Application



Name			
Mailing Address			
City, State, Zip	Phone	Email	
Township in which you reside			
County in which you reside			
U.S. Citizen? • Yes • No Ill	linois Resident? • Yes • No		
High School			
City	State	Zip	
Expected Graduation Date	Cumulative GPA*		
College/University attending Fal	l 2024: (must be in Illinois)		
School Name	С	City in Illinois	
Expected Major:			

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



TOI will award seven \$2,000 scholarships in 2024

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

Township

County

Interviewee's Signature

Extracurricular Activities (also include work experience)

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

Title

By submitting this application, _______ agrees that the included essay was written Applicant Name

without assistance from Artificial Intelligence (AI) such as ChatGPT or other AI text bots.

Signature of Applicant: ____

Date:

To be eligible, you must meet <u>all</u> of 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 business people.
- Must submit an official high school transcript.
- Must submit a cover letter and completed application form.
- Must be mailed or submitted online no later than March 1, 2024. *Faxed or emailed applications will <u>not</u> be accepted.*

All applicants should expect to receive written notification of a decision after April 1, 2024. All scholarship awards are disbursed directly to the award recipient's school and must be used for the 2024-2025 academic year, awards may not be deferred.



2024 Scholarship Application



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 \$375,500 has been awarded to 222 students.

Any questions may be directed to TOI at 217-744-2212 or <u>kayla@toi.org.</u>

Please mail your completed application, postmarked no later than March 1, 2024 to:

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

Providing scholarships for Illinois students since 1989