**Application**

Name

Mailing Address

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Township in which you reside

County in which you reside

U.S. Citizen? • Yes • No Illinois Resident? • Yes • No

High School:

City \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Expected Graduation Date Cumulative GPA\* College/University attending Fall 2025: (must be in Illinois)

School Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ City in Illinois \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Expected Major:

\***Please provide your *official sealed* transcript. Check with your school guidance department to verify that your transcript is official.**

\***Applications are now submittable via email only in a PDF format to the TOI office at** **debbie@toi.org**.

***TOI will award seven $2,000 scholarships in 2025***

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. This MUST be **an elected township official who serves on a township board in Illinois.** Please contact our office if you have any questions.

Name Title Township County

Interviewee’s Signature

**Extracurricular Activities (also include work experience)**

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

Signature of Applicant: Date:

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

Must be a graduating Illinois high school senior.

Must be applying to attend a university/college located in Illinois. Awards may not be deferred. If you need to change schools after being awarded a scholarship, please contact the TOI office as soon as possible.

Must be a U.S. citizen and resident of Illinois.

Must plan to attend a university/college in Illinois as a full-time student.

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 an **elected** township official.

Must submit two letters of recommendation from teachers, counselors, local officials or businesspeople. Must submit an official high school transcript.

Must submit a cover letter and completed application form.

This application may be submitted online or mailed through the USPS. All submissions must be dated and post marked no later than 12:00 AM on March 1, 2025. **All emailed submissions must have attachments separated and in a .pdf format.**

*All applicants should expect to receive written notification of a decision after April 1, 2025.*

*All scholarship awards are disbursed directly to the award recipient’s school and must be used for the*

*2025-2026 academic year, awards may not be deferred.*

2025 Scholarship Application

 ***Carolyn Langan Scholarship Delbert Miller Scholarship***

 ***William Ahrends Scholarship Robert Turner Scholarship***

 ***Barbara Behm Scholarship George H Miller Scholarship***

 ***Troy Kost Scholarship***

Each year, since 1989, the Township Officials of Illinois Scholarship Fund awards funds to graduating high school seniors to continue their education at Illinois colleges/universities.

A total of $389,500 has been awarded to 229 students.

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

Please mail or email your completed application to debbie@toi.org, postmarked no later than **March 1, 2025** to:

Township Officials of Illinois Attn.: Scholarship Committee 3217 Northfield Drive

Springfield, Illinois 62702

*Providing scholarships for Illinois students since 1989*