number of brothers or sisters attending college _____

Number of brothers or sisters graduating from High School within 3 years _____

Parents' Professions

Mother _____ Employed? _____ Where? _____
Father _____ Employed? _____ Where? _____

Factors limiting parental contributions

Other Scholarships for which you have applied or been awarded

Scholarship_____ Amount \$_____

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Please state any other reasons affecting your financial need for a scholarship

Personal Profile

Career Objectives

Work Experience (chronologically)

Extra-Curricular Activities

Community Service

Honors and Awards

Educational Objectives

Colleges or Schools to which you have applied (in order of preference)

Intended major field of study

Reasons for applying for this scholarship

Personal Statement

Attach a brief one page statement of your goals in life, hobbies, interests and philosophy of community service. Include a discussion of the reasons underlying your career and educational objectives. Also include any additional information which you believe the Scholarship Committee should also consider in evaluating your application. If you are a Rotary Interact Member, please include dates of membership, service projects, and name/contact info for your Interact Advisor.

Letters of Reference

Attach a minimum of two letters of reference to your application.

Applicant's Signature _____ **Date** _____

Submittal Instructions

Only electronic applications will be accepted. Applications must be submitted as two PDF documents; the application is the 1st PDF and all attachments, organized in the same order as the checklist on page 2, should be combined to make a 2nd PDF. Please submit the two PDF documents in one email to Sonja Shanley, our Scholarship Committee Chair at scholarships@durangohighnoonrotary.com. If for some reason you are unable to submit your application electronically, please contact Sonja to request an alternate method of submittal.

Complete Application packages are due no later than 5pm on Monday, March 31, 2025

ONE FINAL REMINDER - SEE CHECKLIST ON PAGE 2 FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF ITEMS THAT NEED TO BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER FOR YOUR APPLICATION TO BE CONSIDERED. INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS MAY BE REJECTED.