



2016 Scholarship Application



Each year since 1989, the Township Officials of Illinois Scholarship Fund has awarded funds to graduating high school seniors to continue their education at Illinois colleges/universities. A total of \$277,500 has been awarded to 166 students.

Providing scholarships for Illinois students since 1989

Application



Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Township in which you reside _____

County in which you reside _____

Gender: Male Female U.S. Citizen? Yes No Illinois Resident? Yes No

High School _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Expected Graduation Date _____ Class Rank _____ out of _____

Cumulative GPA (on 4.00 scale) _____ ACT Score (composite) _____

College/University attending fall 2016: (must be in Illinois) _____

City _____ State _____

This is a (check one): 2-Year 4-Year Institution

Expected major _____

TOI will award seven \$1,500 scholarships in 2016

My essay of not less than 500 words on *"The Role of Township Government in Today's Society and in the Future"* is attached, with signature, title, township/county of township official who was interviewed.

Name	Title	Township	County
Interviewee's Signature	_____		

Extracurricular Activities (include work experience also)

(If additional space is needed, please attach a separate sheet).

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

To be eligible, you must meet all of the following criteria:

Must be a graduating Illinois high school senior with a minimum GPA of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale.

Must be a U.S. citizen and resident of Illinois. Must plan to attend a university/college in Illinois.

Must have a history of extracurricular activities that demonstrates a willingness to accept leadership responsibilities (student government, club officer, etc.) or a commitment to civic responsibility, social consciousness and a willingness to serve the community (community service projects, volunteer activities with local service agencies or charitable institutions, etc.)

Must submit a 500-word essay on *The Role of Township Government in Today's Society and in the Future* that will include information gained from an interview with a township official.

Must submit two letters of recommendation from teachers, counselors, local officials or business people.

Must submit an official high school transcript.

Must submit a cover letter and completed application form.

Checklist

- Cover Letter.** Please submit a cover letter requesting consideration of your Scholarship Application. You must be planning to attend a university/college in Illinois to be eligible.
- Application.** All sections of this application must be completed. The student must sign and date the application.
- Essay.** The student must write a 500-word essay on *"The Role of Township Government in Today's Society and in the Future"* that will include information from an interview of a township official. The township official interviewed **must** sign this application for student to be eligible.
- Transcript.** Submit an official high school transcript indicating your most recent academic work including fall semester 2015.
- Two Letters of Recommendation**
- Signature of Township Official Interviewed**



*All checklist items must be submitted together for a complete application.
No exceptions will be made and all decisions are final.
Faxes will not be accepted.*

*All applicants should expect to receive written notification of
a decision on their application after April 1, 2016
Notification of an award will not be given by telephone.*

*One application will be sufficient for consideration for
any scholarship offered by Township Officials of Illinois during the year it is submitted.*

Any questions may be directed to TOI at 217-744-2212 or amy@toi.org.

Please mail your completed application, postmarked no later than March 1, 2016 to:

**Township Officials of Illinois
Attn.: Scholarship Committee
3217 Northfield Drive
Springfield, Illinois 62702**