



Scholarships & Forgivable Loans for Vermonters

For students attending college and training in 2026–2027



**Submission/
postmark deadline**
for all VSAC-assisted scholarships:
February 11, 2026

*Vermont residency required,
unless otherwise specified.*

Scholarships and forgivable loans are competitive.

Here's your checklist for success:

- ☐ Know the deadlines; refer to the timeline below.
- ☐ Carefully review the eligibility and document requirements for **all** scholarships and forgivable loans.
- ☐ Submit the Unified Scholarship Application (USA) and all required documents early—before the February 11 submission/postmark deadline.
- ☐ Check each document before you submit it: Are your name and the document name on each document?
- ☐ Check your MyVSAC account (click on “Work with Scholarships & Forgivable Loans”) to confirm receipt of all application documents.

Questions? Contact the **VSAC Scholarships Program**.

TOLL-FREE: **888-253-4819** BURLINGTON AREA: **802-654-3798** EMAIL: **scholarships@vsac.org**
WEB: **vsac.org/vsacscholarships**

Scholarships **Timeline**

Scholarships and forgivable loans awarded in 2026 will be applied toward education expenses incurred during the 2026–2027 academic year.

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| Starting October 1, 2025 | <p>Complete the 2026–2027 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at studentaid.gov/fafsa.</p> <p>Review scholarships and forgivable loans and identify those for which you meet all eligibility requirements.</p> <p>Submit the 2026–2027 Unified Scholarship Application (USA) online at secureacctaccess.vsaac.org/myvsac/.</p> <p>Request recommendation letters from your teachers, employers, community service agencies, etc.</p> <p>Begin submitting all required documents (transcripts, essays, recommendation letters, etc.).</p> <p>Submit the 2026–2027 Vermont Grant application.</p> <p>View the status of your scholarship applications online through MyVSAC at secureacctaccess.vsaac.org/myvsac/.</p> |
| On or before February 11, 2026 | <p>SUBMISSION/POSTMARK DEADLINE!</p> <p>The USA and all required documents must be submitted or postmarked on or before this date.</p> |
| Beginning May 1, 2026 | <p>VSAC will begin notifying students of scholarships for which they were chosen as recipients. Check your MyVSAC account (click on “Work with Scholarships & Forgivable Loans”) for the status of all scholarships and forgivable loans.</p> |
| Before June 1, 2026 | <p>Colleges and universities can view the scholarships and forgivable loans awarded to students attending their institution through the college/university's MyVSAC account.</p> |
| On or around July 1, 2026 | <p>VSAC will begin notifying students of forgivable loans for which they were selected as recipients. Check your MyVSAC account (click on “Work with Scholarships & Forgivable Loans”) for the status of all scholarships and forgivable loans.</p> |



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For more information about applying for VSAC-assisted scholarships and forgivable loans, visit **vsac.org/vsacscholarships**.

Unified Scholarship Application **Checklist**

- ☐ Make note of the deadline: February 11, 2026. Your completed USA and **all** required documents must be received by this date.
- ☐ Read the entire booklet to identify **all** the scholarships you are eligible for **before** completing the USA.
- ☐ Note the Scholarship IDs you identify in your review in the chart below, and include these in your USA; make sure to select all the scholarship IDs that you want to apply for before submitting your USA.

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- ☐ As you review the booklet, make a list of all required documents needed to complete your application.

Most common required documents — one or more of these are typically required; check each description:

- ☐ General essay (required for nearly **every** scholarship and forgivable loan — include preference statement, if applicable)
- ☐ Non-relative letter
- ☐ Community service letter
- ☐ Transcript
- ☐ Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

Less common required documents — may not be required; check each description:

- ☐ Letter – Visual/Performing Arts
- ☐ Letter – Samara and Essay Samara
- ☐ Essay – scholarship-specific
- ☐ Memberships
- ☐ Certification – see each scholarship description
- ☐ Portfolio

Be sure to list your name and the type of required document (ex. General Essay) at the top of each required document.

Applying for **VSAC-Assisted Scholarships**

Who should apply?

- Students attending (or planning to attend) a college, university or training program within the United States or Canada who are:
 - United States citizens (or eligible non-citizens), and
 - Vermont residents (unless the scholarship specifies otherwise).

How to apply

- Scholarships listed on pages 8–44 require the **Unified Scholarship Application (USA)**.
- Complete the USA in your MyVSAC account at **secureacctaccess.vsoc.org/myvsac/**
 - If you don't have a MyVSAC account, click on "Register Now" and follow the instructions.
- Each scholarship usually requires at least one additional required document. Submit your **required documents** online through your MyVSAC account.
- Scholarships on pages 52-68 are not processed by VSAC and **do not** require the USA. Refer to the scholarship descriptions in that section for application instructions.

When to apply

- The USA is available October 1, 2025.
- The deadline to submit the USA and all required documents for all scholarships is **February 11, 2026**.

How to check the status of your application

- Check the status of your application through your MyVSAC account online at **vsac.org**—click on "Work with Scholarships & Forgivable Loans."

See the "VSAC-Assisted Forgivable Loans" section on page 45 for information about applying for forgivable loans.

More About Required Documents

- Each individual scholarship and forgivable loan description indicates the documents that must be submitted for your application to be complete.
- We'll send copies of your documents (for the scholarships and forgivable loans you've listed on your application) to any committee that requires it; you need to submit your documents only once.
- **Put your name at the top of each document.**
 - If you are mailing documents to VSAC, include the last four digits of your Social Security number on each document.
- Click on "Work with Scholarships & Forgivable Loans."
- Click on "Required Documents," then on the "Upload Required Documents" button.

Please note: Some high schools can upload documents to VSAC on behalf of their students. Please check with your high school to determine whether it has signed up to use this service.

If you're unable to upload your required documents online, you can send them by mail to:

VSAC Scholarships Program
PO Box 2000
Winooski, VT 05404-2601

Once you've submitted your Unified Scholarship Application (USA), upload required documents through your MyVSAC account as soon as they are ready. To upload your required documents:

- Log into your MyVSAC account (use the same username you used when you submitted your USA).

Remember, if you're mailing a document to VSAC, every document must include the document name, your full name, and the last four digits of your Social Security number.

| Required Document | Details |
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| Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) | <p>If you're a Vermont resident, your FAFSA will be received by VSAC automatically, once processed; you do not need to send a FAFSA Submission Summary.</p> <p>If you're not a Vermont resident, you will need to send a copy of your 2026–2027 FAFSA Submission Summary.</p> |
| Recommendation letters | See page 5 for more information. Do not send more than one type of recommendation letter unless it's specifically required by the scholarship (see each scholarship description). |
| Essays | See page 6 for more information. The general essay is required for every VSAC-assisted scholarship and most forgivable loans in this booklet. |
| Transcript | <p>A transcript must be from the most recent school you attended and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• include grades through the applicable academic year• include a calculated GPA or proficiency-based GPA• include the student's name, the school the transcript is from, and the school-year semesters that the grades are for <p>If you're a graduating high school senior and have never attended a college or training school after high school graduation, submit a transcript from the most recent high school you attended.</p> <p>If you've attended a college or training school after high school graduation, submit a transcript from the most recent college, university, or training school you attended. <i>Do not submit a high school transcript.</i></p> <p>If you received a GED, submit a report of your GED test results instead of a transcript from a high school.</p> <p>If you were home-schooled, submit a home-school transcript.</p> <p>If you attended an Alternative Pathways High School through Act 77, submit a proficiency-based transcript.</p> |
| Other required documents | <p>If a scholarship requires additional documents, the document(s) will be listed in the description. Other required documents should be submitted on a separate sheet of paper labeled with the document name, your full name, and the last four digits of your Social Security number.</p> |

Required Documents: **Recommendation Letters**

We recommend you copy this page and share with the person(s) you've selected to write your recommendation letter(s). Request the recommendation letter(s) at least a month prior to the deadline to give the writer sufficient time to write the letter. Remember, this is their opportunity to speak directly to the scholarship committee. Their letter should address the areas described in the letter content section below.

Must be on official letterhead and/or signed.

- Refer to each scholarship and forgivable loan description on pages 8–50 to determine which of the recommendation letters you're required to submit. Do not send more than one of the same type of recommendation letter (for example, not more than one Letter #1) **unless** the scholarship specifically requires it.
- Each recommendation letter must be written by the individual designated by the applicant, be on official letterhead (school, business, college, organization, etc.), and/or be physically signed by the individual who wrote the letter. Letters not signed or not on official letterhead cannot be authenticated. This may influence committee selection of a recipient.
- Letters can be sent via mail from the letter writer directly to VSAC.

Send properly labeled recommendation letter(s) to VSAC

Upload to: **vsac.org** (through your MyVSAC account) OR

Mail to: VSAC Scholarships Program
PO Box 2000
Winooski, VT 05404-2601

Please note: Some high schools can upload documents to VSAC on behalf of their students. Please check with your high school to determine whether it has signed up to use this service.

| LETTER # | LETTER NAME | LETTER CONTENT |
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| 1 | NON-RELATIVE | Letter must be from someone who is NOT related to the applicant —for example, a counselor, guidance director, academic advisor, teacher, professor, principal, academic dean, employer, business leader, neighbor, or family friend. The letter must address the applicant's: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • achievements/strengths • talent/potential for success • community/school involvement • character/initiative/leadership • commitment to completing their education beyond high school • commitment to their chosen career/field of study • education/work ethic |
| 2 | COMMUNITY SERVICE | Letter must focus on the applicant's commitment to their community. Preferably this letter should be from a community service provider or organization (not related to the applicant). |
| 3 | VISUAL/PERFORMING ARTS | Letter must be from a visual or performing arts (music, dance, and theater) instructor, director, or organization (not related to the applicant) and must address the applicant's: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • visual/performing arts activities • talent/potential, and • honors/achievements |
| 4 | SAMARA | Your letter must be from someone who is not related to you and must address your commitment to the 2SLGBTQIA+ community. Letters can be from school staff and can also be from a friend, co-worker, or someone outside of the school setting who may be more closely connected to you. |

Required Documents: **Essays**

The essay is your opportunity to speak directly to the scholarship committee(s).

- The **general essay** is required for all VSAC-assisted scholarships and most forgivable loans in this booklet.
- The **general essay** must include **all** four focus areas below.
- Scholarship and forgivable loan descriptions sometimes ask you **to include specific information in your general essay**; be sure to read each scholarship description carefully to ensure that you provide the information requested.
- Each essay must be written by the applicant and **should include the applicant's name and last four digits of their Social Security number at the top** (*see sample on right*). The sample essay is not traditional; however, scholarship committees find it useful to have each focus area broken out.

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| ESSAY # | ESSAY NAME | ESSAY CONTENT |
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| 1 | GENERAL ESSAY (minimum 250 words) | <p>Your essay should include each of the following focus areas:</p> <p>Scholarship-specific criteria</p> <p>Some scholarship descriptions ask you to include specific information in your general essay. Be sure to read each scholarship description carefully to ensure you provide the information requested.</p> <p>Commitment/goals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe your interest in and commitment to the career or program of study you've chosen to pursue. Include one or more experiences in your life that helped you decide to pursue your chosen career or program. Explain how completing the particular program you've chosen will enhance your career/vocation and/or increase your opportunities for future success/employment. Describe your short- and long-term academic, career, and/or employment goals. Include where you hope to live and work once you've completed your educational program. <p>Financial need</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Address any family or financial information and/or circumstances that have an impact on your ability to pay for college. Describe any financial barriers or obstacles that limit your access to education after high school. <p>Community service</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe the specific types of service and the impact that your participation in community service has had on your life. <p>Uniqueness</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe what you believe might distinguish your application from others submitted. Include experiences that have contributed to your personal growth, as well as any hardships and/or challenges that you've faced and overcome. If applicable, talk about what it means to you to be a first-generation college-bound student (neither parent has earned a four-year college degree). Include any special awards or honors you've received, as well as any extracurricular activities, groups, or performances in which you've been involved. Include specific examples of service, hardship, etc., if the scholarship description asks you to. Include barriers or obstacles that limit your access to education after high school. |
| 2 | SCHOLARSHIP-SPECIFIC ESSAY—SAMARA (minimum 500 words) | If you listed SAMARA as one of the scholarships for which you are applying, describe how you have supported the empowerment, health, and safety of 2SLGBTQIA+ people in your school or community. We would also like to know how your journey to understand your own identity has impacted your educational goals. Please include your name and pronouns in your essay. |
| 3 | SCHOLARSHIP-SPECIFIC ESSAY—Identity & Community | If you listed CLARK as one of the scholarships for which you are applying, as a student from a historically underrepresented community, especially BIPOC and/or Multilingual Learner, describe how your experience and interests impacted both your decision to pursue your higher education and career goals and your dedication to serving the interests of underrepresented communities. |

How to Read A **Scholarship/Forgivable Loan Description**

The VSAC-assisted scholarships and forgivable loans on pages 8–50 are listed alphabetically by **VSAC ID**. Other scholarships on pages 52–68 are listed alphabetically by **name**. Each description provides information about the scholarship, eligibility requirements, and selection criteria. Review each scholarship description carefully to see if you may be eligible to apply.

VSAC ID

You'll need this code in order to complete the USA for all VSAC-assisted scholarships (pages 8–50).

Type of College or Training Program You Need to Be Enrolled in to Be Eligible (more than one may apply)

Any program: Any program is acceptable.

Cert program: Certificate program

Degree program: Undergraduate, graduate, or professional degree program

Graduate (or Grad) program: Graduate or professional degree program

Non-Degree (or ND) program: A non-degree, non-certificate program

Undergrad program: Undergraduate (associate or bachelor's) degree program

Number of Credits Needed

Any enrollment: Any number of credits

Full time: Minimum of 12 credits/term

3/4 time: Minimum of 9 credits/term

1/2 time: Minimum of 6 credits/term

1/4 time: Minimum of 3 credits/term

Type of Student Eligible

Any student: Any student may apply.

Adult students: You must be considered an independent student for financial aid purposes (see FAFSA guidelines at studentaid.gov/dependency).

College students: You must already be enrolled in and attending college when you apply.

Graduate students: You must have already received a four-year undergraduate degree and be enrolled in graduate or professional-level coursework.

High school students: You must be a high school senior who will earn a diploma or GED by the start of the upcoming school year.

VSACEXAMPLE

Any student

Cert or Undergrad program

3/4 time

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Example Scholarship

(sponsored by the Vermont Chapter of the National Organization for Scholarships)

The Vermont Chapter of the National Organization for Scholarships established this scholarship to encourage Vermont students with a passion for and commitment to their chosen field to pursue education or training in this profession after high school.

Eligibility:

- Seek a degree/certification in a specific major
- Be among the first generation in your family to attend a college or university
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Renewability: May be renewable for up to three additional years.

Amount: Maximum one \$2,500 scholarship

Selection: Essay, recommendation letter, financial need, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 20

Estimated awards: 1

Other Scholarships

Application deadline for all other scholarships on pages 52–68.

First-Generation

You're first-gen if neither of your parents received a bachelor's degree, or if you regularly reside with and receive support from only one parent and that parent did not receive a bachelor's degree.

Required Documents

This section lists all of the documents you must submit to VSAC in order for your application to be complete. Remember that all VSAC-assisted scholarships require that you complete the Unified Scholarship Application (USA) available at vsac.org/vsacscholarships.

Eligibility Criteria

This section includes the specific criteria you must meet in order to be eligible for this scholarship (type of school, major or field of study, town or county of residence, and whether you must demonstrate academic achievement, financial need, community service, etc.). You're eligible to apply **ONLY IF** you meet all of the criteria listed.

Selection

This section lists, in order of importance, the documents and criteria that the selection committee will consider when choosing one or more recipients.

Renewability

If applicable, this section will appear in the description and will indicate the number of years for which the scholarship may be renewable. Instructions and details for renewal the following year will be included in the letter notifying you of the award if you're chosen as a recipient.

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| Any student | Undergrad program | 1/2 time |
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American Institute of Architects Vermont Scholar Promise Award

(sponsored by the American Institute of Architects-Vermont)

The American Institute of Architects Vermont Chapter created this scholarship to encourage students to enter the field of architecture.

Eligibility:

- Seek an undergraduate degree in architecture
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.85 cumulative GPA on a 4.00 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement
- Demonstrate entrepreneurial skills, endeavors, and/or achievements
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #2 (community service), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One to two scholarships up to \$2,000, but no less than \$1,000

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, recommendation letters, and essay

Estimated applicants: 38

Estimated awards: 2

ALANNAS

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| High school students | Undergrad program | Full time |
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The Alannas Scholarship

This scholarship was established in honor of Alan and Ann Schwartz, parents who provided strong encouragement for their children to pursue postsecondary education despite considerable financial adversity. First-generation applicants will recognize sacrifices their parent(s) made while maintaining strong work ethics and instilling these characteristics in their children.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior, among the first generation in your family to attend college/university, and recognize the sacrifices your parent(s) have made to support you in your pursuit of a postsecondary education
- Be a current participant in the VSAC Talent Search program or GEAR UP Priority program
- Enroll full time in an undergraduate degree program
- Demonstrate financial need
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.8 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans).

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship*

Selection: Essay, financial need, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 215

Estimated awards: 1

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

ANDERSON

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| Any student | Cert or Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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Anderson Scholarship

This one- or two-year scholarship is created to provide education for Vermont students to attain a certificate or associate (two-year) degree in an applied technical field. This scholarship is based on financial need and a demonstrated desire to achieve skills needed to support the Vermont economy. It is not based on past academic performance.

Eligibility:

- Seek a certificate or associate (two-year) degree in a technical field (*preference given to applicants with no previous degree*)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate potential for success
- Attend an accredited school (*preference given to students attending a Vermont-accredited school*)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative from school or employer), and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: \$2,000–\$4,000 per year

Selection: Financial need, essay, recommendation letter, and personal interview

Estimated applicants: 135

Estimated awards: 11

ANDREWS

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| Any student | Degree program | Any enrollment |
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Jean Andrews Nursing Scholarship

(sponsored by Porter Medical Center Auxiliary)

This scholarship was created to encourage students to enter the nursing profession.

Eligibility:

- Reside or work in Addison County (*if working in Addison County, must speak to this in your essay*)
- Seek an undergraduate, graduate, or professional degree in registered nursing or nursing education
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application and essay #1 (general essay—*speak to working in Addison County, if applicable*)

Amount: Four \$5,000 scholarships

Selection: Essay

Estimated applicants: 41

Estimated awards: 4

Your electronic signature is required on the Unified Scholarship Application (USA).

A missing signature prevents VSAC from sharing with scholarship committees any of the information or documents you submit for consideration.

ASCUTNEYMT

| High school students | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Ascutney Mountain Audubon Society Scholarship

This scholarship was established to assist a graduating high school senior who lives in a designated Vermont town and who has demonstrated a strong commitment to the environment.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Andover, Athens, Baltimore, Bellows Falls, Bridgewater, Cavendish, Chester, Grafton, Hartland, Londonderry, Ludlow, Plymouth, Pomfret, Reading, Rockingham, Springfield, Weathersfield, Westminster, Weston, West Windsor, Windsor, or Woodstock
- Be a current high school senior seeking a bachelor's (four-year) degree
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate community involvement/service that is specifically related to preserving and/or conserving the environment
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay; *include community involvement/service specifically related to preserving and/or conserving the environment*), and transcript

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,500*

Selection: Essay, recommendation letter, academic achievement, and personal interview (if necessary)

Estimated applicants: 61

Estimated awards: 1

ASHTON

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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The Robert E. Ashton, Jr., Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by family and friends of Robert E. Ashton, Jr.)

This scholarship was established in honor of St. Albans resident and long-time, dedicated Bellows Free Academy (BFA) teacher Robert E. Ashton, Jr. In addition to teaching for 40 years, Mr. Ashton also held other positions at BFA, including chair of the English department, Athletic Director, and coach of baseball, football, track, basketball, and golf. This scholarship was created to provide financial support to a graduate of BFA St. Albans who has taken initiative to overcome challenges, and who demonstrates financial need, academic achievement, a strong work ethic, and leadership qualities.

Eligibility:

- Graduate or have graduated from Bellows Free Academy, St. Albans
- Reside in Franklin County
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Preference given to applicants that demonstrate school/community involvement/service

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and transcript

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$2,000 awarded annually*

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 43

Estimated awards: 1

AWCULINARY

| High school students | Cert or Degree program | NEW! Any enrollment |
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Alex Williams Culinary Scholarship

(sponsored by Stephen and Christine Williams and family)

This scholarship was established to honor the memory of Alex Williams and his passion for cooking. Alex was a 2020 graduate of the culinary arts program at the Central Vermont Career Center. Alex was a free-spirit, avid "foodie", and chef in the making who always aspired to help others.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior
- Seek a degree or certification in the culinary arts
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, essay #1 (general essay), and one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative)

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$1,000 awarded annually

Selection: Essay and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: TBD

Estimated awards: TBD

BARRA

| Any student | Any program | Full time |
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The Carolyn Barra Scholarship

Carolyn Barra was an Essex High School student who was gifted academically, active in the performing arts, and dedicated to community service. Carolyn died as a result of complications of pulmonary hypertension disorder in her senior year, and this scholarship was established to honor her memory and her special spirit.

Eligibility:

- Graduating or have graduated from Essex High School
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate activity in performing arts (drama, music, etc.)
- Demonstrate community involvement and service
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #3 (visual/performing arts), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One \$3,000 scholarship*

Selection: Recommendation letters, essay, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 19

Estimated awards: 1

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

BINGHAM

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| High school students | Cert, Undergrad, or ND program | NEW! Full time |
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The Michael E. Bingham Vocational Scholarship

This scholarship was established by "Vermont Mike," who had an exciting career—beginning with the Peace Corps, and followed by seismic oil exploration and land surveying. This scholarship supports students who want to pursue careers in the trades.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior who resides in Addison County
- Seek an undergraduate degree, or enroll in a certificate or non-degree program
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative)

Renewability: May be renewable for up to one additional year.

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Financial need, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: TBD

Estimated awards: TBD

BLAKEJEN

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| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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The Blakely/Jensen South Hero Scholarship

Beverly J. and G. Barry "Skip" Blakely established this scholarship to honor their family's work ethic, inspired by their parents. They wish to support South Hero students at any level of postsecondary education and at any point in their lives, by providing them with the ability to pursue their dreams.

Eligibility:

- Reside in South Hero, Vermont
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate financial need
- Preference given to students who demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.7 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Preference given to students who demonstrate school/community involvement

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and transcript

Amount: One scholarship up to \$2,000

Selection: Essay, financial need, academic achievement, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 8

Estimated awards: 1

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| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Mark Blucher Planning Scholarship

(sponsored by Rutland Regional Planning Commission)

This scholarship was created to recognize Mr. Blucher's 39 years of service to the Rutland Regional Planning Commission, as well as his commitment to education. This scholarship is offered to Rutland County students who demonstrate an interest in land use planning or a related field of study.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Vermont (*preference given to residents of Rutland County*)
- Seek a degree in land use planning, legal studies, political studies, emergency services, agriculture, environmental studies, forestry, wildlife management, geography/history, automotive/motorcycle, architecture, economics, or civil engineering (*preference given to applicants seeking education in land use planning*)
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #2 (community service), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000*

Selection: Essay, recommendation letters, academic achievement, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 161

Estimated awards: 1

BOARD-DC

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| Any student | Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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VSAC Board of Directors Scholarship (David Coates)

VSAC established this scholarship to honor the contributions David Coates made as a VSAC board member from April 2008 to June 2019.

Eligibility:

- Seek an associate or bachelor's degree in business, accounting, or finance
- Be among the first generation in your family to attend college (neither parent received a bachelor's degree)
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000

Selection: Financial need, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 101

Estimated awards: 1

* There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

BOARD-DO

| High school students | Any program | 1/2 time |
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VSAC Board of Directors Scholarship (Dennis O'Brien) (sponsored by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation)

VSAC established this scholarship to honor the contributions Dennis O'Brien made as a VSAC board member from 2007 to 2021. This scholarship will assist children of immigrants (who migrated to the United States within the past 25 years) to pursue a postsecondary education.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior
- Be a child of immigrants to the United States; speak to this in your general essay
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay—*speak to your parent(s)' status as an immigrant; who migrated and when*), and transcript

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essay, financial need, recommendation letter, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 79

Estimated awards: 1

BOARD-PC

| Any student | Cert, Undergrad, or ND program | 1/2 time |
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VSAC Board of Directors Scholarship (Pamela Chisholm)

(sponsored by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation)

VSAC established this scholarship to honor the contributions Pamela Chisholm made as a VSAC board member from July 2003 to June 2021. This scholarship is created to assist first generation students, with preference given to students who are attending or did attend the Community College of Vermont with plans to continue their postsecondary education. Recipients may re-apply in subsequent years.

Eligibility:

- Enroll at least half time in an undergraduate degree, certificate, or non-degree program (*preference given to students who are attending or did attend CCV with plans to continue their postsecondary education—speak to this in your essay*)
- Reside in Washington County
- Be among the first generation in your family to attend college (*neither parent received a bachelor's degree—speak to this in your essay*)
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay—if attending or attended CCV, *speak to your plans for continued post secondary education*), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and transcript

Amount: Two \$2,000 scholarships

Selection: Essay, financial need, academic achievement, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 49

Estimated awards: 2

BOARD-VCL

| College students | Undergrad program | 3/4 time |
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VSAC Board of Directors Scholarship (Virginia Cole-Levesque)

(sponsored by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation)

VSAC established this scholarship to honor the contributions Virginia Cole-Levesque made as a VSAC board member from July 2005 through June 2015.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Rutland or Windsor County
- Be a current college student seeking an undergraduate degree in health care or science
- Enroll at least three-quarter time
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #2 (community service), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Renewability: May be renewable for up to one additional year.

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, recommendation letters, and essay

Estimated applicants: 103

Estimated awards: 1

BOUCHARD

| Any student | Any program | 3/4 time |
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The Brighter Future Kyle Bouchard Scholarship

(sponsored by Ariel Love along with family, friends, and community)

This scholarship was created by Ariel Love, along with family, friends, and coworkers of Kyle Bouchard, lifelong community member, former Lamoille Union Student Assistance Program counselor and former part-time deputy at Lamoille County Sheriff's Department. The scholarship was established to honor his selfless contributions to improving the community.

Eligibility:

- Seek a degree in psychology, social work, counseling, human services, education, or restorative justice
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend a **Vermont state college/university** (Vermont State University, University of Vermont, Community College of Vermont)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and transcript

Amount: Up to two \$1,000 scholarships

Selection: Academic achievement, essay, recommendation letter, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 244

Estimated awards: 2

BOUDREAU

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| Any student | Cert or Non-Degree program | Full time |
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William Boudreau Memorial Scholarship for Licensed Nursing Assistants

(sponsored by the William Boudreau Trust)

The William Boudreau Trust established this scholarship in 2010 to honor the memory and generosity of longtime Barton resident and farmer William Boudreau. This scholarship provides financial assistance to Orleans County residents who wish to become licensed nursing assistants.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Orleans County
- Attend a licensed non-degree nursing assistant program **within Vermont**, certified by the State Board of Nursing
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate financial need

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application and essay #1 (general essay; *describe any significant financial barriers that limit your access to education*)

Amount: Up to six \$1,000 scholarships*

Selection: Essay and financial need

Estimated applicants: 12

Estimated awards: 1

BOUTIND

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| Any student | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Dale A. Boutin Scholarship

This scholarship honors Dale Boutin, a woman who has a strong belief in the power of education, and whose educational pursuits range from biochemistry to landscape painting or music composition. She continues to learn new skills and encourages others to pursue postsecondary education.

Eligibility:

- Be among the first generation in your family to attend college/university
- Be an independent student or be a dependent student from a single-parent household seeking an undergraduate degree
- Reside in Burlington, Barton, Glover, West Glover, Orleans, Irasburg, or Newport
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: Two \$1,500 scholarships

Selection: Financial need, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 56

Estimated awards: 2

BRADLEY

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| High school students | Cert, Undergrad, or ND program | 1/2 time |
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Harry and Vi Bradley Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by Vermont Law Enforcement Hockey Charities, Inc.)

The Vermont Law Enforcement Hockey Charities, Inc., created this scholarship to provide financial support to a student involved in team sports who intends to pursue a career in public safety. The Bradleys were ardent supporters of the Vermont Law Enforcement Hockey Charities, Inc., for many years, enabling the Corporation to provide charitable contributions to youth groups around the state.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior seeking an undergraduate degree or non-degree certificate in public safety, including, but not limited to, emergency medical services, fire service, health care, or law enforcement
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement
- Face significant barriers or obstacles that limit your access to education after high school
- Attend an accredited school located **within Vermont** and approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #2 (community service), and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000*

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letters, and essay

Estimated applicants: 114

Estimated awards: 1

BURROUGHS

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| Any student | Cert or Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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Lt. Col. Dale A. Burroughs Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by Newbury Alumni Association)

This scholarship was established to honor the memory of Lt. Col. Dale Burroughs, a 1957 graduate of Newbury High School and UVM who lost his life in a parachute accident. Dale was a 22-year veteran of the U.S. Army, serving in Vietnam and earning the silver and bronze stars. He was lieutenant colonel and commander of the 2nd Battalion of the Special Forces Group, the Green Berets, at Fort Bragg, NC.

Eligibility:

- Reside in the town of Newbury, Vermont
- Graduate or have graduated from Oxbow High School
- Seek a certificate or undergraduate degree in the field of science or agriculture
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and transcript

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship*

Selection: Essay, recommendation letter, financial need, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 4

Estimated awards: 1

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

CAMPITELLI

| High school students | Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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Scott Campitelli Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by Media Factory)

This scholarship was created to honor Scott Campitelli's deep passion for community media, lifelong learning, and free speech. It is offered to any Vermont high school senior who is pursuing an education in radio, television, broadcasting, or film.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior
- Seek an undergraduate degree in Communications (radio, television, broadcasting, or film)
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #2 (community service), transcript and an electronic portfolio of short video or audio submission of your work.

Portfolio must:

- be provided as a website that provides short video or audio examples of your work (please verify the quality of the video or audio files prior to submitting);
- include a description of each piece stating what it represents, the medium or software, and technique(s) used; and
- include your full name and date of birth.

Amount: One \$2,000 scholarship*

Selection: Portfolio, recommendation letters, essay, academic achievement, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 34

Estimated awards: 1

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CHAFEE

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Vermont John H. Chafee Education and Training Scholarship

(sponsored by the federal government)

This scholarship was established for youth with experience in foster care. The mission of this program is to help young adults prepare for and enter training or educational institutions after high school. Funding for this program is conditional upon annual federal approval.

Eligibility:

- Experienced Department for Children and Families (DCF) custody after the age of 14 (after age 16 if exited to adoption or legal guardianship)
- Be under the age of 26 and have not participated in the program for more than five years (years do not have to be consecutive)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans) or post-secondary vocational institutions as defined in the Higher Education Act of 1965

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, and Vermont grant application (vsac.org/grants)

Amount: Scholarships generally range from \$1,000 to \$3,000 and may not exceed \$5,000. The amount disbursed cannot exceed your total cost of attendance as defined by federal aid (tuition, fees, room, board, books, and personal expenses) **minus** your student aid index (SAI) and all other sources of gift aid combined.

Selection: Eligibility

Estimated applicants: N/A

Estimated awards: N/A

CLARK

| Any student | Degree | 3/4 time |
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Richard Clark Teacher Diversity Scholarship

This scholarship seeks to support Black, Indigenous, and other people of color (BIPOC) and/or multilingual (ML) students who intend to become teachers or other licensed educators such as a nurse, guidance counselor, etc. (hopefully in a Vermont school). Amongst Vermont preK-12 students, parents, and staff alike, there is a recognized need to increase the racial and linguistic diversity of Vermont educators, and this scholarship aims to assist in that effort.

Eligibility:

- Seek a degree in education—this can include any educator program that results in a preK-12 license for a teacher, nurse, or guidance counselor
- Enroll at least three-quarter time
- Identify as one or more of the following: BIPOC, Latinx, Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI), Indigenous, Black, Hispanic, and/or Multilingual Learner (ML) – English Learner (EL) whose primary language in their home was one other than English
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, essay #1 (general essay), essay #3 (Scholarship-specific essay—Identity & Community), and one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative)

Amount: Maximum of six scholarships—up to \$1,500 for undergraduate freshman/sophomore, up to \$2,500 for undergraduate junior/senior, up to \$3,000 for graduate student

Selection: Essays and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 38

Estimated awards: 4

COAPLAND

| Any student | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Alice C. Coapland Scholarship

Alice C. Coapland established this scholarship in 2002. Before her death in 2004, she generously bequeathed her estate to fund this scholarship for female residents of northeastern Vermont who have high financial need and who wish to pursue education after high school.

Eligibility:

- Be a female student seeking an undergraduate degree
- Reside in a town served by the following high schools: Craftsbury Academy, Lake Region Union High School, and North Country Union High School (Albany, Barton, Brighton, Brownington, Charleston, Coventry, Craftsbury, Derby, Glover, Greensboro, Hardwick, Holland, Irasburg, Jay, Lowell, Morgan, Newport City, Newport Town, Stannard, Troy, Westfield, Westmore, Wolcott, Woodbury)
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate academic achievement and promise of continued excellence
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Renewability: May be renewable for up to three additional years.

Amount: Two scholarships up to \$3,000 each*

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 97

Estimated awards: 2

CONWAY

| Adult students | Any program | Any enrollment |
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G. Jason and Marcia Vance Conway Memorial Scholarship (sponsored by the G. Jason and Marcia Vance Conway Memorial Scholarship Fund)

This scholarship was established in 2011 to honor the contributions made to higher education by G. Jason Conway and Marcia Vance Conway, who passed away in April 2010 and March 2009 respectively.

Eligibility:

- Face significant barriers or obstacles that limit your access to education after high school
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$2,000 each*

Selection: Essay, recommendation letter, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 475

Estimated awards: 2

CURRIER

| High school students | Undergrad program | 1/2 time |
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Katie Currier Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by the Katie Currier Scholarship Fund)

This scholarship was created to honor the memory of Katie Currier, who passed away at the age of 18. Katie was a three-sport athlete devoted to justice, non-judgment, acceptance, and unity. This athletes' scholarship was established to provide financial aid to Essex High School student-athletes who are committed to promoting these qualities in their communities.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior graduating from Essex High School
- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Be (or have been) a student athlete (*must speak to this in your essay; preference given to applicants who demonstrate and promote dedication to learning and a strong team spirit*)
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and essay #1 (general essay; *Speak to being (or having been) a student athlete and include examples of the ways in which you have demonstrated and promoted a dedication to learning and a strong team spirit*)

Amount: Two \$1,000 scholarships (one to a male, and one to a female)*

Selection: Essay and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 22

Estimated awards: 2

CUTTING

| High school students | Any program | Any enrollment |
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The Merle Clough Cutting Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by Newbury Alumni Association)

Merle Clough Cutting, a 1935 graduate of Newbury High School, was employed by the Bell Telephone Company for 45 years, rising to the position of chief operator in Woodsville and Plymouth NH.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior residing in the town of Newbury, Vermont
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative)

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship*

Selection: Financial need, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 6

Estimated awards: 1

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

CVSR

| Any student | Cert or Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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Champlain Valley Street Rodders (CVSR) Scholarship

The Champlain Valley Street Rodders established this scholarship to assist students pursuing careers in the automotive field.

Eligibility:

- Seek a certificate or undergraduate degree in a field related to automotive technology, mechanics, or repair
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One \$500 scholarship

Selection: Recommendation letter, essay, financial need, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 23

Estimated awards: 1

DAVIS-EJ

| Any student | Degree program | Any enrollment |
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Elizabeth J. Davis Scholarship of the VNAs of Vermont

This scholarship was established to assist students who are seeking bachelor's degrees or advanced degrees in health professions.

Eligibility:

- Seek an undergraduate, graduate, or professional degree in registered nursing, licensed practical nursing, physical therapy, speech language pathology, occupational therapy, or social work (*preference given to applicants pursuing four-year degrees or higher and/or applicants interested in working in home health*)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Intend to work in Vermont for a minimum of two years
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and essay #1 (general essay—*speak to your interest in working in home health, if applicable*)

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$3,000 each*

Selection: Financial need, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 384

Estimated awards: 7

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

DURFEE-G

| Graduate students | Graduate program | Any enrollment |
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Hildegard Durfee Scholarship (Graduate)

This scholarship was established to enable residents of Windham County to further their education at the graduate level and/or to prepare themselves for career changes that require graduate-level coursework after college.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Windham County (*preference given to residents of Bellows Falls, Brattleboro, Dummerston, Guilford, Newfane, and Putney*)
- Be a current graduate student seeking a graduate or professional degree
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), transcript, and resumé

Amount: Scholarships range from \$500 to \$1,500

Selection: Recommendation letter, essay, financial need, academic achievement, resumé, and personal interview (if necessary)

Estimated applicants: 33

Estimated awards: 1

DURFEE-U

| Any student | Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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Hildegard Durfee Scholarship (Undergraduate)

This scholarship was established to enable residents of Windham County to further their education at the undergraduate level and/or to prepare themselves for career changes that require undergraduate-level coursework after high school.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Windham County (*preference given to residents of Bellows Falls, Brattleboro, Dummerston, Guilford, Newfane, and Putney*)
- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: Scholarships range from \$500 to \$1,500

Selection: Recommendation letter, essay, financial need, academic achievement, and personal interview (if necessary)

Estimated applicants: 116

Estimated awards: 44

How will scholarships affect other aid?

Before applying for scholarships, check with your college/university or training school to ask whether receiving a scholarship may affect your overall financial aid package.

EARLYED

| College students | Undergrad program | 1/2 time |
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Early Childhood Educators Scholarship

The purpose of this scholarship is to support students who have a commitment to the education of young children. Early childhood education plays a crucial role in a child's overall development and success by cultivating their natural curiosity, creativity, and critical thinking abilities, which are foundational for lifelong learning.

Eligibility:

- Be a current college student who resides in Chittenden, Franklin, Grand Isle, or Lamoille County
- Seek an undergraduate degree in Early Childhood Education
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and transcript

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$1,000 each*

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 35

Estimated awards: 2

EMS-GG

| Any student | Any program | 3/4 time |
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Gordy and Gwen EMS Scholarship

This scholarship was created to recognize individuals in emergency medical services (EMS) who serve others on a daily basis.

Eligibility:

- Be an active member (with a minimum of one year of active service) OR be a spouse or dependent child of an active member (with a minimum one year of active service) of a Vermont-licensed ambulance or first respond squad in Addison or Chittenden County
- Enroll at least three-quarter time
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement/service
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), transcript, and certification-first responders (*provide a signed statement from the head of a Vermont-licensed ambulance or first respond squad in Addison or Chittenden County, certifying that: [1] the applicant is either an active member OR a spouse or dependent child of an active member of a Vermont-licensed ambulance or first respond squad in Addison or Chittenden County; and [2] the squad member has a minimum of one year of active service*)

Amount: Up to two \$1,000 scholarships*

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, and essay

Estimated applicants: 11

Estimated awards: 2

FARYNIARZ

| High school students | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Stanley C. Faryniarz, Sr. Teacher's Scholarship

(sponsored by the Faryniarz Family)

This scholarship was established to help a Vermont high school graduating senior pursue a college education with the goal of acquiring Vermont teacher certification to become a teacher of public education in Vermont.

Eligibility:

- Be a graduating high school senior seeking an undergraduate degree in education
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education
- Attend the Vermont State University, University of Vermont, or Community College of Vermont

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and transcript

Amount: One scholarship at \$1,000

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 80

Estimated awards: 1

GATES

| High school students | Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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Richard T. Gates Engineering and Technology Endowed Challenge Scholarship

This scholarship was established to help worthy and able students pursue their bachelor of science degrees in engineering or technology.

Eligibility:

- Have been born in Vermont
- Have parent(s) who is legal resident of Vermont
- Be a current high school senior currently attending a Windham County high school or Springfield High School
- Seek a bachelor of science degree in engineering or technology (program must be accredited by the Accrediting Board for Engineering and Technology)
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), transcript, and birth certificate

Renewability: May be renewable for up to three additional years.

Amount: One scholarship up to \$4,000*

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, recommendation letter, and essay

Estimated applicants: 27

Estimated awards: 1

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

GENSBURG

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| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Robert Gensburg Scholarship

(sponsored by Evernorth)

This scholarship was established to honor Robert Gensburg's significant contributions to affordable housing and education in Vermont. It also reflects Bob's lifelong commitment to social and economic equality for all Vermonters. Bob was a great mentor and friend to Evernorth and had a positive impact on low-income communities in Vermont. This scholarship is available for those entered into any college program, or any certification or technical training through a technical school or college.

Eligibility:

- Reside in an affordable housing apartment owned by Evernorth, a public housing authority, or one of the nonprofit regional housing organizations, or be the child of a parent/guardian who resides in an Evernorth-affiliated apartment (*organizations include Addison Housing Works, Alliance Property Management, Brattleboro Housing Partnerships, Burlington Housing Authority, Cathedral Square, Champlain Housing Trust, COTS, Downstreet Housing & Community Development, EP Management, Evernorth, Housing Trust of Rutland County, Lamoille Housing Partnership, Randolph Area Community Development Corporation, Rural Edge, Rutland Housing Authority, Shires Housing, Springfield Housing Authority, Stewart Property Management, Summit Property Management, THM Management, Twin Pines Housing Trust, and Windham & Windsor Housing Trust*)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate community involvement/service

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #2 (community service), essay #1 (general essay), and membership (*provide the name and address of the affordable housing apartment owned by Evernorth, public housing authority or nonprofit regional housing organization in which you or your parent/guardian resides, as well as the name of the individual(s) who signed the lease for the apartment, and their relationship to you*)

Amount: Estimated three maximum \$3,300 scholarships

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letters, and essay

Estimated applicants: 28 **Estimated awards:** 4

Did you submit a transcript?

A transcript **must** be from the most recent school attended and:

- include grades through the applicable academic year
- include a calculated GPA or proficiency-based GPA
- include the student's name, the school the transcript is from, and the school-year semesters that the grades are for

GILMAN

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| High school students | Cert or Undergrad program | Full time |
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Frank M. and Olive F. Gilman Foundation Scholarship

The Gilman Foundation created this scholarship to promote academic growth and achievement in order to foster greater individual earning power and a skilled labor force. Recipients are selected by an independent selection committee not comprised of Gilman Foundation Board members. Recipients will be notified at high school graduation ceremonies.

Eligibility:

- Vermont residency **not** required
- Be a current high school senior who will graduate from one of the following Orange County or Windsor County high schools: Blue Mountain Union High School, Green Mountain Union High School, Hartford High School, Mid Vermont Christian School, Oxbow High School, Randolph Union High School, Sharon Academy, Springfield High School, Thetford Academy, White River Valley High School, Williamstown Middle High School, Windsor High School, or Woodstock Union High School
- Seek a certificate or an undergraduate degree
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and essay #1 (general essay)

Renewability: May be renewable for up to three additional years if continuously enrolled full time.

Amount: Approximately 75 scholarships up to \$6,000 each

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letter, and essay

Estimated applicants: 259 **Estimated awards:** 53

GRAHAM

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| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Vermont Sheriffs' Association: William Graham Scholarship

This scholarship was created to honor former Windham County Sheriff William Graham, who has exemplified outstanding public service and community leadership throughout his life.

Eligibility:

- Be a dependent of a member of the Vermont Sheriffs' Association
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), transcript, and membership (*provide the name of the individual who is a member of the Vermont Sheriffs' Association, and their relationship to you*)

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essay, academic achievement, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 8 **Estimated awards:** 1

GRANGER

| Any student | Degree program | Any enrollment |
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Alfred T. Granger Student Art Fund Scholarship

This endowed fund was established to support a college education for talented students pursuing studies in architecture, design, fine arts, architectural engineering, or mechanical drawing (CAD).

Eligibility:

- Seek a degree in architecture, interior design, studio art, architectural engineering, mechanical drawing, or lighting design
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #3 (visual/performing arts), essay #1 (general essay), transcript, and an electronic portfolio. **Portfolio must:**

- be provided as either a website or a single file that provides up to 20 electronic images (please verify quality of images prior to submitting);
- include artwork and/or architecture drawings, a description of each piece stating what it represents, the medium or software, and technique(s) used; and
- include your full name and date of birth.

Amount: Four \$2,500 scholarships (undergraduate students) and two \$5,000 scholarships (graduate students)

Selection: Portfolio, recommendation letters, essay, academic achievement, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 91

Estimated awards: 6

GREENMTVET

| Any student | Degree program | 1/4 time |
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Green Mountain Veterinary Scholarship

(sponsored by the Harold Mitchell Family)

The Harold Mitchell family established this scholarship to encourage Vermonters to pursue a degree in the veterinary field.

Eligibility:

- Be a Vermont resident (preference given to students born in Vermont)
- Enroll in your **first year** of a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine program or your **first year** of a Veterinary Technician program (*preference given to students enrolled in a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine program*)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans).

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), transcript, and birth certificate.

Amount: Up to \$5,000 awarded annually*

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 17

Estimated awards: 1

GREENUP

| Any student | Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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Green Up Vermont Scholarship

(sponsored by Vermont Green Up)

Green Up Vermont believes in supporting you and the planet. We hope our mission of building life-long stewardship for natural landscapes and waterways, and the positive livability of litter-free communities, is part of your passion as well. Tell us why the environment matters to you and how participating in Green Up Day helped sculpt your future goals. This scholarship is intended for individuals who have participated in Green Up Day.

Eligibility:

- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Demonstrate active participation in Vermont Green Up Day
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #2 (community service), and certification of participation in Green Up (*provide a signed letter from your Green Up Volunteer Team Coordinator that states you actively participated in Green Up Day*)

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Certification, recommendation letter, and essay

Estimated applicants: 201

Estimated awards: 1

HALEGARVIN

| Any student | Cert or Undergrad program | 1/4 time |
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The Mary K. Hale and J. Stewart Garvin Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by Newbury Alumni Association)

This scholarship was established in memory of Mary K. Hale and J. Stewart Garvin. Mary K. Hale was a 1903 graduate of Newbury High School and later from Smith College. She was a teacher at Newbury High School for over 40 years, a member of the DAR, and the librarian at the Tenney Memorial Library. J. Stewart Garvin was a World War I veteran and superintendent of schools for Caledonia-Orange district for 30 years. Mr. Garvin was an outstanding leader in the field of education.

Eligibility:

- Be a resident of the town of Newbury, Vermont
- Will graduate or have graduated from Oxbow High School (*preference given to current high school seniors attending Oxbow High School*)
- Seek a certificate or undergraduate degree in the field of education
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and transcript

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship*

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 2

Estimated awards: 1

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

HENDERSON

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Virginia C. Henderson Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by Newbury Alumni Association)

This scholarship was established by the Newbury Alumni Association to honor Virginia C. Henderson, Newbury High School Class of 1933. Ginny was the first woman to be elected lister for the Town of Newbury in 1971. She served as alumni president for many years and gave her unending support to the alumni and its scholarship funds.

Eligibility:

- Be a resident of the town of Newbury, Vermont
- Will graduate or have graduated from Oxbow High School (*preference given to current high school seniors attending Oxbow High School*)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and transcript

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship*

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 5

Estimated awards: 1

HICKS

| Any student | Undergrad program | Full time |
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David A. Hicks Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established to help students who have overcome hardship in their lives (including illness) or who face significant barriers that limit their access to education after high school.

Eligibility:

- Have graduated from Mount Anthony Union High School or West Rutland High School (*preference given to applicants who have overcome hardship in their lives, including illness, or who face significant barriers that limit their access to education after high school*)
- Seek a bachelor's degree
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and essay #1 (general essay; *include ways in which you have overcome hardship or illness in your life, and a description of the barriers you face that limit your access to education after high school*)

Amount: One scholarship up to \$2,000*

Selection: Essay, recommendation letter, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 23

Estimated awards: 1

HI-LOW-4H

| Any student | Any program | 1/2 time |
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Hi-Low Farm Orleans County 4-H Scholarship

This scholarship was established to provide financial support to students from Orleans County who were active in 4-H in their youth.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Orleans County
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement/service (including active involvement in 4-H)
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative; applicants are encouraged to submit this recommendation letter from a current or former 4-H leader), one recommendation letter #2 (community service), essay #1 (general essay; *include examples of your active involvement in 4-H*), and current 4-H membership (*provide the name of your current 4-H chapter*)

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000*

Selection: Essay, recommendation letters, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 8

Estimated awards: 1

HI-LOW-LV

| Any student | Any program | 1/2 time |
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Hi-Low Farm Lowell Vermont Scholarship

This scholarship was established to provide financial support to students with a high school diploma, including students who have successfully completed a home schooling program.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Brighton, Charleston, Coventry, Derby, Holland, Jay, Lowell, Morgan, Newport City, Newport Town, Troy, North Troy, or Westfield, and/or graduate/have graduated from North Country Union High School (*preference given to applicants who live/lived with a parent who is a resident of Lowell at the time the applicant graduated from high school*)
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement/service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #2 (community service), and essay #1 (general essay—*speak to Lowell residency, if applicable*)

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000*

Selection: Essay, recommendation letters, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 48

Estimated awards: 1

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

HITCHCOCK

| High school students | Undergrad program | 1/4 time |
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The Dwight and Doris Hitchcock Memorial Scholarship (sponsored by Harold & Sally M. Mitchell)

This scholarship was established to honor the memory of Dwight and Doris Hitchcock for their lifelong love of family and friends, and service to the town of Athens, Vermont. Dwight Hitchcock was a selectman, and Doris held other positions in Athens for several years. The purpose of this scholarship is to assist students in pursuing a two- or four-year degree.

Eligibility:

- Seek an associate or bachelor's degree
- Enroll at least one-quarter time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Reside in the town of Athens, Grafton, or Bellows Falls VT (*preference given first to students living in Athens, next to students living in Grafton, and third to students living in Bellows Falls*)
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct Loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, two recommendation letters #1 (non-relative—*preferably from teachers/school counselors*), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One \$2,000 scholarship*

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, recommendation letters, and essay

Estimated applicants: 27

Estimated awards: 1

HUBBARD

| Any student | Cert or Degree program | 1/2 time |
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John Cooper Hubbard Scholarship

(sponsored by the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation)

The purpose of this scholarship is to provide aid for worthy Vermont students studying in the nursing field (RN or LPN level) or pursuing advanced studies in the medical or nursing fields.

Eligibility:

- Seek a degree or certification in nursing or medical studies, including LNA, MNA, radiology, surgical technology, anesthesiology, phlebotomy, sonography, MD, PA, athletic training, dental hygiene, dentistry, exercise science, pharmacy, and physical therapy (*preference given to applicants pursuing a degree or certification in nursing*)
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: Up to \$50,000 annually

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 477

Estimated awards: 20

HULL

| Any student | Degree program | 1/2 time |
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Dr. Marc Hull Special Education Leadership Scholarship (sponsored by the Vermont Council of Special Education Administrators)

This scholarship was created to honor Dr. Marc Hull, a former Vermont commissioner of education who dedicated his career to creating equitable learning opportunities for all students, particularly those with disabilities.

Eligibility:

- Seek a certificate or license in special education
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate community involvement/service (*particularly related to individuals with disabilities*)
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #2 (community service), essay #1 (general essay—*speak to community involvement/service related to individuals with disabilities*), and transcript

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$1,500 total*

Selection: Recommendation letters, essay, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 53

Estimated awards: 1

HURLEY

| High school students | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Carol A. Hurley Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the friends, family, and colleagues of Carol Hurley, a VSAC outreach counselor who helped first-generation college-bound students prepare for college.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior who will graduate from one of the following high schools: Randolph Technical Career Center, Randolph Union High School, White River Valley High School, Windsor High School, or Woodstock Union High School (*preference given to applicants who are among the first generation in their families to attend college*)
- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$1,000 each*

Selection: Recommendation letter, essay, financial need, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 75

Estimated awards: 3

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

ISHAM

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| Any student | Any program | 1/2 time |
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Franklin H. Isham Memorial Scholarship

Mrs. Olive Wilcox created this scholarship to honor the memory of her husband, Franklin Horace Isham.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Franklin County
- Have graduated from a Franklin County high school
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000*

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, and essay

Estimated applicants: 126

Estimated awards: 1

JBREARDON

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| High school students | Undergrad program | 3/4 time |
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James B. Reardon Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established to honor the memory of Jim Reardon, former Commissioner of Finance and Management for the State of Vermont. Jim was a dedicated public servant with 30 years in State finance, followed by four years at Burlington Electric. Jim was a role model to many through his dedication, financial stewardship, integrity, commitment to excellence and work ethic.

Eligibility:

- Seek an associate or bachelor's degree in accounting
- Enroll at least three-quarter time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), transcript

Renewability: May be renewable for up to three additional years.

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$3,000*

Selection: Financial need, transcript, essay and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 60

Estimated awards: 1

Submit complete documents on time.

An incomplete or late required document is the #1 reason an applicant isn't considered by a scholarship committee.

JEFFRD-EDJ

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| Any student | Undergrad program | 1/2 time |
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Students with Disabilities Endowed Scholarship Honoring Elizabeth Daley Jeffords

(sponsored by the Senator Jeffords Endowment Scholarship Fund)

Former U.S. Senator James M. Jeffords of Vermont established this scholarship to honor his wife, Elizabeth Daley Jeffords, by providing financial support to students with disabilities who wish to pursue college degrees.

Eligibility:

- Demonstrate documented disability (504 Plan or IEP from your school, or a statement from Voc Rehab documenting your disability)
- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and certification (*provide a copy of your most recent 504 Plan or IEP, OR a statement from Voc Rehab that documents your disability*)

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$4,000*

Selection: Essay, recommendation letter, financial need, and personal interview (if necessary)

Estimated applicants: 220

Estimated awards: 2

JEFFRD-MHJ

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| High school students | Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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Senator James M. Jeffords Endowed Scholarship to Honor Marion Hausman Jeffords

Former U.S. Senator James M. Jeffords of Vermont established this scholarship in memory of his mother, Marion Hausman Jeffords, to honor her career as an educator who taught music and art in Rutland.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior who resides in Rutland County or attends a Rutland County high school
- Seek an undergraduate degree in the arts, including, but not limited to, music, visual arts, dance, or theater
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #3 (visual/performing arts), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$4,000*

Selection: Recommendation letter, essay, financial need, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 15

Estimated awards: 2

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

JEFFRD-MJM

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| High school students | Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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Senator James M. Jeffords Endowed Scholarship to Honor Mary Jeffords Mills

Former U.S. Senator James M. Jeffords of Vermont established this scholarship to honor his sister, Mary Jeffords Mills, by inspiring and encouraging future generations of teachers.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior who resides in Rutland County or attends a Rutland County high school (*preference given to Rutland High School seniors*)
- Seek an undergraduate degree in education
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$4,000*

Selection: Recommendation letter, essay, financial need, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 23

Estimated awards: 2

JOHNSON

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| Any student | Cert or Undergrad program | 3/4 time |
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Jennie Johnson Scholarship

This scholarship was created to honor the memory of artist Jennie Johnson, who was most widely known as the postmaster of Beebe Plain, Vermont.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Essex or Orleans County
- Seek a certificate or undergraduate degree
- Enroll at least three-quarter time
- Intend to reside and work in Vermont upon graduation
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000*

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, recommendation letter, and essay

Estimated applicants: 63

Estimated awards: 1

**There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.*

JORGENSEN

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| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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The Jorgensen Tunbridge Scholarship

(sponsored by Kathryn Jorgensen)

This scholarship was established to support Tunbridge residents pursuing post-high school/GED education or training in any accredited academic, technical, vocational, apprenticeship, or graduate program.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Tunbridge, Vermont
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA on 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: Up to two \$1,000 scholarships

Selection: Financial need, essay, recommendation letter, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 7

Estimated awards: 2

KBSACCTNG

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| High school students | Undergrad program | Full time |
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KBS Accounting Scholarship

(sponsored by Kittell, Branagan & Sargent)

This scholarship was established by Kittell, Branagan & Sargent to encourage Vermont students in Franklin and Chittenden counties to pursue a rewarding and fulfilling career in accounting, helping people and building relationships.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Chittenden or Franklin County
- Be a graduating high school senior
- Seek an undergraduate degree in accounting
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #2 (community service) and transcript

Amount: Maximum two scholarships up to \$5,000 each (one recipient from each county)

Selection: Essay, recommendation letters and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 16

Estimated awards: 1

Notification of Applicants

Generally, recipients are notified by May 1, if we have received the funding and recipient decisions from the scholarship committee. Forgivable loan recipients are typically notified on or around July 1.

KINNEY

| Any student | Any program | Full time |
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Taini Mae Kinney Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the family and friends of Taini Mae Kinney who wished to honor Taini's kindness toward others.

Eligibility:

- Reside in the Northeast Kingdom of Vermont (Caledonia, Essex, or Orleans County)
- Seek education or training in a health care field, including holistic health
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement/service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000*

Selection: Financial need, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 87

Estimated awards: 1

KNGHTGIBSN

| High school students | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Knight/Gibson Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by Newbury Alumni Association)

This scholarship was established by the Newbury Alumni Association in honor of Kathleen Wheeler Knight and Orville Gibson. Kathleen was valedictorian of the Newbury High School class of 1945. She served several years on the Oxbow School Board, as Treasurer of the Newbury Alumni Association and as Tax Collector for the town of Newbury. Orville was valedictorian of the Newbury High School class of 1930. He attended Coyne Electric School, was a carpenter and lastly was a successful farmer until his untimely death.

Eligibility:

- Be a resident of the town of Newbury, Vermont
- Will graduate from Oxbow High School
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and transcript

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship*

Selection: Academic achievement, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 7

Estimated awards: 1

LAMB

| High school students | Cert program | Any enrollment |
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The Bruce Lamb Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by Vermont Electric Cooperative Employee's Fund)

This scholarship was created in memory of Bruce Lamb, a first-class lineman who passed away in a fatal accident while performing his job. He was devoted not only to his job, but also to his co-workers and friends. Bruce had many roles and was highly respected throughout his workplace, electrical union, community, and family. His career as a lineman lasted 34 years.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior who resides in one of the following counties: Addison, Essex, Franklin, Orleans, Caledonia, Grand Isle, Chittenden, or Lamoille
- Accepted into a lineman certificate program at an accredited lineman school
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate entrepreneurial skills, endeavors, and/or achievements
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Face significant barriers or obstacles that limit your access to education after high school

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative, from former *teacher*), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative, from former *employer*), and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: One \$1,500 scholarship

Selection: Essay and recommendation letters

Estimated applicants: 5

Estimated awards: 1

LEDUC

| High school students | Any program | Full time |
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Norman and Cecile Leduc Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by the Norman and Cecile Leduc Memorial Scholarship Fund)

This scholarship was created to honor the memory and lives of Norman and Cecile Leduc.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior
- Reside in Franklin or Grand Isle County
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate leadership in community service outside of school activities (*preference given to activities with religious groups*)
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required Documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #2 (community service), essay #1 (general essay—*speak to activities with religious groups*), and transcript

Renewability: May be renewable for up to three additional years.

Amount: One \$750 scholarship*

Selection: Financial need, essay, academic achievement, and recommendation letters

Estimated applicants: 62

Estimated awards: 1

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

LEONARD

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Charles E. Leonard Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired)

This scholarship was created in memory of Charles Leonard by his mother after his death in 1981. Mr. Leonard, who was blind, was an engineer at General Electric for many years and served as president of VABVI from 1978 to 1980.

Eligibility:

- Be blind or visually impaired (after best corrected vision), OR be a child of a blind or visually impaired person, OR pursue a career in the education or rehabilitation of blind or visually impaired people
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), transcript, and certification—Leonard (*If you or one or more of your parents is blind or visually impaired, submit a copy of the most recent optometrist report, including the cause of the visual impairment and data relating to acuity, for each visually impaired person—you and/or your parent/s.*)

Amount: Approximately four \$500 scholarships

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, and essay

Estimated applicants: 24

Estimated awards: 4

LESTER

| Any student | Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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Emily Lester Vermont Opportunity Scholarship

(sponsored by the State of Vermont)

This scholarship is administered with the proceeds from a trust fund established through an annual appropriation from State of Vermont's general fund. Funding for this program is conditional upon annual legislative approval.

Eligibility:

- Be currently under the custody of the Vermont Commissioner of the Department for Children and Families (DCF) OR be between the ages of 18 and 24 and have been under the custody of the Vermont Commissioner of the DCF for at least six months when applicant was between the ages of 16 and 18
- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school located **within Vermont** and approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, and Vermont grant application (available at vsac.org/grants)

Amount: Scholarships generally range from \$1,000 to \$2,000 and may not exceed \$3,000. The amount disbursed cannot exceed your total costs (tuition, fees, room, and board) **minus** your student aid index (SAI) and all other sources of gift aid combined.

Selection: Eligibility

Estimated applicants: N/A

Estimated awards: N/A

LIONS-JU

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Jericho-Underhill Lions Club David Damkot Memorial Scholarship

The Jericho-Underhill Lions Club created this scholarship to encourage residents in the Jericho-Underhill area to serve their communities and develop high ethical standards. The scholarship name was changed in 2016 to memorialize and honor David Damkot, a charter member of the club.

Eligibility:

- Be a graduating high school senior or an adult student pursuing your first postsecondary academic degree
- Reside in Bolton, Huntington, Jericho, Richmond, or Underhill
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community service and good citizenship
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #2 (community service), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$1,500 each

Selection: Recommendation letters, essay, financial need, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 40

Estimated awards: 3

LOWENSTEIN

| High school students | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Amy Lowenstein Scholarship

This scholarship was created to assist academically promising graduates of Addison County public high schools who plan to attend a competitive, degree-granting, four-year, accredited college full time.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior who resides in Addison County
- Seek a bachelor's (four-year) degree
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate outstanding academic achievement and promise of continued excellence
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement
- Attend a competitive accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #2 (community service), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Renewability: May be renewable for up to three additional years.

Amount: One \$3,000 scholarship

Selection: Academic achievement, essay, financial need, and recommendation letters

Estimated applicants: 54

Estimated awards: 1

LYON-DA

| High school students | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Denton and Ann Lyon Scholarship

This scholarship was created to assist graduating high school seniors from Addison County who demonstrate strong financial need and high academic achievement, and who are committed to attending and succeeding in college.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior who resides in Addison County
- Graduate from an Addison County high school OR be a home-schooled or GED recipient who would otherwise have graduated from an Addison County high school
- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement and/or service
- Attend an accredited school located **within Vermont** and approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Renewability: May be renewable for up to one additional year.

Amount: Up to three scholarships of \$2,000 maximum*

Selection: Financial need, essay, recommendation letter, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 50

Estimated awards: 3

MACIAG

| High school students | Any program | 1/2 time |
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John and Ruth Maciag Scholarship

This scholarship was created to honor John and Ruth's commitment to art and design, learning, and international travel.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior
- Seek education or training in architecture, architectural engineering, computer graphics and animation, fine arts, interior design, studio art, or a related field
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000*

Selection: Recommendation letter, essay, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 115

Estimated awards: 1

MATTISON

| Any student | Degree program | Any enrollment |
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Wallace Mattison Scholarship

(sponsored by the Bennington County Sheriff's Department)

This scholarship was established to honor World War II veteran and former Bennington Police Captain Wallace "Wally" Mattison, who has exemplified outstanding public service and community leadership.

Eligibility:

- Seek an undergraduate, graduate, or professional degree in law enforcement to become a police officer
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans).

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and transcript

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, recommendation letter, and essay

Estimated applicants: 36

Estimated awards: 1

MAY

| High school students | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Edgar May Scholarship

This scholarship was established to honor the life and work of Edgar May, longtime champion of individuals outside the circle of financial and social success.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior who resides in Caledonia, Essex, Orange, Orleans, or Windsor County
- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Face significant barriers or obstacles that limit your access to education after high school
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: One or more scholarship(s) of up to \$1,000 each*

Selection: Financial need, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 197

Estimated awards: 1

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

Residency

You must be a Vermont resident and a U.S. citizen or eligible noncitizen of the United States to apply for VSAC-assisted scholarships, unless a scholarship specifies otherwise.

MITCHELL

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| High school students | Cert or Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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The Harold and Sally Mitchell Scholarship

(sponsored by Harold and Sally Mitchell)

This scholarship was created to provide financial assistance to Vermont high school graduating seniors who seek an associate degree or certification in a vocational or technical field after high school graduation.

Eligibility:

- *Preference given to students seeking certification in a vocational or technical field*
- Reside in the town of Athens, Grafton, or Bellows Falls (*preference given first to students living in Athens, next to students living in Grafton, and third to students living in Bellows Falls*)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, two recommendation letters #1 (non-relative, preferably from teachers/school counselors), and transcript

Amount: One \$2,000 scholarship*

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, and recommendation letters

Estimated applicants: 12

Estimated awards: 1

MITCH-BF

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| High school students | Cert or Undergrad program | 1/4 time |
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The Harold and Sally Mitchell Scholarship – Bellows Falls/Springfield

(sponsored by Harold and Sally Mitchell)

This scholarship was established to help students graduating from either Bellows Falls Union High School or Springfield High School to pursue higher education or certification in a vocational/technical field of study.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior graduating from either Bellows Falls Union High School or Springfield High School (*preference given to students living in Bellows Falls*)
- Seek a certificate or degree in a vocational, technical, or business-related field
- Enroll at least one-quarter time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Face significant barriers that limit your access to education after high school
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One scholarship up to \$2,000*

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, recommendation letter, and essay

Estimated applicants: 17

Estimated awards: 1

MITCH-FAM

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| High school students | Undergrad program | Full time |
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The Mitchell Family Scholarship

(sponsored by Harold and Sally Mitchell)

This scholarship was created to provide financial assistance to Vermont students who want to pursue undergraduate education and their career goals.

Eligibility:

- Be a current senior in a **Vermont** high school who has lived in Vermont since birth
- Enroll full time in an undergraduate associate or bachelor's degree program
- Demonstrate financial need
- Be among the first generation in your family to attend college (neither parent received a bachelor's degree)
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: Up to four \$5,000 scholarships; only one applicant from a high school will be selected*

Selection: Financial need, essay, recommendation letter, academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 308

Estimated awards: 4

MITCH-GM

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| High school students | Cert or Undergrad program | 1/4 time |
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The Harold and Sally Mitchell Scholarship – Green Mountain/Springfield

(sponsored by Harold and Sally Mitchell)

This scholarship was established to help students graduating from either Green Mountain Union High School or Springfield High School to pursue higher education or certification in a vocational/technical field of study.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior graduating from either Green Mountain Union High School or Springfield High School (*preference given to students living in Andover*)
- Seek a certificate or degree in a vocational, technical, or business-related field
- Enroll at least one-quarter time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One scholarship up to \$2,000*

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, recommendation letter, and essay

Estimated applicants: 20

Estimated awards: 1

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

MTBANK

| High school students | Undergrad program | Full time |
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M&T Bank Scholarship

This scholarship was established to provide financial assistance to Vermont students who wish to pursue college degrees.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior
- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement
- Attend an accredited school located **within Vermont** and approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Renewability: May be renewable for up to three additional years.

Amount: One \$2,500 scholarship

Selection: Academic achievement, recommendation letter, essay, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 598

Estimated awards: 1

MUNICIPAL

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Municipal Service Scholarship

(sponsored by the Vermont League of Cities and Towns)

The Vermont League of Cities and Towns established this scholarship to encourage Vermonters to serve in a city, town, or village government.

Eligibility:

- Must be an employee of a Vermont city, town, or village (including part-time and seasonal who have served within 12 months of application), or an elected official or appointed official of a Vermont city, town, or village; or dependent child age 26 or younger of any of the above. Appointed officials are defined as any individual appointed to a municipal role by the legislative body of a municipality, such as planning commission members.
- Have an interest in working or volunteering in a city, town or village government (must speak to this in your essay)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrated engagement in a city, town, or village (if not currently serving in an elected or appointed position, resumé, essay, and recommendation letter should reflect municipal interest)
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans), **within Vermont**.

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay—include why you want to serve in a city, town, or village government), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative; must be from a city, town, or village official either elected, appointed, or employed), resumé, and transcript

Amount: One \$2,000 scholarship

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letter, essay, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 14

Estimated awards: 1

MURRAY

| Any student | Undergrad program | 1/2 time |
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Bernice Murray Scholarship

(sponsored by former U.S. Senator James Jeffords and the Federal Executives' Association)

This scholarship was created by former U.S. Senator James M. Jeffords of Vermont, along with family and friends of Bernice Murray, longtime aide to Senator Jeffords. The scholarship was established to honor her unselfish contributions to improving the lives of Vermonters.

Eligibility:

- Be a single parent with primary custody of at least one child 12 years of age or younger
- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and child care information (provide current/future day care provider's name, address, and phone numbers; include the age of each child attending day care, the number of hours each child will be in day care/week, and the total cost of day care/week; also provide the name and age of the youngest child for whom you are the custodial parent)

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$4,000 to be used for payment of child care expenses*

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letter, and essay

Estimated applicants: 11

Estimated awards: 4

NEWBURY

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Newbury Alumni Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by Newbury Alumni Association)

This scholarship was established in honor of all Newbury High School alumni to enable a graduate to pursue college after high school.

Eligibility:

- Be a resident of the town of Newbury, Vermont
- Will graduate or have graduated from Oxbow High School (preference given to current high school seniors attending Oxbow High School)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and transcript

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship*

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 6

Estimated awards: 1

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

NICHOLS

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| Any student | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Nichols Family Scholarship

This scholarship was established in 2015 to honor Francis and Louise Nichols and their children, William Nichols and Sarah Nichols Gruenig. The intent of this program is to ease the financial burden of a college degree for Vermont students who have faced adversity in their lives and/or overcome hardship.

Eligibility:

- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate resilience in the face of adversity and/or hardship
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay; *include specific examples of ways in which you have demonstrated resilience in the face of adversity and/or overcome hardship in your life*), and transcript

Renewability: May be renewable for up to three additional years.

Amount: Two scholarships up to \$6,250 each*

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, recommendation letter, and essay

Estimated applicants: 903

Estimated awards: 2

NICHOLS-AG

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| Any student | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Nichols Family Scholarship (Agriculture and Environmental Science)

This scholarship was established in 2014 to honor Francis and Louise Nichols and their children, William Nichols and Sarah Nichols Gruenig, who valued education, hard work, and the natural world. The intent of this program is to support students in pursuing studies in agriculture or environmental studies.

Eligibility:

- Seek an undergraduate degree in agriculture or environmental studies
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and essay #1 (general essay)

Renewability: May be renewable for up to three additional years.

Amount: Two scholarships up to \$6,250 each*

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letter, and essay

Estimated applicants: 123

Estimated awards: 2

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

NROC-ND

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| Any student | Cert or Non-Degree program | Any enrollment |
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NROC Kathy Miles Memorial Scholarship – Non-Degree

The late Kathy Miles was a long-time resident and resident director of Northgate apartments. Kathy served on Northgate's Board of Directors for decades and was an advocate for affordable and safe housing. Studying nursing as a young woman and later working at the University of Vermont, Kathy had a great love of learning and education—whatever that might be for the individual. Kathy worked tirelessly, not only for Northgate and its residents, but for the whole city of Burlington. Over the course of four decades, Kathy served on numerous boards, including many years as the City of Burlington's representative on the Green Mountain Transit (formerly CCTA). Around 2007, Kathy was appointed by the City Council to serve on the Voter Registration Board. Northgate Residents Ownership Corporation (NROC) is the resident-controlled owner of Northgate Apartments, Vermont's premier resident-owned, mixed-income, affordable housing apartment complex in Burlington's New North End. NROC's primary mission is committed to permanently affordable housing, led by its residents, to foster a safe, strong and diverse community. In tandem with this mission, NROC strongly believes that education is the primary way to lift people out of generational poverty and to help them become active and vibrant citizens. To that end, NROC offers a scholarship to its residents for undergraduate and graduate education and certificates from vocational schools and training that will further a career. In 2025, the NROC Board voted unanimously to name the scholarships in honor of Kathy to celebrate her legacy of service to Northgate and the wider Burlington community.

Eligibility:

- Must be a Northgate Apartments resident for at least 6 months
- Seek education and/or training/career enhancement from trade school, vocational school, or career classes
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, certification-NROC (Note: candidate MUST contact the Northgate management office to request a certification be completed on their behalf; Northgate will determine candidate's eligibility), and essay #1 (general essay).

Amount: Seven \$1,000 scholarships

Selection: NROC certification and essay

Estimated applicants: 2

Estimated awards: 1

The submission/postmark deadline is critical.

Submit all documents ON OR BEFORE the February 11 deadline. ONE late document will mean a late application that is not considered by a scholarship committee.

NROC-PS

| Any student | Degree program | 1/2 time |
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NROC Kathy Miles Memorial Scholarship – Postsecondary Education

The late Kathy Miles was a long-time resident and resident director of Northgate apartments. Kathy served on Northgate's Board of Directors for decades and was an advocate for affordable and safe housing. Studying nursing as a young woman and later working at the University of Vermont, Kathy had a great love of learning and education—whatever that might be for the individual. Kathy worked tirelessly, not only for Northgate and its residents, but for the whole city of Burlington. Over the course of four decades, Kathy served on numerous boards, including many years as the City of Burlington's representative on the Green Mountain Transit (formerly CCTA). Around 2007, Kathy was appointed by the City Council to serve on the Voter Registration Board. Northgate Residents Ownership Corporation (NROC) is the resident-controlled owner of Northgate Apartments, Vermont's premier resident-owned, mixed-income, affordable housing apartment complex in Burlington's New North End. NROC's primary mission is committed to permanently affordable housing, led by its residents, to foster a safe, strong and diverse community. In tandem with this mission, NROC strongly believes that education is the primary way to lift people out of generational poverty and to help them become active and vibrant citizens. To that end, NROC offers a scholarship to its residents for undergraduate and graduate education and certificates from vocational schools and training that will further a career. In 2025, the NROC Board voted unanimously to name the scholarships in honor of Kathy to celebrate her legacy of service to Northgate and the wider Burlington community.

Eligibility:

- Must be a Northgate Apartments resident for at least 6 months
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Enroll at least half time in an undergraduate or graduate degree program
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, certification-NROC (Note: candidate MUST contact the Northgate management office to request a certification be completed on their behalf; Northgate will determine candidate's eligibility), and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: Six \$3,000 scholarships

Selection: NROC certification and essay

Estimated applicants: 3

Estimated awards: 1

NWCLUB

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Norwich Women's Club Scholarship

This scholarship is open to any resident of Norwich who is pursuing education beyond high school. Students of all ages are urged to apply. Previous awardees are encouraged to apply in subsequent years. The Women's Club makes multiple annual awards, including the Woodworth Scholarship Award, which recognizes applicants whose service to others has made a significant difference in the community. Applicants should indicate in their essay whether they're eligible for the Woodworth Scholarship. In their essay, applicants should also speak to the issue of financial need.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Norwich
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, and essay #1 (general essay—*speak to whether you are eligible for the Woodworth Scholarship as well as to the issue of financial need*)

Amount: Scholarships range from \$500 to \$6,000

Selection: Financial need and essay

Estimated applicants: 23

Estimated awards: 10

NWVTACST

| Any student | Degree program | Any enrollment |
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Northwest Vermont Accounting Scholarship

(sponsored by Vermont Community Foundation/Northwest Vermont Accounting Scholarship Fund)

This scholarship was established to assist residents of the northwestern part of Vermont who are committed to pursuing a college education and a career in accounting.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Addison, Chittenden, Franklin, Grand Isle, Lamoille, or Washington County
- Seek a degree in accounting
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: Two \$1,000 scholarships

Selection: Essay, recommendation letter, academic achievement, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 20

Estimated awards: 2

ORANGECTY

| Adult students | Undergrad program | 1/2 time |
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Orange County Scholarship

This scholarship was created to assist female first-generation college students who have been residents of Orange County for at least one year.

Eligibility:

- Be a female student who has resided in Orange County for a minimum of one year
- Have faced or are facing significant barriers that limit access to education after high school (*preference given to applicants who are among the first generation in their families to attend college—neither a parent nor a grandparent received a bachelor's degree*)
- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Financial need, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 40

Estimated awards: 1

PAQUIN

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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The Paquin Family Technical Scholarship

This scholarship was created by Burton A. Paquin, Sr. to encourage and foster training for Vermonters in the technical and skilled trades to ensure the perpetuation of these valuable skills for the benefit of Vermont's economy and communities.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Franklin County
- Seek an accredited certificate or degree in a technical field or skilled trades, including but not limited to, auto technician, electrician, plumber, carpenter, welder, heavy equipment operator, surveyor, nursing, health care, physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech therapy
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate potential for academic success

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: One scholarship up to \$2,500*

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letter, and essay

Estimated applicants: 64

Estimated awards: 1

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

PCCONST

| High school students | Undergrad program | Full time |
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PC Construction Scholarship

(sponsored by PC Construction)

PC Construction established this scholarship to recognize a Vermont graduating high school senior who demonstrates outstanding performance in a range of areas. The scholarship assists with his or her pursuit of a degree in a construction-related field.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior
- Seek an undergraduate degree in construction management or civil/mechanical engineering
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate strong work ethic
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One \$2,500 scholarship

Selection: Financial need, essay, academic achievement, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 61

Estimated awards: 1

PEDSONE

| High school students | Undergrad program | Full time |
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PedsOne Youth Service Scholarship

(sponsored by PedsOne)

This scholarship was created to support and inspire graduating high school seniors who have demonstrated leadership in community service, and are passionate about and committed to improving the lives of children and/or teens.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior
- Seek an undergraduate degree and/or experiences in college that will support future youth-related work
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate exceptional community service leadership
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement and a work ethic that predict successful completion of a bachelor's degree (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required Documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #2 (community service), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One \$4,000 scholarship

Selection: Essay, recommendation letters, financial need, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 235

Estimated awards: 1

QUILL

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| Any student | Degree program | 1/2 time |
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Karen Quill Scholarship

(sponsored by Vermont Federation of Nurses and Health Professionals and the Quill Family)

The Karen Quill Scholarship was established in 2012 in memory of Karen Quill, a dedicated union nurse.

Eligibility:

- Be an active member or the child of an active member of a union
- Seek an undergraduate or graduate degree in nursing
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement/service
- Attend an accredited school located **within Vermont** and approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #2 (community service), essay #1 (general essay), and membership (*provide the name of the union, the name of the individual who is a member of the union, and their relationship to you*)

Amount: Two scholarships up to \$1,000

Selection: Essay, recommendation letters, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 54

Estimated awards: 2

RAVENRIDGE

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| Any student | Undergrad program | Full time |
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The Raven Ridge Scholarship

This scholarship was created to assist academically promising incoming or current undergraduate students who are passionate about and committed to pursuing a career either in social work or early childhood education in the State of Vermont. All applicants are asked to describe their career goals in the general essay. Priority is given to past Raven Ridge Scholarship recipients.

Eligibility:

- Seek a bachelor's degree in social work or early childhood education in Vermont (*preference given first to social work majors, next to early childhood education majors*)
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate outstanding academic achievement and promise of continued excellence (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Attend an accredited school located **within Vermont** and approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: Up to five \$2,500 scholarships

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 102

Estimated awards: 5

REARDON

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| College students | Any program | 1/2 time |
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AHEC Mimi Reardon Scholarship for Northern Vermont

The Northeastern Vermont Area Health Education Center (now Northern Vermont AHEC) established this scholarship to honor Dr. Mildred A. Reardon, the founder of the AHEC program in Vermont, and to encourage and support students pursuing health careers and who express interest in practicing in a Vermont community.

Eligibility:

- Be a current college student who resides in Caledonia, Essex, Franklin, Grand Isle, Lamoille, Orange, Orleans, or Washington County
- Seek education or training for a career in health care, dental health, mental and behavioral health, public health or social work
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate interest in practicing in Vermont
- Demonstrate financial need

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$1,000*

Selection: Essay, recommendation letter, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 176

Estimated awards: 6

REHABGYM

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| Any student | Cert or Undergrad program | 3/4 time |
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RehabGYM Scholarship

This scholarship was created to assist students who have undergone significant physical challenges or illness and who met those challenges with courage and perseverance.

Eligibility:

- Have overcome a significant physical challenge or illness
- Seek a certificate or undergraduate degree (*priority may be given to those who seek a career in physical or mental health, fitness, wellness, public health, population health, healthcare administration, or other health and wellness adjacent fields*)
- Enroll at least three-quarter time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000*

Selection: Essay and financial need

Estimated applicants: 160

Estimated awards: 1

**There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.*

Submit all required documents.

Check each description carefully to be sure you understand which documents are required for each scholarship for which you're applying. Remember to submit ONE original of each document (duplicates are discarded).

Once a document is on file with VSAC, it's available to every scholarship committee that requires it.

ROTARY-CS

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| Any student | Any program | 1/2 time |
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Charlotte-Shelburne-Hinesburg Rotary Scholarship

The Charlotte-Shelburne-Hinesburg Rotary created this scholarship for residents of Charlotte, Shelburne, or Hinesburg who demonstrate uncommon commitment and service to their communities. One of the scholarships will be awarded in memory of Denny Bowen, and the second in memory of Alan Bates, both former CSH Rotary members.

Eligibility:

- Reside in one of three towns served by the Charlotte-Shelburne-Hinesburg Rotary (Charlotte, Shelburne, and Hinesburg)
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate community involvement and/or service
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #2 (community service), and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: One \$2,000 scholarship. (We hope to offer a second award, pending raising the funds.)

Selection: Recommendation letters and essay

Estimated applicants: 19

Estimated awards: 1

ROTARY-E

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| High school students | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Essex Rotary Scholarship

(sponsored by the Rotary Club of Essex)

The Rotary Club of Essex Scholarship recognizes students from Essex High School, Center for Technology–Essex, and Mt. Mansfield Union High School who have demonstrated high ethical standards and applied the ideal of Rotary's motto "Service Above Self" in their community and personal lives. One of the scholarships will be awarded in the name of former Rotarian Ray Cota.

Eligibility:

- Be a graduating senior of Essex High School, Center for Technology–Essex, or Mt. Mansfield Union High School. If you enrolled in the Center for Technology–Essex, please mention this in your essay.
- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate community involvement and/or service
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)
- Students whose parents and/or legal guardians are Essex Rotarians are not eligible to apply

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #2 (community service), and essay #1 (general essay—if you will graduate from the Center for Technology Essex, please mention this in your essay)

Amount: Up to six \$2,500 scholarships (preference is to award two scholarships each to Essex High School graduating seniors, Mt. Mansfield Union High School graduating seniors, and graduating seniors enrolled at Center for Technology–Essex)

Selection: Financial need, essay, and recommendation letters

Estimated applicants: 45

Estimated awards: 6

ROTARY-WD

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| Any student | Any program | 1/2 time |
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Woodstock Rotary Scholarship

The Woodstock Rotary Scholarship Fund was established to provide scholarship assistance to graduates of Woodstock Union High School who demonstrate characteristics of the Rotary motto, "Service above self." Woodstock Rotarian family members are not eligible to apply.

Eligibility:

- Graduate or have graduated from Woodstock High School
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate community involvement and/or service
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, one recommendation letter #2 (community service), and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$1,000 each*

Selection: Recommendation letter and essay

Estimated applicants: 20

Estimated awards: 8

SAMARA

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| High school students | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Samara Fund Scholarship

The Samara Fund at the Vermont Community Foundation is led by a group of Queer and Trans Vermonters committed to a vision of transformational grants and scholarships to the people and groups throughout Vermont who demonstrate their dedication to the empowerment, health and safety of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ+) people.

Eligibility:

- We fund students who identify as 2SLGBTQIA+ who are committed to positive change for 2SLGBTQIA+ people through their activism, academics, and/or personal growth.
- We fund 2SLGBTQIA+ students living all over the state in both rural communities and cities and who seek to enroll at a four-year college or university, a career or technical college, or a vocational program.
- We prioritize scholarships to students who are Black, Indigenous, and/or people of color.
- We prioritize scholarships to students who are low-income.
- We prioritize funding students who have experienced barriers to education due to their gender and/or sexuality.

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #4 (SAMARA), essay #1 (general essay), and essay #2 (scholarship-specific essay—SAMARA)

Amount: Maximum scholarship amount is up to \$5,000 per student

Selection: Essays, recommendation letters, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 129

Estimated awards: 15

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

SAVAGE

| Any student | Degree program | Any enrollment |
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John Hudson Savage Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by Colchester Rescue Association)

This scholarship was established to honor John Hudson Savage in recognition of his 28 years of volunteer service to the town of Colchester as a member of the Colchester Rescue Squad.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Chittenden County
- Seek an undergraduate, graduate, or professional degree in public safety, including, but not limited to, emergency medical services, fire service, health care, or law enforcement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community service
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #2 (community service), and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: One \$500 scholarship

Selection: Essay, recommendation letters, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 50

Estimated awards: 1

SAWYER

| High school students | Cert or Undergrad program | Full time |
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Ronald H. Sawyer Endowed Scholarship

(sponsored by Ronald H. Sawyer)

This scholarship was established to assist graduating high school seniors from Middlebury Union High School, Mount Abraham Union High School, and/or Vergennes Union High School who plan to attend a technical school, college or university full time, with focus on the trades, agriculture, or agricultural management.

Eligibility:

- Be a graduating high school senior from Middlebury Union High School, Mount Abraham Union High School or Vergennes Union High School
- Seek an undergraduate degree or certificate in agriculture, agricultural management or a technical degree in the trades, including but not limited to: HVAC, plumbing, electrical, automotive technology, masonry, or metalworking
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and transcript

Renewability: Renewable for one additional year.

Amount: Maximum two scholarships up to \$5,000 each*

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, recommendation letter, and essay

Estimated applicants: 12

Estimated awards: 2

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

SEARLES

| High school students | Degree program | NEW! Full time |
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The Brian R. Searles Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by the Brian R. Searles Scholarship Committee)

This scholarship was established in memory of and to honor Essex High School alumni Brian R. Searles who died in 2024. Brian was a recognized role model epitomizing what it means to be a true public servant. He was a talented and humble leader who spent 40+ years serving the State of Vermont in many different positions—South Burlington Police Chief, Executive Director of the VT Police Academy, BTV Airport director, VT Transportation Secretary (twice), VT Assistant Admin Secretary, and St. Albans town manager. His leadership and contributions had a positive impact on the people he worked with and made Vermont a better place. This scholarship has been established to provide financial support to a high school graduate or graduating senior who has shown a commitment to public service, leadership qualities, academic achievement, strong work ethic, and financial need.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior graduating from a Vermont high school
- Enroll full time
- Plan to pursue a career in public service
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service (preference given to applicants who demonstrate school and community involvement/service)
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and recommendation letter #2 (community service)

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essay, recommendation letters, and financial need

Estimated applicants: TBD

Estimated awards: 1

Remember:

Scholarships are competitive; applicants who apply **compete** for a limited number of awards. It's the **applicant's** responsibility to make sure their application is complete and on time. VSAC doesn't contact applicants to let them know whether something is incomplete and/or missing.

SHANKS

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| College students | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Alicia Shanks Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established in memory of Mrs. Alicia Shanks to assist college students who have demonstrated the capacity to become passionate and dedicated teachers.

Eligibility:

- Be a current college student enrolled in your sophomore, junior, or senior year of college
- Seek a bachelor's degree in elementary or secondary education
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate involvement outside the college classroom (volunteer work, working for pay, leadership, clubs, etc.—*speak to this in your general essay*)
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative—*preferably from a current professor*), essay #1 (general essay—*speak to activities you are involved in outside the college classroom*), and transcript

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$1,000 each*

Selection: Essay, recommendation letter, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 77

Estimated awards: 3

SHUTLER

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| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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The Shutler-MacMartin Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Lt. Gen. Philip D. Shutler, USMC (retired) and his family to encourage Northfield High School graduates with a passion for and commitment to their chosen field to pursue education or training in this profession after high school.

Eligibility:

- Graduate or have graduated from Northfield High School
- Demonstrate school/community involvement, specifically:
 - demonstrated performance as a positive role model
 - enthusiastically participated in the life of Northfield High School
 - contributed as a citizen of a global society
- Be a student in good academic standing

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and transcript

Amount: Two \$1,000 scholarships (one to a male, and one to a female)*

Selection: Essay and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 10

Estimated awards: 2

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

SKIVT

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| High school students | Cert or Undergrad program | Full time |
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Ski Vermont Scholarship

(sponsored by the Vermont Ski Areas Association)

The Vermont Ski Areas Association established this scholarship to provide financial assistance and encourage students with a passion for skiing, snowboarding, the mountains, and the outdoors to pursue a course of study related to ski area management.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior who plans to work in the ski industry by seeking a certificate or degree in recreation/ski area management, tourism/hospitality, civil and environmental engineering, environmental studies, or related technology field such as lift maintenance or diesel power technology
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: Maximum of three scholarships up to \$2,000 each

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 61

Estimated awards: 3

SOULE

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| Any student | Cert, Undergrad or ND program | Full time |
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The Sarah Soule Oliva Fund Scholarship

(sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Leigh Oliva)

This scholarship was established to provide funding for students who have attended or graduated from Middlebury Union High School and wish to pursue higher education or training in the trades. Financial need is considered a priority for the recipients of the awards.

Eligibility:

- Graduating or have graduated from Middlebury Union High School
- Reside in Addison County
- Seek an undergraduate degree, or enroll in a certificate or non-degree program in the trades
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate financial need

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: Maximum thirteen scholarships up to \$3,000 each

Selection: Financial need and essay

Estimated applicants: 24

Estimated awards: 7

SPRAGUE

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| Any student | Cert or Undergrad program | 1/2 time |
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Ron and Judy Sprague Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established to honor the lives of Ron and Judy Sprague of Brandon, Vermont, who valued family, the independent spirit of their state, and the beauty of the natural world. Born with limited means, both sacrificed and worked hard to support their family. Through hard work, developing new skills, and making decisions toward a better tomorrow, they created a comfortable home, financial security, and new opportunities for themselves and their children.

Eligibility:

- Be a resident of Rutland County (*preference for residents of Brandon or Rutland*)
- Demonstrate strong work ethic
- Be among the first generation in your family to seek a certification or attend college/university
- Demonstrate commitment to chosen field
- Demonstrate resiliency and the ability to strive toward long-range goals
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school located **within Vermont** and approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essay, financial need, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 49 **Estimated awards:** 1

SPRINGEQ

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| High school students | Any program | Any enrollment |
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The Springfield Equity Scholarship for BIPOC Students

(sponsored by the Springfield Equity Committee)

This scholarship supports BIPOC students from Springfield High School and River Valley Technical Center with funds for tuition or other expenses associated with continuing education.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior of color graduating from Springfield High School or River Valley Technical Center
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate commitment to social justice and equity in your school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay—*include specific examples of how your experience as a person of color shaped you into the person you are today*), and transcript

Amount: Maximum \$4,000 awarded annually

Selection: Essay, recommendation letter, academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 18 **Estimated awards:** 1

STAFFORD

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| High school students | Undergrad program | 1/2 time |
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Helen K. and Robert T. Stafford Scholarship

This scholarship was created to honor the entire Stafford family by providing financial support to a student who demonstrates strong financial need and a commitment to a career in environmental studies or special education, and who shows deep compassion and enthusiasm for making the world a better place.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior
- Seek an undergraduate degree in environmental studies or special education
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement and/or service
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000*

Selection: Financial need, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 93 **Estimated awards:** 1

STONYFIELD

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| Any student | Cert, Undergrad, or ND program | 1/2 time |
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Stonyfield Farm Endowed Scholarship for St. Albans Cooperative Creamery

The owners of Stonyfield Farm established this scholarship to convey their gratitude and appreciation to the St. Albans Cooperative Creamery for its support, partnerships, and friendship.

Eligibility:

- Be a Vermont resident who is a member or partnering farmer of the successor in interest to the St. Albans Cooperative Creamery, or a spouse or dependent child of a member or participating farmer of the successor in interest
- Seek a certificate or an undergraduate degree, or enroll in a non-degree program
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and membership (*provide the name of the individual who is a member or employee of the St. Albans Cooperative Creamery, and their relationship to you*)

Amount: Maximum \$5,000 awarded annually*

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letter, and essay

Estimated applicants: 9 **Estimated awards:** 2

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

SWITZER

| Any student | Cert or Undergrad program | 1/2 time |
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Helen J. Switzer Nursing Scholarship

Helen Switzer's children established this scholarship to honor their mother's commitment to nursing and her 30-year career caring for the sick and elderly.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Windham County (*preference given to residents of Rockingham, Westminster, Athens, and Grafton—in that order*)
- Enroll at least half time in a licensed practical nursing degree program (LPN) OR an associate degree of science in nursing degree program (AS, RN) OR a bachelor of science in nursing degree program (BSN, RN)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: Two or more scholarships up to \$1,000 each*

Selection: Financial need, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 19

Estimated awards: 2

TAIGH

| Any student | Undergrad program | 1/2 time |
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Taigh Scholarship

This scholarship was established to inspire and encourage residents of Peacham to pursue education after high school. It is the donors' intent to assist students from rural areas, particularly those who are among the first generation in their families to attend college.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Caledonia County (*preference given to applicants who are residents of Peacham and/or are among the first generation in their families to attend college*)
- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$1,000 each*

Selection: Essay, recommendation letter, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 76

Estimated awards: 1

Remember:

Scholarship committees will not consider your application if it is incomplete (missing one or more required documents) or late (one or more required documents is submitted/postmarked after February 11, 2026).

TAISEY

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Mary B. Taisey Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by Newbury Alumni Association)

This scholarship was established by the Newbury Alumni Association with funds donated in her memory by William S. Kenty, Class of 1933. Mr. Kenty boarded at Miss Taisey's while attending Newbury High School and she became his adopted grandmother. Mr. Kenty served in the U.S. Army for 30 years, was a purple heart recipient, and retired as a major.

Eligibility:

- Be a resident of the town of Newbury, Vermont
- Will graduate or have graduated from Oxbow High School (*preference given to current high school seniors attending Oxbow High School*)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and transcript

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship*

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 4

Estimated awards: 1

TATARB

| Any student | Undergrad program | Full time |
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The Tatarczuch Family Scholarship (Business)

This scholarship was established to honor the memory of Thomas F. Tatarczuch, a man of integrity, whose career in management, accounting, and finance was dedicated to preserving and expanding manufacturing opportunities throughout North America. The purpose of this scholarship is to assist students in pursuing a bachelor's degree in accounting, finance, and/or business management.

Eligibility:

- Seek a bachelor's degree in accounting, finance, and/or business management
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans). For-profit schools are excluded from this scholarship.

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One scholarship up to \$5,000*

Selection: Essay, financial need, academic achievement, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 159

Estimated awards: 1

* There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

THV

| Any student | Cert or Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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THV Scholarship

This scholarship was created to encourage Windham County residents to seek education after high school and to contribute fully to freedom, peace, and social understanding throughout the world, beginning in their own homes and communities.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Windham County or in the towns of Readsboro or Searsburg in Bennington County (*preference given to residents of the Deerfield Valley towns of Dover, Halifax, Readsboro, Searsburg, Whitingham, and Wilmington who are first-generation college-bound, and/or nontraditional students*)
- Seek a certificate or undergraduate degree
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: Scholarships range from \$1,000 to \$5,000—maximum \$25,000 awarded annually*

Selection: Financial need, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 91 **Estimated awards:** 11

TRINITY

| Any student | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Trinity College of Vermont Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by the Trinity College of Vermont Association of Alumni and Friends)

The Trinity College of Vermont Association of Alumni and Friends awards this scholarship to promote empowerment through education, and to encourage work that supports healthy communities and social justice.

Eligibility:

- Seek an undergraduate degree in social work or education
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement and/or service
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #2 (community service), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essay, recommendation letter, financial need, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 185 **Estimated awards:** 1

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

TWINVLLY

| Any students | Cert. or Undergrad program | 3/4 time |
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Twin Valley Success Scholarship

This scholarship was established to acknowledge and assist a Twin Valley Middle High School student who has demonstrated a strong work ethic in achieving academic success.

Eligibility:

- Will graduate or have graduated from Twin Valley Middle High School
- Be a resident of Windham County or Bennington County
- Seek a certificate or undergraduate degree
- Enroll at least three-quarter time
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative—*must be from a current professor, teacher, or instructor*), and transcript

Amount: Up to \$11,000 awarded annually

Selection: Essay, recommendation letter, financial need, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: TBD **Estimated awards:** TBD

UPPERVALLY

| Any student | Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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Upper Valley Scholarship

(sponsored by the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation)

This scholarship was created to provide financial support to residents of the Upper Valley who pursue education after high school.

Eligibility:

- Town of legal residence must be: Baltimore, Barnard, Bethel, Bradford, Bridgewater, Cavendish, Chelsea, Corinth, East Ryegate, Fairlee, Groton, Hartford, Hartland, Newbury, Norwich, Pomfret, Randolph, Reading, Royalton, Ryegate, Sharon, South Ryegate, Springfield, Strafford, Thetford, Topsham, Tunbridge, Vershire, Weathersfield, West Fairlee, West Windsor, Windsor, or Woodstock
- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Demonstrate financial need (*preference given to applicants who are among the first generation in their families to attend college*)
- Demonstrate community involvement/service
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #2 (community service), and essay #1 (general essay)

Renewability: May be renewable for up to three additional years.

Amount: Approximately four scholarships up to \$1,000 each

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letter, and essay

Estimated applicants: 208 **Estimated awards:** 4

VELCO

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| College students | Undergrad program | Full time |
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The VELCO STEM Studies Scholarship

(sponsored by Vermont Electric Power Company, Inc.)

This scholarship supports Vermont students from historically under-represented groups who have completed/are scheduled to complete at least 24 credits (or the equivalent of two full-time years of attendance) at an accredited institution, and who wish to continue their education by pursuing a bachelor's degree in a STEM field (science, technology, engineering, mathematics).

Eligibility:

- Have already completed or are on target to complete at least 24 credits (or the equivalent of two full-time years of attendance) this academic year
- Seek a bachelor's degree in a STEM field (especially, but not exclusively engineering, environmental science, mathematics, information technology)
- Enroll full-time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Self-identify as being from a group historically underrepresented in the STEM field (including, but not limited to, minority racial/ethnic backgrounds, LGBTQ+, women, ability, veterans, non-traditional family backgrounds, citizenship and nationality)
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, Direct loans).

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative, must be from a faculty or staff member at the undergraduate school you attended), essay #1 (general essay), transcript showing proof of credits, and self-certification (a brief paragraph documenting that you identify as a member of a group historically underrepresented in the STEM field)

Renewability: May be renewable for up to one additional year.

Amount: One \$5,000 scholarship (*will also be offered the option to apply for a supplementary paid summer internship*)

Selection: Financial need, certification, recommendation letter, and essay

Estimated applicants: 142

Estimated awards: 1

Are you mailing a document to VSAC?

Include your full name and last four digits of your Social Security number on EVERY document.

Without this information, VSAC will be unable to determine that it belongs with your application.

Your application will therefore be considered incomplete and won't be considered, even though you may have submitted all required documents.

VENKATRMN

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| Any student | Any program | 1/2 time |
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The Krishnan Venkataraman Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established to support Black, Indigenous, and people of color (BIPOC) who have faced and continue to face significant barriers in their access to education.

Eligibility:

- Identify as one or more of the following: BIPOC, Latinx, Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI), Indigenous, Black, and/or Hispanic (*you must speak to this in your general essay*)
- Face significant barriers that limit your access to education after high school
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate commitment to chosen field
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1(non-relative), and transcript

Renewability: May be renewable for up to one additional year.

Amount: One scholarship up to \$2,000

Selection: Essay, recommendation letter, financial need, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 118

Estimated awards: 1

VETCLUB

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| High school students | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Burlington Veterans' Club Scholarship

The Burlington Veterans' Club established an education trust fund with VSAC to help Vermont students pursue education beyond high school. VSAC arranged for the proceeds from the trust to be distributed as scholarships to Chittenden County high school seniors.

Eligibility:

- Graduate from a Chittenden County high school
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,500*

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, recommendation letter, and essay

Estimated applicants: 177

Estimated awards: 1

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VFWGI

| High school students | Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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Grand Isle County Veterans of Foreign Wars Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the Grand Isle County Veterans of Foreign War Post 10854 to support higher education for Vermont high school seniors pursuing an associate or bachelor's degree.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior residing in Grand Isle County
- Seek an associate or bachelor's degree
- Demonstrate financial need
- Preference given to veterans or dependents of veterans (*speak to this in your general essay*)
- Demonstrate community service
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay—*speak to your or your parents' veteran status*), two recommendation letters #1 (non-relative)

Amount: Up to four \$2,000 scholarships*

Selection: Financial need, essay, and recommendation letters

Estimated applicants: 3 **Estimated awards:** 1

VFWLUDLOW

| High school students | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Ludlow VFW Scholarship

The members of the Ludlow VFW Post 10155 established this scholarship to help students from Cavendish, Ludlow, Mount Holly, and Plymouth who aspire to attend college but lack the financial resources to do so.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior who resides in Cavendish, Ludlow, Mount Holly, or Plymouth (*preference given to students who had a parent or grandparent that served in any branch of the armed forces*)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and membership (*If applicable, provide the name of the parent or grandparent who served in the armed forces, as well as the branch of the armed forces in which he/she served.*)

Amount: One or more scholarships up to \$1,000 each*

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letter, and essay

Estimated applicants: 9 **Estimated awards:** 2

VICKERS

| Any student | Cert, Undergrad, or ND program | Any enrollment |
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Don Vickers Scholarship

Don Vickers served as president and CEO of VSAC for a full quarter-century from 1988 to 2013. He joined VSAC in 1971 as director of the state grant programs. When he retired from VSAC in June 2013, his colleagues, friends, and staff contributed to an endowment for the purpose of awarding one or more scholarships in his honor.

Eligibility:

- Seek a certificate or an undergraduate degree, or enroll in a non-degree program
- Intend to work in public service
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement/service
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #2 (community service), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Renewability: May be renewable for up to three additional years.

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000*

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letters, essay, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 260 **Estimated awards:** 1

VPA-EB

| Any student | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Vermont Police Association:

Erwin Bugbee Memorial Scholarship

The Vermont Police Association created this scholarship in memory of one of its past presidents, Erwin Bugbee of the Bellows Falls Police Department.

Eligibility:

- Seek an undergraduate degree in law enforcement
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essay and financial need

Estimated applicants: 47 **Estimated awards:** 1

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VPA-GGRW

| Any student | Undergrad program | Full time |
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**Vermont Police Association:
Gene Gaiotti & Ron West Memorial Scholarship**

The Vermont Police Association created this scholarship in memory of one of its past presidents, Gene Gaiotti, a member of the Vermont Liquor Control Department who was killed in the line of duty, and Ron West.

Eligibility:

- Be a police officer (or a legal dependent of a police officer) who is an active member of the Vermont Police Association
- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), and membership (*provide the name of the individual who is a member of the Vermont Police Association, and their relationship to you*)

Renewability: May be renewable for up to three additional years.

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essay and financial need

Estimated applicants: 12

Estimated awards: 1

VPA-GW

| Any student | Undergrad program | Full time |
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**Vermont Police Association:
George Whitney Scholarship**

The Vermont Police Association created this scholarship in recognition of George Whitney, who served the VPA as its secretary/treasurer for more than 25 years.

Eligibility:

- Seek an undergraduate degree in a field related to public safety, including but not limited to, emergency services, law enforcement, or criminal justice.
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essay and financial need

Estimated applicants: 91

Estimated awards: 1

VPA-HF

| Any student | Undergrad program | Full time |
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**Vermont Police Association:
Herbert Fullam Scholarship**

The Vermont Police Association created this scholarship in memory of one of its founders, Herbert Fullam of the Springfield Police Department.

Eligibility:

- Be a legal dependent of a police officer who is an active member of the Vermont Police Association
- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), and membership (*provide the name of the individual who is a member of the Vermont Police Association, and their relationship to you*)

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essay and financial need

Estimated applicants: 15

Estimated awards: 1

VPA-JK

| Any student | Undergrad program | Full time |
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**Vermont Police Association:
John J. King Scholarship**

The Vermont Police Association created this scholarship in recognition of John King who served the VPA as Scholarship Chair for more than 40 years.

Eligibility:

- Seek an undergraduate degree in a field related to public safety, including but not limited to emergency services, law enforcement, or criminal justice.
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay—*include in your essay the reason why you are applying for a scholarship from the Vermont Police Association*), and one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative)

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essay, recommendation letter, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 72

Estimated awards: 1

VPA-RM

| Any student | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Vermont Police Association: Raymond R. Mooney Scholarship

The Vermont Police Association created this scholarship in memory of Captain Mooney of the Rutland Police Department, who served for several years as secretary/treasurer of the Vermont Police Association.

Eligibility:

- Seek an undergraduate degree in a field related to public safety, including, but not limited to, emergency services, law enforcement, or criminal justice
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, and essay #1 (general essay)

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essay and financial need

Estimated applicants: 86

Estimated awards: 1

VSG-AG

| HS and college students | Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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Vermont State Grange Agricultural Scholarship

The Vermont State Grange Agricultural Scholarship was created to encourage Vermont students to enter the field of agriculture.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior or enrolled in college
- Seek an undergraduate degree in agriculture
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community service
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #2 (community service), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One \$750 scholarship

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 44

Estimated awards: 1

Award year

Scholarships awarded in 2026 are applied toward education expenses that will be incurred during the 2026–2027 academic year.

VSG-COSS

| College students | Cert or Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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Vermont State Grange Alice Cossingham Scholarship

This scholarship was created to encourage Vermont students to enter the field of nursing.

Eligibility:

- Be a current college student
- Seek a certificate or an undergraduate degree in nursing (practical nursing, licensed practical nursing, or registered nursing)
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative; applicants are encouraged to submit a letter from a current instructor), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One \$500 scholarship

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 158

Estimated awards: 1

VSG-EAF

| Any student | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Vermont State Grange Educational Aid Fund

The Vermont State Grange created this scholarship to assist students with obtaining their associate or bachelor's degrees.

Eligibility:

- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community service
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #2 (community service), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: Two \$1,000 scholarships

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 748

Estimated awards: 2

VSG-VT

| High school students | Cert or Undergrad program | Full time |
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Vermont State Grange Scholarship (Vocational/Technical)

The Vermont State Grange created this scholarship to assist high school seniors with obtaining vocational or technical education.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior
- Seek a certificate or undergraduate degree
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited **vocational** or **technical school**

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One \$1,500 scholarship

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, and essay

Estimated applicants: 159 **Estimated awards:** 1

VTBROADCAST

| Any student | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Vermont Association of Broadcasters Scholarship

The intent of this scholarship is to fund an employee or a direct family member of an employee of a Vermont radio or television station.

Eligibility:

- Be an employee or a direct family member of an employee of a Vermont radio or television station
- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #2 (community service), essay #1 (general essay), and membership information (*broadcast relation declaration letter with the full name of the broadcast employee; the full name of the radio or television station where the employee works; and the employee's relationship to you, if applicable*).

Amount: Up to \$1,250 awarded annually*

Selection: Membership information (*broadcast relation declaration letter*), recommendation letter, essay, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 11 **Estimated awards:** 1

*There can be no guarantee of a scholarship award for this scholarship, or the size of an award, as this scholarship is funded by an endowment subject to laws restricting disbursements under certain investment yield scenarios.

VTDAIRY

| Any student | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Vermont Dairy Industry Association (VDIA) Memorial Scholarship

The Vermont Dairy Industry Association established this scholarship to further its commitment to assist students in their educational pursuits in the study of dairying.

Eligibility:

- Seek an undergraduate degree in dairy business/production, dairy sciences, or a related field
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay—*describe the impact that your prior experiences with agriculture made on your decision to pursue a career in, or associated with, dairy*), and transcript

Amount: One to six scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$1,000

Selection: Recommendation letter, essay, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 21 **Estimated awards:** 6

VTDAR

| High school students | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Vermont DAR Citizenship Scholarship

This scholarship was created to promote dependability, community service, leadership, historic preservation, and patriotism among high school seniors.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior
- Seek an undergraduate degree in the social sciences, such as anthropology, archaeology, criminology, economics, geography, history, international relations, philosophy, political science, psychology, social work, sociology, or urban studies (*preference given to applicants who demonstrate and promote dependability, community service, leadership, historic preservation, and patriotism*)
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay; *include how your interests and activities relate to the Vermont DAR scholarship objective to promote dependability, community service, leadership, historic preservation, and patriotism*), and transcript

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, recommendation letter, and essay

Estimated applicants: 173 **Estimated awards:** 1

VTDENTAL

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Vermont Dental Hygiene Scholarship

(sponsored by the Hill Family and Vermont Dental Foundation)

This scholarship was established by the members of the Vermont State Dental Society to encourage Vermont residents preparing to enter the dental hygiene profession.

Eligibility:

- Enroll in an accredited dental hygiene program (*preference given to students enrolled, or enrolling in, a program leading to initial degree attainment [associate degree] in a dental hygiene program*)
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One or more scholarships totaling between \$18,000 and \$22,000

Selection: Academic achievement, financial need, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 45

Estimated awards: 7

VTFEEDDEAL

| Any student | Degree program | Any enrollment |
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Vermont Feed Dealers and Manufacturers Association Scholarship

This scholarship was established to support students who are pursuing a degree in fields related to agriculture.

Eligibility:

- Seek an undergraduate, graduate, or professional degree in a field related to agriculture, including, but not limited to, animal sciences, agribusiness, feed manufacturing, animal nutrition, plant and soil science, forestry, horticulture, or veterinary medicine
- Clearly demonstrate academic and career goals that support the future of agriculture in Vermont
- Past applicants and recipients may reapply and receive funding multiple years in a row, provided they continue to meet eligibility requirements
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and essay #1 (general essay—*clearly explain your academic and career goals that support production agriculture, animal nutrition, and feed manufacturing in Vermont*)

Amount: One or more scholarships totaling up to \$10,000

Selection: Essay and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 64

Estimated awards: 4

VTLAKEPOND

| Any student | Degree program | 1/4 time |
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Vermont Lakes and Ponds Scholarship

(sponsored by the Federation of Vermont Lakes and Ponds, Inc.)

This scholarship was created to encourage and support students who are seeking education beyond high school and are interested in pursuing aquatic environmental studies, such as watershed management, water resources education, and limnology.

Eligibility:

- Seek an undergraduate, graduate, or professional degree in environmental studies (*preference given to students seeking a degree in aquatic environmental studies, such as watershed management, water resources education, and limnology*)
- Enroll at least one-quarter time
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement and/or service
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), one recommendation letter #2 (community service), essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: Up to two \$500 scholarships

Selection: Essay, recommendation letters, financial need, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 64

Estimated awards: 1–2

VTMENTOR

| Any student | Any program | 1/2 time |
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Vermont Mentoring Scholarship

This scholarship was created (1) to provide financial assistance to individuals who have participated as mentees in a mentoring program; (2) to provide additional incentives for young people to join, fully participate in, and commit to a mentoring program; and (3) to provide a giving avenue for individuals who want to contribute to the mentoring movement but have work and family obligations that limit their ability to do so.

Eligibility:

- Be or have been a mentee in a recognized MENTOR Vermont mentoring program for a minimum of two consecutive years
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), transcript, and certification-Mentoring Program (*provide a signed statement from an authorized official of the recognized MENTOR Vermont mentoring program in which you participated, indicating the name and location of the program, the name of your mentor/s, and the date you started and, if applicable, ended your participation*)

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000

Selection: Recommendation letter, essay, financial need, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 32

Estimated awards: 1

VT SHERIFF

| Any student | Degree program | Any enrollment |
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Vermont Sheriffs' Association Scholarship

The Vermont Sheriffs' Association created this scholarship to assist Vermont residents seeking degrees in law enforcement in order to become police officers.

Eligibility:

- Seek an undergraduate, graduate, or professional degree in law enforcement to become a police officer
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essay, academic achievement, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 33 **Estimated awards:** 1

WILLIAMS

| High school students | Cert or Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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Owen D. Williams Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by co-workers, family, and friends of Owen)

Owen Williams worked for VSAC as a web developer for many years and passed away due to complications from COVID-19. Owen was a kind, caring, and thoughtful person who was dedicated to VSAC's mission. He was never afraid to do the right thing and looked out for those who were marginalized and defenseless in this world. VSAC staff, family and friends have created this scholarship in his memory.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior graduating from a high school located in Chittenden or Washington county (*preference given to students graduating from Spaulding High School*)
- Seek a certificate or undergraduate degree in a science-related field
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans).

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, essay #1 (general essay), one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and transcript

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Selection: Essay, recommendation letter, and academic achievement

Estimated applicants: 76 **Estimated awards:** 1

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| Any student | Cert or Undergrad program | 1/2 time |
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The Carl T. Witherell Technical Scholarship

(sponsored by The New Hampshire Charitable Foundation)

This scholarship was created to provide financial assistance to graduates of the Hartford school system who are pursuing technical training after high school.

Eligibility:

- Graduate of (or will graduate from) Hartford High School or Hartford Area Career and Technology Center
- Seek a certificate or associate degree in a technical field
- Enroll at least half time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), and essay #1 (general essay).

Renewability: May be renewable for one additional year.

Amount: Six or more scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$5,000

Selection: Financial need, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 61 **Estimated awards:** 1

ZABROSKY

| High school students | Undergrad program | Full time |
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The Jedidiah Zabrosky Scholarship

(sponsored by the Zabrosky family)

This scholarship was established by the Zabrosky family to aid a Vermont student interested in pursuing a degree in special education.

Eligibility:

- Be a graduating high school senior
- Seek an undergraduate degree in special education
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Be among the first generation in your family to attend college (*neither parent received a bachelor's degree—speak to this in your essay*)
- Attend an accredited school located within Vermont and approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), and one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative)

Amount: One scholarship up to \$2,000

Selection: Financial need, essay, and recommendation letter

Estimated applicants: 18 **Estimated awards:** 1

Don't assume.

Check the status of required documents through your MyVSAC account online at:

secureacctaccess.vvac.org/myvsac/

or call us if you have ANY questions.

Toll-free **888-253-4819**

Burlington area **802-654-3798**

VSAC-Assisted **Forgivable Loans**

The forgivable loans on the following pages are administered by VSAC and use the **Unified Scholarship Application (USA)**.

Please refer to the forgivable loan descriptions for application instructions.

What is a forgivable loan?

The state of Vermont and some private organizations offer a number of forgivable loan programs to encourage students to enter the Vermont workforce in specific high-demand fields. These programs:

- are typically interest free (the promissory note will provide interest rate if applicable)
- require a signed promissory note to accept the funding and the conditions of the program.
- do not require payment while the student is enrolled in the applicable degree or training program.
- are “forgiven,” meaning that the loan does not have to be paid back when the student meets the conditions and work obligations outlined in the signed promissory note
- must be repaid if the student does not complete the program, receive their license, and work in the intended field, in Vermont, following completion of the program.

Who should apply?

- Students attending (or planning to attend) an approved college, university or training program within the United States or Canada who:
 - are United States citizens (or eligible non-citizens)**,
 - and
 - intend to work in Vermont, in the field of study for which they received the forgivable loan, following the completion of their program

How to apply?

The process is the same as applying for other VSAC-assisted scholarships:

- Complete the Unified Scholarship Application (USA) in your MyVSAC account at secureacctaccess.vsac.org/myvsac/
 - If you don't have a MyVSAC account, click on “Register Now” and follow the instructions.

** Students who are not United States citizens or eligible non-citizens are eligible to apply for any state-funded forgivable loans.

- Each forgivable loan usually requires at least one additional **required document**, listed in the loan description. See pages 4–7 for details about required documents, and submit those required online, through your MyVSAC account.
 - If the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is required and you are an out-of-state resident, you must submit a copy of your FAFSA Submission Summary. If you are a Vermont resident, VSAC will automatically receive your FAFSA, once processed.

When to apply?

- The USA is available October 1, 2025.
- **Funding is limited and not guaranteed.** The priority deadline is **February 11, 2026**, to submit the USA and all required documents for forgivable loans.
- Forgivable loans are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis as long as funding is available. Those who apply by the priority deadline will be considered first.
- Forgivable loans are not renewable; students must reapply each year.

How to check the status of your application?

- Check the status of your application through your MyVSAC account online at vsac.org—click on “Work with Scholarships & Forgivable Loans.”

Your responsibilities

- If awarded a forgivable loan, you are required to:
 - sign a promissory note that will be mailed to you with your award notification, committing to the conditions and specific work obligations of the program.
 - repay the loan if you do NOT meet the conditions of the promissory note—including but not limited to: not completing the program; not receiving your license; and not working in your field of study, in Vermont, following licensure/completion of program.
 - respond to and complete an annual verification process with the VSAC Scholarship Program.

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| Any students | Undergrad program | 1/2 time |

Northeast Delta Dental Hygienist Forgivable Loan Incentive Program (Interest-Free and Forgivable)

(sponsored by Northeast Delta Dental)

This program was established by Northeast Delta Dental to encourage and support dental hygienist students who are Vermont residents to practice in Vermont for a minimum of one year for each year of forgivable loan awarded upon completion of their education.

Eligibility:

- Enroll in a dental hygienist program
- Enroll at least half time
- Maintain good standing at your school
- Agree to work full-time as a dental hygienist in Vermont, for a minimum of one year following licensure, for each year of forgivable loan awarded
- Complete and sign a promissory note agreeing to repayment of the loan if the employment service commitment is not met
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), and official transcript

Conditions

Partial/complete forgiveness of interest-free loan under the following conditions:

- Completion of one year of full-time employment as a dental hygienist in Vermont

Application timeline: Awards determined on a first-come, first-served basis, as long as the funding is available. We encourage you to apply by the deadline; however, applications will be accepted after the deadline provided funding is available.

Amount: Tuition charged for your program, up to the in-state tuition rate at Vermont State University (award may be used to cover room, board, books, and supplies expenses). Funding for this program is determined annually and is not guaranteed.

Estimated applicants: TBD

Estimated awards: TBD

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| Graduate students | Graduate program | Full time |

VT AHEC Scholars Medical Student Incentive Scholarship/Loan Forgiveness Program

(sponsored by the State of Vermont)

This program was established by the Vermont legislature in collaboration with the Department of Health, UVM's Office of Primary Care and Area Health Education Centers Program (AHEC), and Vermont Student Assistance Corporation (VSAC). The purpose of the program is to strengthen the primary care workforce pipeline and increase the number of new physicians practicing in Vermont to meet the health care needs of Vermonters, with a focus on rural areas and undersupplied medical specialties. Funding for this program is conditional upon annual legislative appropriation.

Eligibility:

- Vermont residency **not** required
- Be enrolled full time in your third or fourth year of the Larner College of Medicine at the University of Vermont
- Intend to work in Vermont as a primary care physician in an eligible medical specialty (listed below) for a minimum of one year following the completion of your medical training
- If awarded, you must sign a promissory note detailing the terms and conditions of the award. The award and its terms become binding once the promissory note is signed and executed. Disbursement of the award will not be made unless a signed promissory note is received.

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application and personal statement/required questions (email scholarships@vsac.org to obtain the required questions)

Conditions

Complete forgiveness of this loan under the following conditions:

- Practice medicine in Vermont in one of the following medical specialty priority areas, outside of Chittenden County, in a facility not owned by an academic medical center and that accepts patients covered by Medicaid, Medicare, or other publicly funded health benefit program:
 - family medicine
 - internal medicine adult primary care
 - pediatric primary care
 - obstetrics-gynecology
 - psychiatry

Amount: Award amount no less than the in-state tuition rate for the Larner College of Medicine (LCOM) at the University of Vermont

Selection: Personal statement/required questions and input from AHEC/LCOM Selection Committee

Estimated applicants: 74

Estimated awards: 4

VNGTBP

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Vermont National Guard Tuition Benefit Program (Interest-free and forgivable)

The Vermont National Guard Tuition Benefit Program (VNGTBP) was established as an interest-free, forgivable loan program in 2018 by the Vermont General Assembly to recruit and retain high quality Guard members. This program replaced the National Guard Educational Assistance Program (NGEAP), previously established in 1998. In 2022, the VNGTBP was expanded to include second bachelor's and master's degrees. Funding for this program is conditional on annual legislative appropriation.

Eligibility:

- Vermont residency **not** required
- Be an active member, in good standing, of the Vermont National Guard
- Have successfully completed basic training
- Plan to attend a Vermont university, college (unless the degree program is not available in Vermont), or an eligible training institution offering certificate training or continuing education programs beginning on or after July 1, 2023
- If pursuing a second bachelor's degree, first bachelor's degree was not funded through either VNGTBP or NGEAP
- Not be in default on a federal education loan
- Demonstrate satisfactory academic progress
- Have exhausted any available post-September 11, 2001 tuition benefits and other federally funded military tuition assistance; provided, however, that this subdivision shall not apply to: (a) tuition benefits and other federally funded military tuition assistance for which the individual has not yet earned the full amount of the benefit or tuition; (b) Montgomery GI Bill benefits; (c) post-September 11, 2001 educational program housing allowances; (d) federal educational entitlements; (e) National Guard scholarship grants; (f) loans under section 2856 of this title; and (g) other nontuition benefits

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application and Vermont National Guard Certification form

Conditions

To be eligible for partial/complete forgiveness of this tuition benefit interest-free loan:

- Member must complete two years of service (after the scholarship is first disbursed) in the Vermont National Guard for each full academic year award disbursed. Service commitment is served concurrently with Service Member's current contract.
- Members participating on less than a full-time basis must complete one month of service for each credit hour attempted, not to exceed 12 months of service for a single semester.
- Members participating in training programs must complete 6 months of service for each credential earned and 1 month for every credit hour for certificates. Each Guard member may enroll in up to two training program certificates/credentials per term, and up to two terms per year.
- Members using VNGTBP to attain a graduate degree must, on receipt of the degree and until the individual's service commitment under 16 V.S.A. 2857(d) is satisfied, be employed full time in Vermont or, if unemployed, be actively seeking full-time employment in Vermont.

VSAC annually determines the amount of the interest-free loan to be forgiven for each completed year of service.

Application timeline: Funding is limited and not guaranteed. Awards are determined on a first-come, first-served basis, as long as the funding is available. Those who apply by the postmark deadline will be considered first. We encourage you to apply by the deadline; however, applications will be accepted after the deadline provided funding is available.

Amount: The amount of the award will vary depending upon the institution and/or program in which the student enrolls. Visit vsac.org/military for more information.

Selection: Based on whether applicant meets all eligibility requirements

Estimated applicants: 82

Estimated awards: 18

VTDENTIST

| Graduate students | Graduate program | Full time |
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Vermont State Dentist Incentive Loan Program (Interest-Free and Forgivable)

(sponsored by the State of Vermont and Vermont Department of Health)

This program was established by the Vermont Legislature to respond to a dentist shortage in Vermont and to ensure an adequate number of dentists to meet the future healthcare needs of Vermonters, including increased access for the Medicaid population. The program is designed for students who are committed to working in Vermont as dentists upon graduation. Funding for this program is conditional on annual legislative appropriation. While Vermont residency is **not** required while applicant is attending dental school, he/she must demonstrate a history of previous Vermont residency.

Eligibility:

- Be a current graduate student who has completed the first year and is entering the second, third, or fourth year of a dental program
- Enroll full time in an accredited dental school
- Intend to work as a dentist in Vermont for a minimum of one year following licensure
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, one recommendation letter #1 (non-relative), essay #1 (general essay), transcript, and resumé

Conditions

Partial/complete forgiveness of interest-free loan under the following conditions:

- Completion of a training program leading to eligibility to sit for dental licensure exams
- A successful passing grade on the NDBE and Vermont state licensing exams
- Completion of one year of employment as a dentist in Vermont (employment must average no less than 20 hours/week; recipients are expected to accept patients with coverage under Medicaid or other state-funded health care benefit programs)

Application timeline: Funding is limited and not guaranteed.

Awards are determined on a first-come, first-served basis, as long as the funding is available. Those who apply by the postmark deadline will be considered first.

Amount: Up to \$50,000 awarded annually in interest-free loans. Funding is limited and not guaranteed.

Selection: Essay, recommendation letter, financial need, academic achievement, and resumé

Estimated applicants: 18

Estimated awards: 1

VTDHYGIENE

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| Any student | Undergrad program | 1/2 time |
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Vermont Dental Hygienist Forgivable Loan Incentive Program (Interest-Free and Forgivable)
(sponsored by the State of Vermont and Vermont Department of Health)

This program was established by the Vermont Legislature in 2023 to encourage and support dental hygienist students to practice in Vermont for a minimum of one year for each year of forgivable loan awarded upon completion of their education.

Eligibility:

- Vermont residency **not** required
- Enroll in a dental hygienist program
- Enroll at least half time
- Maintain good standing at your school
- Agree to work full-time as a dental hygienist in Vermont for a minimum of one year following licensure, for each year of forgivable loan awarded
- Complete and sign a promissory note agreeing to repayment of the loan if the employment service commitment is not met
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), and official transcript

Conditions

Partial/complete forgiveness of interest-free loan under the following conditions:

- Completion of one year of full-time employment as a dental hygienist in Vermont

Application timeline: Funding is limited and not guaranteed. Awards are determined on a first-come, first-served basis, as long as the funding is available. We encourage you to apply by the deadline; however, applications will be accepted after the deadline provided funding is available.

Amount: Tuition charged for your program, up to the in-state tuition rate at Vermont State University (award may be used to cover room, board, books, and supplies expenses). Funding is limited and not guaranteed.

Estimated applicants: TBD

Estimated awards: 5

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| Graduate student | Graduate program | 1/2 time |
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Vermont Nurse Faculty Forgivable Loan Incentive Program (Interest-Free and Forgivable)
(sponsored by the State of Vermont and Vermont Department of Health)

This scholarship was established by the Vermont Legislature in 2022. The purpose of this scholarship is to expand opportunities for work-force education, training and development to expand the nursing faculty workforce across the State.

Eligibility:

- Vermont residency **not** required
- Enroll in a program that leads to a graduate degree in nursing, including APRN, MSN and DNP, that qualifies you to teach at a nursing school in Vermont
- Enroll at least half time
- Maintain good standing at your school
- Agree to work full time as a member of the nurse faculty at a nursing school in Vermont for a minimum of one year following graduation and if needed licensure, for each year of forgivable loan awarded
- Complete and sign a promissory note agreeing to repayment of the loan if the employment service commitment is not met
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Conditions

Partial/complete forgiveness of interest-free loan under the following conditions:

- Completion of one year of full-time employment as a nurse faculty member at a nursing school in Vermont.

Application timeline: Funding is limited and not guaranteed. Awards are determined on a first-come, first-served basis, as long as the funding is available. Those who apply by the postmark deadline will be considered first.

Amount: Up to full tuition, not to exceed UVM's in-state tuition rate. (If you are receiving other tuition-specific aid, award may be used to cover room, board, books, and supplies expenses. However, the total award amount cannot exceed the cost of your program's tuition or UVM's in-state tuition rate, whichever is less). Funding is limited and not guaranteed.

Estimated applicants: 113

Estimated awards: 4

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| Any student | Cert or Degree program | 1/2 time |
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Vermont Nursing Workforce Incentive Loan Program (Interest-Free and Forgivable)

(sponsored by the State of Vermont and Vermont Department of Health)

This program was established by the Vermont Legislature to ensure an adequate number of nurses for the future healthcare needs of Vermonters. The program is designed for students who are committed to working as nurses in Vermont upon graduation. Funding for this program is conditional upon annual legislative appropriation.

Eligibility:

- Vermont residency **not** required
- Enroll in one of the following nursing programs:
 - a practical nursing certificate program, after which the student is eligible to sit for the NCLEX-PN examination
 - an associate of science degree in nursing program, following which the student is eligible to sit for the NCLEX-RN examination
 - a bachelor of science degree in nursing
 - a graduate degree in nursing (such as APRN, MSN, DSN)
- Maintain good standing at your school
- Agree to work full time as a nurse in Vermont employed directly by a Vermont health care provider for a minimum of one year following licensure for each year of forgivable loan awarded. Employment as a traveling nurse does not meet this employment commitment
- Complete and sign a promissory note agreeing to repayment of the loan if the employment service commitment is not met
- Enroll at least half time
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans). *Preference given to students enrolled in an accredited school within Vermont.*

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Conditions

Partial/complete forgiveness of interest-free loan under the following conditions:

- Completion of a training program leading to the eligibility to sit for nursing licensure exams
- A successful passing grade on NCLEX exam and Vermont state licensing exams
- Completion of one year of full-time employment employed by a Vermont health care provider as a nurse in Vermont

Application timeline: Funding is limited and not guaranteed.

Awards are determined on a first-come, first-served basis, as long as the funding is available. Those who apply by the postmark deadline will be considered first.

Amount: Up to full tuition for your program, not to exceed UVM's in-state tuition rate. (If you are receiving other tuition-specific aid, award may be used to cover room, board, books, and supplies expenses. However, the total award amount cannot exceed the cost of your program's tuition or UVM's in-state tuition rate, whichever is less). Funding is limited and not guaranteed.

Estimated applicants: 718

Estimated awards: 328

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| Graduate students | Graduate program | 1/2 time |
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Vermont Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Forgivable Loan Incentive Program (Interest-Free and Forgivable)

(sponsored by the State of Vermont and Vermont Department of Health)

This program was established by the Vermont Legislature in 2023. The purpose of this scholarship is to encourage and support students in psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner programs.

Eligibility:

- Vermont residency **not** required
- Be a current nurse practitioner or registered nurse enrolled (or enrolling) in graduate level nursing courses that prepare you to take the American Nursing Credentialing Center competency exam for the PMHNP-BC certification.
- Enroll at least half time
- Maintain good standing at your school
- Agree to work as a psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner, in Vermont for a minimum of one year following PMHNP-BC certification and licensure, for each year of forgivable loan awarded
- Complete and sign a promissory note agreeing to repayment of the loan if the employment service commitment is not met
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application, FAFSA, essay #1 (general essay), and transcript

Conditions

Partial/complete forgiveness of interest-free loan under the following conditions:

- Completion of one year of employment as a psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner in Vermont.

Application timeline: Funding is limited and not guaranteed.

Awards are determined on a first-come, first-served basis, as long as the funding is available. Those who apply by the postmark deadline will be considered first.

Amount: Up to full tuition for your program, not to exceed UVM's in-state tuition rate. (If you are receiving other tuition-specific aid, award may be used to cover room, board, books, and supplies expenses. However, the total award amount cannot exceed the cost of your program's tuition or UVM's in-state tuition rate, whichever is less). Funding is limited and not guaranteed.

Estimated applicants: 51

Estimated awards: 15

VTTRADES-F

Any student

Cert or Non-Degree program

Any enrollment

The Vermont Trades Scholarship Program (Interest-Free and Forgivable Loan) – Licensing & Exam Fees

(sponsored by the State of Vermont)

This scholarship was established by the Vermont Legislature in 2022 for the purpose of expanding opportunities for workforce education, training, and development for Vermonters. Funding for this program is conditional upon annual legislative appropriation.

Eligibility:

- Vermont residency **not** required
- Enrolled in or completed an industry-recognized training and certification program that leads to initial employment or career advancement in a high-demand sector in Vermont, including, but not limited to: building, mechanical, industrial or medical trade; emergency services, including paramedics; energy, including clean energy, energy efficiency, or weatherization; transportation, including clean transportation; broadband; and robotics
- Applying for this program to pay for exam fee and/or initial licensing fee
- Demonstrate financial need
- If unemployed, register with the Vermont Department of Labor for the purpose of receiving relevant job referrals
- Agree to work full time in your profession in Vermont for a minimum of one year for each year of forgivable loan awarded following licensure or certification completion
- Complete and sign a promissory note agreeing to repayment of the loan if the employment service commitment is not met
- Preference given to students attending a Vermont-based training program

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application and federal income tax return (or Vermont Grant/Advancement Grant application)

Conditions

Partial/complete forgiveness of interest-free loan under the following conditions:

- Completion of one year of full-time employment in your industry-recognized, high-demand sector within Vermont

Application timeline: Funding is limited and not guaranteed. Awards are determined on a first-come, first-served basis, as long as the funding is available. Those who apply by the postmark deadline will be considered first. We encourage you to apply by the deadline; however, applications will be accepted after the deadline provided funding is available.

Amount: Up to initial licensing and/or exam fee (maximum award determined each year)

Selection: Financial need

Estimated applicants: 111

Estimated awards: TBD

VTTRADES-T

Any student

Cert or Non-Degree program

Any enrollment

The Vermont Trades Scholarship Program (Interest-Free and Forgivable Loan) – Tuition

(sponsored by the State of Vermont)

This scholarship was established by the Vermont Legislature in 2022 for the purpose of expanding opportunities for workforce education, training, and development for Vermonters. Funding for this program is conditional upon annual legislative appropriation.

Eligibility:

- Vermont residency **not** required
- Be enrolled in an industry-recognized training and certification program that leads to initial employment or career advancement in a high-demand sector in Vermont, including, but not limited to, building, mechanical, industrial or medical trade; emergency services, including paramedics; energy, including clean energy, energy efficiency, or weatherization; transportation, including clean transportation; broadband; and robotics
- Demonstrate financial need
- If unemployed, register with the Vermont Department of Labor for the purpose of receiving relevant job referrals
- Agree to work full time in your profession in Vermont for a minimum of one year for each year of forgivable loan awarded following licensure or certification completion
- Complete and sign a promissory note agreeing to repayment of the loan if the employment service commitment is not met
- Preference given to students attending a Vermont-based training program

Required documents: Unified Scholarship Application and federal income tax return (or Vermont Grant/Advancement Grant application)

Conditions

Partial/complete forgiveness of interest-free loan under the following conditions:

- Completion of one year of full-time employment in your industry-recognized, high-demand sector within Vermont.

Application timeline: Funding is limited and not guaranteed. Awards are determined on a first-come, first-served basis, as long as the funding is available. Those who apply by the postmark deadline will be considered first. We encourage you to apply by the deadline; however, applications will be accepted after the deadline provided funding is available.

Amount: Up to tuition (maximum award determined each year)

Selection: Financial need

Estimated applicants: 249

Estimated awards: TBD

Other Resources & Scholarships

The scholarships on the following pages are administered by agencies or organizations other than VSAC and *do not* use the Unified Scholarship Application (USA).

Please refer to the scholarship descriptions for application instructions and contact information.

Each of the scholarships on the following pages 52–68 has its own requirements and application process; please refer to page 7, “How to Read A Scholarship Description,” to understand the scholarship eligibility requirements in the black toolbars, and follow the instructions under the “Application” section of each scholarship listing.

Note: The date listed in the upper right-hand corner above the black toolbar is the RECEIPT DATE, not the postmark date.

For questions about these scholarships, please contact the individual included in the scholarship information.

To find even more scholarships, start close to home and branch out as time allows:

Your community—your local high school, businesses, clubs, or town officials

Your college or university—check with the financial aid office at the school you plan to attend

On the web

- vsac.org/scholarships
- bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college
- cappex.com/scholarships
- fastweb.com

Beware of Scams

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) warns students to be careful in using scholarship search companies. While some firms are legitimate, others aren't. A tip-off could be if the firm “guarantees” or “promises” scholarships or grants. No reputable firm can legitimately make such a claim.

Beware of these telltale statements:

“This scholarship is guaranteed or your money back.”

“You can't get this information anywhere else.”

“We'll need your credit card or bank account number to hold this scholarship.”

“We'll do all the work for you!”

“There's a fee to apply for this scholarship.”

“You've been selected by a national foundation to receive a scholarship.”

“You're a finalist ...” (in a contest you never entered)

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MARCH 31

High school students

Undergrad program

Full time

Arnold Magoon Conservation Scholarship

(sponsored by the Vermont Game Warden Association)

This scholarship was established in 1979 to honor Vermont State Game Warden Arnold Magoon who was killed in the line of duty while trying to apprehend a deer poacher.

Eligibility:

- Be a current Vermont high school senior
- Seeking an undergraduate degree in conservation, forestry, ecology, fish & wildlife management, biology, or a similar subject at a college or conservation school
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate school and community involvement

Required documents:

- Arnold Magoon Conservation Scholarship Application
- Letter of recommendation
- Personal letter—include any positions held in school or community, why you deserve this award, and your future educational objectives

Application:

Obtain application from:

vtfishandwildlife.com/sites/fishandwildlife/files/documents/About%20Us/Employment/Magoon-Scholarship-Application-VGWA.pdf

Questions: Email VGWA1904@gmail.com

Amount: One \$1,000 scholarship

Estimated applicants: 10

Estimated awards: 1

High school students

Undergrad program

Full time

Barre Fish and Game Club Scholarship

(sponsored by the Barre Fish & Game Club)

The Barre Fish and Game Club (BFGC) has established a scholarship fund to support local youth who intend to pursue a degree in the field of wildlife conservation. The BFGC scholarship fund encourages individuals to apply who have demonstrated a passion for and commitment to Vermont's traditions of hunting and fishing.

Eligibility:

- Be a graduating high school senior from Central Vermont
- Seek an undergraduate degree in wildlife conservation or a related major
- Enroll full time
- Attend an accredited school approved for Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)
- Demonstrate strong work ethic
- Demonstrate passionate interest in wildlife conservation

Required Documents:

- One page essay that:
 1. details education plans and personal commitment to supporting the hunting and fishing traditions of Vermont
 2. includes a header with applicant's name, address, email, and cell number
 3. is typed in 12-point font and kept to one page in length
- A copy of college/university acceptance letter
- One letter of recommendation

Application:

Email above required documents as one complete application packet to info@barrefishandgameclub.com with an email subject line of SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION.

Applications must be received by March 31, 2026. Selection will occur in April 2026 and award recipient(s) will be notified in May 2026. Funds will be disbursed directly to the awardee(s) upon receipt of an unofficial transcript demonstrating successful completion of their first college semester.

Website: barrefishandgameclub.com

Amount: Up to \$1,500 awarded annually

Estimated applicants: TBD

Estimated awards: 1–2

The Caledonia County Maple Award

(sponsored by the Caledonia County Maple Association, Inc.)

The intent of this award is to assist the recipient financially with tuition costs related to maple training opportunities, or to purchase equipment and supplies for the production of maple products, or to assist with textbooks or materials necessary to prepare for and use in their future involvement in maple production.

Eligibility:

- Graduating high school senior who resides in Caledonia or Essex counties who is actively involved in the management and production of maple products.
- Demonstrate a high level of interest and involvement in the maple industry
- Demonstrate evidence of working in a maple production facility within the past two years
- Complete 20 hours of community service activities
- Be an ambassador for the promotion of maple products

Selection process:

- Complete an application
- Provide evidence of maple work experiences (letter from maple employer or sugarhouse manager/owner, list of maple experiences)
- Provide evidence of 20 hours of community service
- Two letters of recommendation from a non-family member
- 250-word essay describing "What does maple mean to you and how would this award benefit you?" (Essay must be word-processed, 12 point font, double-spaced.)

Application:

Obtain application from:

- caledoniamaple.com OR
- your school guidance counselor OR
- Marc Luneau
1790 Mountain View Road
East Hardwick, VT 05836

Phone: 802-793-5183

E-mail: maple@vtlink.net

Amount: One \$2,000 award

Estimated applicants: 6

Estimated awards: 1

Courcelle Scholarship

(sponsored by PEGTV—Rutland)

This scholarship honors the memory of Joe Courcelle for his dedicated and pioneering work for Public Access Television in Rutland. He was an active member of the original board of directors, a dedicated certified independent producer, and an integral part of the establishment of Rutland PEGTV.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Rutland County
- Seek education in any area of television, film, radio, Internet, computer animation, graphic arts, sound engineering, photo and print journalism, marketing, communications, public relations, or digital arts
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents:

- Application
- Essay—fewer than 500 words
- Samples of work
- Signed transcript of high school grades
- Dated letter of recommendation from at least one school administrator, teacher, coach, or community member

Application:

Obtain application from:

- pegtv.com OR
- Courcelle Scholarship
c/o Education Coordinator
1 Scale Avenue
Suite 108, Building #24
Rutland, VT 05701

Phone: 802-747-0151

E-mail: cvogel@pegtv.com

Amount: Minimum \$1,000

Estimated applicants: 8

Estimated awards: 8

MARCH 19

FEB 1

Any student

Undergrad program

Any enrollment

Farm Credit East Scholarship

This scholarship was created for students pursuing a full-time, post high school education (including colleges and technical schools) who demonstrate—through their career plans, experience, program of study and extracurricular activities—significant progress toward, and a clear intention for, a career in agriculture, forestry, commercial fishing or a related field. An associate, bachelor's, or graduate degree, as well as technical school attendance, qualifies as post high school education.

Eligibility:

- Candidates for the scholarship must have a permanent home address within the eight-state territory served by Farm Credit East: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, and Vermont. Candidates must also plan to attend post high school education in the upcoming fall semester. Applicants are eligible to win this scholarship only once.

Application:

- Scholarship will open January 2026
- Obtain application from farmcrediteast.com/Scholarship/

Phone: 860-741-4376**Email:** stewardship@farmcrediteast.com**Amount:** \$2,000**Estimated applicants:** 115**Estimated awards:** 35–40

College students

Degree program

3/4 time

Federated Garden Clubs of Vermont Scholarship**(sponsored by the Federated Garden Clubs of Vermont)**

A one-year scholarship is available to undergraduate juniors and seniors, and graduate students pursuing a master's degree. Applicants must be US citizens and a resident of Vermont studying a horticulture-related program.

Eligibility:

- Must be a U.S. Citizen and a Vermont resident
- Enroll in an undergraduate program as a junior or senior or enroll in a master's degree program.
- Seek a degree in a horticulture related program, including agronomy, agriculture education, floriculture, horticulture, landscape design, botany, biology, forestry, plant pathology, city planning, habitat of forest/systems ecology, environmental conservation, land management, and wildlife science
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 3.25 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Attend a Vermont state college/university (Vermont State University or University of Vermont)

Required documents:

- List of extracurricular activities over the past three years
- Letter stating goals, background, financial need, and commitment to chosen field of study
- Transcript
- Two letters of recommendation

Application:

Obtain application from:

- vermontfgcv.com

Mail completed application to:

- Carol Kress
70 Monkton Road
Vergennes, VT 05491

Or email to:

- cjkress77@gmail.com

Questions: Email cjkress77@gmail.com or call 802-349-5450**Amount:** One \$2,000 scholarship**Estimated applicants:** 3**Estimated awards:** 1

MAY 1

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| High school students | Undergrad program | 3/4 time |
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The Frank Spencer Achievement Award

(sponsored by the Rotary Club of the Deerfield Valley)

This scholarship is awarded to two students annually who reside in one of our member towns (Dover, Halifax, Jamaica, Marlboro, Readsboro, Searsburg, Stratton, Wardsboro, Whitingham, Wilmington).

Eligibility:

- Graduating high school senior enrolling in an undergraduate degree program at least three-quarter time
- Reside in Dover, Halifax, Jamaica, Marlboro, Readsboro, Searsburg, Stratton, Wardsboro, Whitingham, or Wilmington
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents:

- Completed application
- Page 1 of FAFSA Submission Summary
- Extraordinary circumstances (optional)
- Transcript
- Personal statement/essay (see application for topic)
- Community service activities
- Extracurricular activities/hobbies
- Three references—personal, academic, other

Renewability: Will be renewed for one year, subject to meeting program requirements.

Application:

Obtain application from:

- rotarydfv.org/stories/scholarship OR
- email the club at rotarydfv@gmail.com

E-mail: rotarydfv@gmail.com

Amount: Up to two \$2,000 scholarships (disbursed \$1,000 annually)

Estimated applicants: 10

Estimated awards: 2

MARCH 15

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| Adult students | Any program | Any enrollment |
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General Federation of Women's Clubs of Vermont Scholarship (Barbara Jean Barker Memorial Scholarship)

Eligibility:

- A woman who is a resident of the State of Vermont and beyond the traditional high-school-to-college age who seeks education or training to acquire or upgrade skills in order to enter or advance in the workplace.

Required documents: General Federation of Women's Clubs of Vermont Scholarship Application

Application:

Obtain application from:

- Any local Federated Women's Club of Vermont OR
- Email remyslp@comcast.net

Amount: Up to three scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$1,500

Selection criteria:

- Have specific employment goals or a specific plan for further education
- Have an estimate of the services and cost required to meet your goals
- Be prepared for a personal interview with the scholarship committee

Estimated applicants: 40

Estimated awards: 3

Deadlines are critical.

Submit all documents required for each scholarship BEFORE the deadline for that scholarship. ONE late document will mean a late application that is not considered by a scholarship committee.

APRIL 15

| Any student | Any program | Full time |
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George Buzzell Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was created to support students residing in Orleans County and pursuing higher education in a natural resource management-related field.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Orleans County
- Seek a degree in a field related to natural resource management, including, but not limited to, agriculture, forestry, woodland and/or wildlife management
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.75 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

Required documents:

- Application with:
 1. full name, mailing address, phone number(s), email address, and date of birth
 2. the name and address of the school you plan to attend, your expected year in school, and your expected degree program/field of study
- Two recommendation letters from non-family members, including the nature and duration of acquaintance with the applicant
- 500-word essay addressing how you hope to contribute to society by pursuing a career in natural resource management
- Transcript (high school transcript for students who have never attended higher education; college transcript(s) for students who have completed one or more years of higher education)
- List of extracurricular activities, interests, and work experience

Application:

Obtain application from:

The George Buzzell Scholarship Committee
c/o Colleen Goodridge
183 East Bailey Hazen Road
PO Box 515
Albany, VT 05820

Email: wcedar@sover.net

Amount: Up to two \$500 scholarships

Selection: Recommendation letters, essay, academic achievement, school/community involvement/service, and education/work ethic

Estimated applicants: TBD

Estimated awards: 1

MAY 15

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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John Penfield Scholarship

(sponsored by the Brattleboro Sunrise Rotary Club)

John Penfield was a charter member and the founding president of the Brattleboro Sunrise Rotary Club. This scholarship was created to honor his spirit of giving in the community, his dedication to service, and his expertise in the automotive field.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Windham County
- Town of legal residence must be one of the following: Brattleboro, Dummerston, Guilford, Putney, Vernon, Newfane, Brookline, Jamaica, Townshend, or Windham
- Seek a degree in a technical or skilled labor field, especially automotive
- Demonstrate entrepreneurial skills, endeavors, and/or achievements
- Demonstrate school/community involvement or service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate financial need
- Face significant barriers or obstacles that limit your access to education after high school

Required documents:

- Penfield Scholarship Application (see website below)
- High school transcripts or recent vocational education transcripts
- Two letters of recommendation from non-relatives
- Short vocational goals statement in writing or via another medium (alternate arrangement made in advance)

Application:

Obtain application and more information from:

- **brattleborosunriserotary.org** OR
- Brattleboro Sunrise Rotary Scholarship Committee
PO Box 1995
Brattleboro, VT 05301-1995

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000

Selection: Community involvement, employment history, financial need, statement of vocational goals, and recommendation letters

Estimated applicants: TBD

Estimated awards: 1

NOVEMBER 1

| High school students | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Jon Borowicz Memorial Music Scholarship**Eligibility:**

- Not be a previous winner of the competition
- Audition in November

Required documents: Jon Borowicz Memorial Music Scholarship application (requires teacher's signature)

Application:

Obtain application and detailed requirements of the competition from:

Marta Cambra
Coordinator of Music Scholarship
Vermont Philharmonic
1388 Crosstown Road
Berlin, VT 05602

Email: cambra1388@yahoo.com; information also available on the website: **vermontphilharmonic.com/scholarship**

Amount: One \$500 scholarship to be used to further music education, and the opportunity to play as soloist with the Vermont Philharmonic

Selection: Audition of three prepared pieces of the student's choice

Estimated applicants: TBD

Estimated awards: 1

MAY 15

Any student

Any program

Any enrollment

King Street Center Leopold Scholarship

(sponsored by King Street Center)

King Street Center created this scholarship to honor the achievements of Roxane Leopold, who served as executive director from 1985 to 2007, and to improve the lives of King Street Center youth and families through education and training.

Eligibility:

- Have been enrolled in one of King Street Center's programs: Preschool, Afterschool Excellence, Teen Futures, Mentoring, or Kids on the Ball (before 2017)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents:

- Transcript
- Personal essay on the impact that King Street Center had on your life
- One recommendation letter

Application:

Send required documents to:

King Street Center
Leopold Scholarship
ATTN: Carrie Jacques
PO Box 1615
Burlington, VT 05402

Phone: 802-862-6736

Email: carrie@kingstreetcenter.org

Amount: Four to six scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$2,000

Selection: Transcript, personal essay, and two recommendation letters

Estimated applicants: 7

Estimated awards: 7

MARCH 1

College students

Degree program

1/4 time

Knights Templar Educational Foundation Scholastic Achievement Award

(sponsored by Vermont Division of Knights Templar)

The Grand Encampment launched the Knights Templar Educational Foundation in 1922 to provide educational advantages for American youth.

Eligibility:

- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)
- Be a U.S. citizen
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate education/work ethic

*Note: Graduating high school seniors are **not** eligible to apply.*

Required documents:

- Knights Templar Educational Foundation Scholastic Achievement Award application
- Transcript
- Minimum one-page and maximum two-page essay on one of the following topics: (1) Why did you choose your major, and what do you hope to gain from it? OR (2) Why did you choose your college/university, and what do you hope to gain by attending that particular school?

Application:

Obtain application from:

- vtyorkrite.org/gckit/ OR
- Grand Recorder's Office
49 East Road-Berlin
Barre, VT 05641-5390

Amount: One or two scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$1,000 to be used for travel, books and incidentals.

Selection: Academic achievement and education/work ethic

Estimated applicants: 64

Estimated awards: 1-2

JUNE 30

Graduate students

Graduate program

Full time

Martin Devlin Scholarship

Martin Devlin was a beloved member of the Physician Assistant Academy of Vermont (PAAV) for many years. Following his untimely death, a scholarship fund was created in his memory.

Eligibility:

- Be a Vermont resident who is or will be enrolled in a physician assistant program full time

Required documents:

- PAAV scholarship application
- Financial information
- Personal statement
- Student status verification

Application:

Obtain application from:

- paav.mypanetwork.com/page/648-the-paav-devlin-award OR
- PO Box 341
Quechee, VT 05059

Phone: 802-299-6250

Email: paav@paav.org

Amount: \$1,000 awarded annually

Selection: Financial need and personal statement

Estimated applicants: 4

Estimated awards: 1

MAY 15

JUNE 30

| Graduate students | Graduate program | Full time |
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Mildred Reardon Medical Student Scholarship

(sponsored by the Vermont Medical Society's Education and Research Foundation)

The VMSERF awards this scholarship on an annual basis to a third year University of Vermont Larner College of Medicine student committed to practicing medicine in Vermont. The scholarship is made to a student interested in any specialty with a preference for specialties in high need in Vermont. It is the purpose of the scholarship to recruit medical students to practice medicine in Vermont, especially its less served areas, to ensure that Vermonters in all parts of the state continue to have access to excellent medical care.

Eligibility:

- Currently enrolled as a third-year student at the University of Vermont Larner College of Medicine
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend the University of Vermont Larner College of Medicine

Required documents:

- Curriculum vitae/resumé
- A cover letter describing your commitment to practice medicine in Vermont and to care for Vermonters, your main specialty interests at this point in time, and any geographic preference in Vermont that you may have at this time
- A signed commitment form (available from cmagne@vtmd.org)
- A copy of your current student loan obligations/education debt
- Finalists will be contacted to schedule a 15–20 minute remote interview with the selection committee.

Application:

Email the above required documents to cmagne@vtmd.org. For the Class of 2027, advertisement of the scholarship will begin in late 2025. Please contact cmagne@vtmd.org or visit vtmd.org/mildred-reardon-student-scholarship for up-to-date application deadline information.

Questions:

- Visit vtmd.org/mildred-reardon-student-scholarship OR
- Contact:
Colleen Magne, Business Manager
Vermont Medical Society
802-223-7898 or cmagne@vtmd.org

Amount: One scholarship up to \$10,000

Estimated applicants: 5

Estimated awards: 1

| High school students | Any program | Full time |
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Pat Murray Memorial VT Chartered Property & Casualty Underwriters (CPCU) Society Scholarship

This scholarship was created to encourage Vermont students to pursue a career in insurance. All business careers will be considered; however, preference will be given to those with an interest in the insurance and risk management sector.

Eligibility:

- Seek education or training related to business (*preference given to applicants who seek education or training in insurance/risk management*)
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents:

- Letter of acceptance to an accredited college/university
- Essay (one to two pages, double-spaced)
- Transcript

Application:

Obtain application from and submit required documents to:
kcloutier@ciui.net

Amount: One \$2,500 scholarship

Selection: Academic achievement and essay

Estimated applicants: TBD

Estimated awards: 1

APRIL 1

| High school students | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Ranney Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by the Windham County Farm Bureau)

The Stickney, Thwing, Ranney, and Darrow families made these scholarships possible.

Eligibility:

- Be a resident of Windham County
- Pursue a degree in a field related to agriculture
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate academic achievement

Required documents:

- Windham County Scholarship Application
- Transcript
- Essay, including choice of study, goals, and financial need

Application:

Obtain application from:

- High school counseling office OR
- John Franklin at 802-451-9205

Amount: Maximum two scholarships up to \$2,000 each

Selection: Financial need, recommendation letters, and essay

Estimated applicants: TBD

Estimated awards: TBD

| MARCH 1 | | |
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| High school students | Any program | Any enrollment |

Rebekah Assembly of Vermont I.O.O.F. Scholarship

Eligibility:

- Be a graduating high school senior OR
- Be a graduating high school senior who attends school in an adjacent state, and whose parent(s) are Vermont residents OR
- Be a graduating high school senior who resides in an adjacent state but who normally attends a Vermont high school

Required documents:

- Rebekah Assembly of Vermont I.O.O.F. Scholarship application
- Transcript
- Two recommendation letters from school personnel
- List of extracurricular activities
- Statement of education plans
- Explanation of financial need

Application:

Obtain application by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

Mrs. Nora-Ellen Spaulding
786 VT Route 10
Chester, VT 05143

Amount: Two \$1,500 scholarships

Selection: Financial need, academic achievement, recommendation letters, and extracurricular activities

Estimated applicants: 40 **Estimated awards:** 2

| MARCH 1 | | |
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| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |

Rebekah Assembly of Vermont Nursing Scholarship

Eligibility:

- Be accepted at or enrolled in an accredited school of nursing
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents:

- Rebekah Assembly of Vermont Nursing Scholarship application
- Transcript
- Two recommendation letters (one from an educator and one from an employer)
- Statement of education plans
- Explanation of financial need

Application:

Obtain application by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

Mrs. Nora-Ellen Spaulding
786 VT Route 10
Chester, VT 05143

Amount: One \$1,500 scholarship

Selection: Financial need, previous academic/work experience, and recommendation letters

Estimated applicants: 6 **Estimated awards:** 1

| FEBRUARY 1 | | |
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| High school students | Undergrad program | Any enrollment |

Roger J. Sheridan Memorial Scholarship

(sponsored by Vermont Elks Association, Inc.)

This scholarship was established to honor the memory of Roger J. Sheridan, former coach at Saint Michael's High School in Montpelier, basketball and football official, and member and secretary of the International Association of Approved Basketball Officials.

Eligibility:

- Seeking a degree in physical education or a related field (athletic trainer, physical therapy, etc.)
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents:

- Roger J. Sheridan Memorial Scholarship application
- Signed transcript of high school grades
- Copy of college entrance test scores (SAT or ACT), if applicable
- Two current dated and signed one-page recommendation letters (one from a high school official and one from a coach or athletic director)
- Essay from applicant stating their plans after graduation from college/university

Application:

Obtain application from:

- vtelks.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/Roger-Sheridan-Application_Fillable-Rev-02.pdf

Amount: Two \$1,000 scholarships—one to a male applicant and one to a female applicant

Selection: Commitment to chosen career/field of study, academic achievement, school/community involvement and/or service, and financial need

Estimated applicants: 5 **Estimated awards:** 1 (male), 1 (female)

Keep copies for your records.

Submit original forms and keep a copy of every document for your own records.

MAY 15

College students

Undergrad program

3/4 time

The Rotary Club of the Deerfield Valley Scholarship

(sponsored by the Rotary Club of the Deerfield Valley)

This scholarship is awarded to two students who are enrolling in the third year of their postsecondary education and who reside in one of our member towns (Dover, Halifax, Jamaica, Marlboro, Readsboro, Searsburg, Stratton, Wardsboro, Whitingham, Wilmington).

Eligibility:

- Will be enrolled in the third year of an undergraduate degree program at least three-quarter time
- Reside in Dover, Halifax, Jamaica, Marlboro, Readsboro, Searsburg, Stratton, Wardsboro, Whitingham, or Wilmington
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate academic achievement (minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale)
- Demonstrate financial need
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents:

- Completed application
- Page 1 of FAFSA Submission Summary
- Extraordinary circumstances (optional)
- Transcript
- Personal statement/essay (see application for topic)
- Community service activities
- Extracurricular activities/hobbies
- Three references—personal, academic, other

Renewability: Will be renewed for one year, subject to meeting program requirements.

Application:

Obtain application from:

- rotarydfv.org/stories/scholarship OR
- email the club at rotarydfv@gmail.com

Email: rotarydfv@gmail.com

Amount: Up to two \$2,000 scholarships (disbursed \$1,000 annually)

Estimated applicants: TBD

Estimated awards: 2

NEW!

BEFORE START OF CLASSES

Any student

Cert or Degree program

Any enrollment

The Stockbridge Scholarship

(sponsored by the Stockbridge Trustees of Public Funds)

This scholarship is to encourage high school graduates from Stockbridge, Vermont, to reach their fullest potential through further education and training.

Eligibility:

- Be a high school graduate, GED recipient, or VAST student from Stockbridge, Vermont
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents:

- Full name, home address, mailing address (if different), email address, and phone number
- Documentation establishing receipt of a high school diploma, GED, or VAST acceptance while living in Stockbridge required upon initial scholarship submission
- Copy of letter of acceptance from an accredited educational institution or program
- Copy of the approved coursework and credit hours prior to the start of each semester for Trustee planning purposes

Renewability: Renewable for up to a maximum of \$9,600, contingent on funding availability

Application:

While there is no application, applicants must submit the above required documents before the beginning of class(es) for which scholarship aid is requested to:

- Stockbridge Trustees of Public Funds
Re: Stockbridge Scholarship
PO Box 256
Gaysville, VT 05746

Questions: Contact Julie Groppe via email at jwgroppe@gmail.com or call 802-734-3111

Amount: Award per credit: \$100 with proof of passing grade; maximum award: \$9,600 (96 credits)

Estimated applicants: 6

Estimated awards: 6

Sunrise Rotary Scholarship

(sponsored by the Brattleboro Sunrise Rotary Club)

The Brattleboro Sunrise Rotary Club created this scholarship to help Windham County residents who plan to pursue postsecondary education and are committed to the ideal of service.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Windham County
- Town of legal residence must be one of the following: Brattleboro, Dummerston, Guilford, Putney, Vernon, Newfane, Brookline, Jamaica, Townshend, Windham
- Seek a degree in a technical or skilled labor field, especially automotive
- Demonstrate entrepreneurial skills, endeavors, and/or achievements
- Demonstrate school/community involvement or service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate financial need
- Face significant barriers or obstacles that limit your access to education after high school

Required documents:

- Sunrise Rotary Scholarship Application (see website)
- Statement of future goals (one paragraph)
- Statement of financial need (one paragraph)
- Four-Way Test essay or via another medium (alternate arrangement made in advance); see application for details

Application:

Obtain application and more information from:

- brattleborosunriserotary.org OR
- Brattleboro Sunrise Rotary Scholarship Committee
PO Box 1995
Brattleboro, VT 05301-1995

Amount: Scholarships up to \$2,000

Selection: Community involvement, employment history, financial need, and essay

Estimated applicants: 20

Estimated awards: 5

TEACH Early Childhood® Vermont Scholarship Program

A program of the Vermont Association for the Education of Young Children (VTAEYC)

TEACH Early Childhood® Vermont gives early childhood educators access to debt-free education and increases their compensation—bolstering early childhood professionals, the children and families they care for, and the early education field in Vermont as a whole. Scholarships are accessible to early childhood educators of both center-based and family childcare homes.

Eligibility:

- Seek a certificate or undergraduate degree in early childhood education
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Become a member (or a legal dependent of a member) of Vermont Association for the Education of Young Children
- Attend an accredited school **located in Vermont (or Springfield College, MA)** and eligible to apply for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)
- Not in default on any student loans

Required documents:

- Confirmation of completed FAFSA
- Confirmation of completed Vermont Grant through VSAC
- Income verification for work requirement (30 hours per week)
- Current license of early childhood education employer
- Previous transcripts (if applicable)

Renewability: Recipient will have an opportunity to renew the scholarship for three additional years

Application:

To access the application and more information about TEACH Early Childhood® Vermont Scholarship Models:

- Visit vtaeyc.org/teach/, OR
- Contact:
teachearlychildhoodvermont@vtaeyc.org or call 802-234-1090 ext. 1

Amount: Up to \$10,000 awarded annually

Estimated applicants: 125

Estimated awards: 125

APRIL 1

| High school students | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Trust for Wildlife Biodiversity Scholarship

(sponsored by Trust for Wildlife, Inc.)

Trust for Wildlife, Inc., a 501c3 nonprofit environmental organization based in Shaftsbury, Vermont, established this scholarship to support aspiring naturalists in the pursuit of higher education and a career focused on protecting the environment. Trust for Wildlife's mission is to reverse the losses of forest, field, and wetland habitats that birds and other wildlife depend on in order to sustain the health of our planet.

Eligibility:

- Be a Vermont resident
- Be a graduating high school or home school senior.
- Seek an undergraduate associate's or bachelor's degree in the field of Applied Science, which could include biology, marine biology, botany, environmental studies, forestry, wildlife management, or related fields.
- Demonstrate a good education and work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service specifically related to preserving and/or conserving the environment
- Enroll full-time in an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents:

- Completed application
- High school or home school transcript
- Essay detailing current and past community service, involvement in conservation-related projects, and the commitment to an environmental career
- Two letters of recommendation
- Letter of college acceptance

Application:

To obtain an application:

- visit trustforwildlife.org homepage, scroll down, and click on "Apply for our Scholarship"
- or via email: tfwvermont@gmail.com

Submission of documents:

Submit above required documents via email to:

- tfwvermont@gmail.com

or via mail to:

- Trust for Wildlife, Inc.
408 Ehrich Road
Shaftsbury, VT 05262

Questions: Email tfwvermont@gmail.com

Amount: One to three scholarships at \$2,000 each (\$1,000 each semester)

Estimated applicants: TBD

Estimated awards: TBD

APRIL 10

| High school students | Undergrad program | Full time |
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Two Rivers-Ottawquechee Regional Commission Scholarship Program

(sponsored by Two Rivers-Ottawquechee Regional Commission)

This scholarship was established to encourage and recognize high school students pursuing career and life choices consistent with the vision and values of vibrant, diverse, and sustainable communities, as articulated in our regularly updated TRORC Regional Plan.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Barnard, Bethel, Bradford, Braintree, Bridgewater, Brookfield, Chelsea, Corinth, Fairlee, Granville, Hancock, Hartford, Hartland, Newbury, Norwich, Pittsfield, Plymouth, Pomfret, Randolph, Rochester, Royalton, Sharon, Stockbridge, Strafford, Thetford, Topsham, Tunbridge, Vershire, West Fairlee, Woodstock
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)
- Seek a degree in agriculture, the arts and creative economy, education, energy, engineering, environmental studies, forestry, geography, mathematics, nursing, planning, political science, psychology, sociology, or trades
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Demonstrate community service-oriented activities
- Demonstrate engagement with civic institutions
- Demonstrate activities that advance diversity, equity, and inclusion
- Demonstrate leadership skills
- Demonstrate innovative thinking and problem solving
- Demonstrate entrepreneurship and resourcefulness
- Demonstrate financial need

Required documents:

- Essay (no more than 1,000 words) describing your career and life goals and how your postsecondary education, employment, and extracurricular activities support achievement of those goals. Include full name, mailing address and email address.
- High school transcript
- Letter of acceptance from an accredited post-secondary education or career program
- Three letters of recommendation
- Documentation of any financial assistance received

Submission of documents:

Two Rivers-Ottawquechee Regional Commission
128 King Farm Road
Woodstock, VT 05091

OR via email to Kyra Wood at kwood@trorc.org

Questions: Contact Kyra Wood at kwood@trorc.org or at 802-457-3188 ext. 3008

Amount: Up to ten \$2,000 scholarships (Payment to students will be made upon successful completion of their first semester of study, provided the student attains a B average/3.0 GPA or better in that semester.)

Selection: Academic achievement, essay, and recommendation letters

Estimated applicants: 20

Estimated awards: 10

MARCH 31

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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United Motorcyclists of Vermont Scholarship

(sponsored by the United Motorcyclists of Vermont)

This scholarship is available to Vermont residents, regardless of age, who are seeking to further their education by attending an accredited school, tech school, college university, etc.

Eligibility:

- Graduating high school senior or anyone furthering their education
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service

Required documents:

- Completed application
- Parent/guardian/annual income and amount of personal contribution to education
- Essay as instructed on application

Application:

Obtain application from:

- umv.news@gmail.com or
unitedmotorcyclists.org/wp/about/scholarships/
- Lorelei Wheeler, Secretary of UMV
998 South Main Street #142
Stowe, VT 05672

Questions: Email umv.news@gmail.com

Amount: Up to \$500 awarded per applicant, granted only once per applicant

Estimated applicants: 5

Estimated awards: 5

DEADLINES VARY BY ACADEMY

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMIES

United States Air Force Academy (USAFA)

United States Naval Academy (USNA)

United States Military Academy at West Point (USMA)

United States Merchant Marine Academy (USMMA)

Eligibility:

- Check with the applicable academy

Required documents: Varies by academy

Application:

- Initiate a nomination by contacting a member of Vermont's congressional delegation.
(The USAFA, USNA, and USMA also accept nominations from the Vice President or President of the United States.)
- AND initiate a file with the academy or academies of your choice in the spring of high school junior year (or as soon thereafter as possible):

United States Air Force Academy (USAFA)
USAFA, CO 80840-5025
academyadmissions.com

United States Naval Academy (USNA)
117 Decatur Road
Annapolis, MD 21402-5017

United States Military Academy at West Point (USMA)
West Point, NY 10996-1797

United States Merchant Marine Academy (USMMA)
Steamboat Road
Kings Point, NY 11024-1699
516-773-5391

Amount: Appointments to the academies cover tuition, room, and board; some academies provide a monthly salary to the cadets or midshipmen

Selection: Academic achievement, SAT or ACT scores, extracurricular activities, recommendation letters, physical and medical examinations, and interview

Estimated applicants: N/A

Estimated awards: N/A

Be sure to submit COMPLETE documents.

Check every document carefully to be sure it's completed in full, signed, and dated (if applicable). One incomplete document will mean an incomplete application that is not considered by a scholarship committee.

OCTOBER 20, 2025

| High school | Any program | Any enrollment |
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U.S. Senate Youth Program “Hearst” Scholarship

The United States Senate Youth Program presents an outstanding opportunity for our best and brightest high school juniors and seniors. Leadership, academic achievement, clear speech and logical thought process, and community involvement are the desired qualities set forth by the program. The United States Senate Youth Program, established in 1962 by U.S. Senate Resolution, is a unique educational experience for outstanding high school students interested in pursuing careers in public service.

Eligibility:

- Be a high school junior or senior
- Plan to pursue a career in public service
- Must hold a leadership position for the current 2025–2026 academic year in a student government, civic or educational organization.
- Must attend the United States Senate Youth Program Washington Week, held in Washington, D.C. on March 7–14, 2026

Required documents:

- Obtain application and additional information from: vpaonline.org/student-activities/scholarships/

For more information: Visit ussenateyouth.org

Amount: Up to \$10,000

Estimated applicants: TBD

Estimated awards: TBD

MARCH 2

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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The VEOP Educational Opportunity Center (EOC) Scholarship

(sponsored by Vermont Educational Opportunity Programs)

Applicants for this scholarship must be participants in Vermont Educational Opportunity Center (EOC), a VEOP member program. VEOP programs work to ensure equal access to and success in higher education for Vermont students. Students are often the first generation in their family to attend college, are from low- to moderate-income families, are underrepresented, or are individuals with disabilities.

Eligibility:

- Be a participant in a Vermont Educational Opportunity Program (VEOP)
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education

Required documents:

- Application; go to veop.org/scholarship-program for application and details.
- Essay that describes the positive impact that your participation in a TRIO/GEAR UP program has had on your education journey. In your response, please share any challenge(s)—either personal, academic, financial, or otherwise—that your program helped you to navigate and/or overcome.

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000

Estimated applicants: 10

Estimated awards: 1

MARCH 2

| Graduate students | Graduate program | Any enrollment |
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The VEOP Graduate School Scholarship

(sponsored by Vermont Educational Opportunity Programs)

Applicants for this scholarship must be participants in a VEOP-member McNair Scholars Program OR be former participants in another current VEOP member program. Applicants must be attending graduate school in the award year. VEOP programs work to ensure equal access to and success in higher education for Vermont students. Students are often the first generation in their family to attend college, are from low to moderate income families, are underrepresented, or are individuals with disabilities.

Eligibility:

- Be a graduate student seeking a graduate or professional degree
- Be a current participant in a VEOP member McNair Scholars Program OR a former participant in another current VEOP member program
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents:

- Application; go to veop.org/scholarship-program for application and details.
- Essay that describes the positive impact that your participation in a TRIO/GEAR UP program has had on your education journey. In your response, please share any challenge(s)—either personal, academic, financial, or otherwise—that your program helped you to navigate and/or overcome.

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000

Estimated applicants: 3

Estimated awards: 1

MARCH 2

| High school students | Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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The VEOP GEAR UP Scholarship

(sponsored by Vermont Educational Opportunity Programs)

Applicants for this scholarship must be participants in Vermont GEAR UP, a VEOP member program. VEOP programs work to ensure equal access to and success in higher education for Vermont students. Students are often the first generation in their family to attend college, are from low to moderate income families, are underrepresented, or are individuals with disabilities.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior
- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Be a current participant in Vermont GEAR UP
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents:

- Application; go to veop.org/scholarship-program for application and details.
- Essay that describes the positive impact that your participation in a TRIO/GEAR UP program has had on your education journey. In your response, please share any challenge(s)—either personal, academic, financial, or otherwise—that your program helped you to navigate and/or overcome.

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000

Estimated applicants: 3

Estimated awards: 1

MARCH 2

| College students | Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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The VEOP Student Support Services Scholarship

(sponsored by Vermont Educational Opportunity Programs)

Applicants for this scholarship must be participants in a VEOP-member Student Support Services program. VEOP programs work to ensure equal access to and success in higher education for Vermont students. Students are often the first generation in their family to attend college, are from low to moderate income families, are underrepresented, or are individuals with disabilities.

Eligibility:

- Be a current college student seeking an undergraduate degree
- Be a current participant in a VEOP Student Support Services program
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents:

- Application; go to veop.org/scholarship-program for application and details.
- Essay that describes the positive impact that your participation in a TRIO/GEAR UP program has had on your education journey. In your response, please share any challenge(s)—either personal, academic, financial, or otherwise—that your program helped you to navigate and/or overcome.

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000

Estimated applicants: TBD

Estimated awards: 1

MARCH 2

| High school students | Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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The VEOP Talent Search Scholarship

(sponsored by Vermont Educational Opportunity Programs)

Applicants for this scholarship must be participants in Vermont Talent Search, a VEOP member program. VEOP programs work to ensure equal access to and success in higher education for Vermont students. Students are often the first generation in their family to attend college, are from low to moderate income families, are underrepresented, or are individuals with disabilities.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior
- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Be a current participant in Vermont Talent Search
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents:

- Application; go to veop.org/scholarship-program for application and details.
- Essay that describes the positive impact that your participation in a TRIO/GEAR UP program has had on your education journey. In your response, please share any challenge(s)—either personal, academic, financial, or otherwise—that your program helped you to navigate and/or overcome.

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000

Estimated applicants: 17

Estimated awards: 1

MARCH 2

| High school students | Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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The VEOP Upward Bound Scholarship

(sponsored by Vermont Educational Opportunity Programs)

Applicants for this scholarship must be participants in a VEOP-member Upward Bound program. VEOP programs work to ensure equal access to and success in higher education for Vermont students. Students are often the first generation in their family to attend college, are from low to moderate income families, are underrepresented, or are individuals with disabilities.

Eligibility:

- Be a current high school senior
- Seek an undergraduate degree
- Be a current participant in a VEOP-member Upward Bound program
- Face significant barriers that limit access to a postsecondary education
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents:

- Application; go to veop.org/scholarship-program for application and details.
- Essay that describes the positive impact that your participation in a TRIO/GEAR UP program has had on your education journey. In your response, please share any challenge(s)—either personal, academic, financial, or otherwise—that your program helped you to navigate and/or overcome.

Amount: One scholarship up to \$1,000

Estimated applicants: TBD

Estimated awards: 1

NONE

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Vermont Air National Guard Montgomery G.I. Bill Chapter 1606

(administered and paid by the Veterans Administration)

Eligibility:

- Check with your Education Officer

Required documents: N/A

Renewability: May be renewable for up to four years.

Application:

Obtain additional information and details from:

- Vermont Air National Guard recruiter at 800-242-4055
- Vermont Air National Guard retention office manager at 802-660-5211

Amount: Contact your Vermont National Guard recruiter for information regarding amount of payments.

Selection: Six-year service commitment and completion of basic and technical training

Estimated applicants: 470

Estimated awards: 470

NONE

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Vermont Air National Guard Montgomery G.I. Bill Kicker Program

(administered and paid by the Veterans Administration)

Eligibility:

- Check with your Education Officer

Required documents: N/A

Renewability: May be renewable for up to four years.

Application:

Obtain additional information and details from:

- Vermont Air National Guard recruiter at 802-652-8058
- Vermont Air National Guard retention office manager at 802-660-5211

Amount: Visit va.gov/education/benefit-rates/montgomery-selected-reserve-rates/ for information about rates and how they are determined.

Selection: Six-year service commitment and completion of basic and technical training

Estimated applicants: 300

Estimated awards: 300

NONE

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Vermont Army National Guard Montgomery G.I. Bill Chapter 1606 Select Reserve

(administered and paid by the Veterans Administration)

Eligibility:

- Member of the National Guard or Reserves
- Have a 6-year contract, high school diploma, and complete AIDT/BOLC

Required documents: Contact VTARNG Education Office

Renewability: May be used for 36 months of benefits (equal to a 4-year degree)

Application:

Obtain additional information and details from:

- Vermont Army National Guard Education Office at 802-338-3378
- Application submitted through va.gov

Amount: Contact the VTARNG Education Office for current payment.

Selection: Six-year service commitment and completion of initial active duty training

Estimated applicants: 400

Estimated awards: 400

NONE

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Vermont Army National Guard Montgomery G.I. Bill Kicker Program

(administered and paid by the Veterans Administration)

Eligibility:

- Have a kicker contract from enlistment/re-enlistment
- Have a 6-year contract, high school diploma, and complete AIDT/BOLC

Required documents: Kicker contract from enlistment into National Guard

Renewability: May be used for 36 months of benefits (equal to a 4-year degree)

Application:

Obtain additional information and details from:

- Vermont Army National Guard Education Office at 802-338-3378
- Application submitted through va.gov

Amount: Up to \$350—verify amount with Education Office.

Selection: Must have contract from enlistment/re-enlistment and used with Montgomery GI Bills Chapter 30 AD or 1606 SR

Estimated applicants: 300

Estimated awards: 300

NONE

| Any student | Any program | Any enrollment |
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Vermont Army National Guard Minute Man Scholarship

(administered and paid by the Veterans Administration)

Eligibility:

- Member of the National Guard
- Contact a recruiter or Officer Strength Maintenance Office for more information

Required documents: Contact VTARNG OSM Office

Renewability: No renewal required

Application:

Obtain additional information and details from: Vermont Army National Guard Officer Strength Maintenance Office at 802-338-3172

Amount: Up to four-year college degree

Selection: Recipients selected by The Adjutant General of Vermont

Estimated applicants: 4

Estimated awards: 4

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| NEW! | | | APRIL 24 |
| HS or College students | Undergrad program | Full time | |

**Vermont Federal Credit Union
Student Scholarship Program**
(sponsored by the Vermont Federal Credit Union)

Vermont Federal Credit Union has been awarding scholarships to deserving students for nearly 20 years. Recipients are selected by a volunteer Scholarship Committee and are chosen based on academic achievement, leadership activities, service to the community, and responses to an essay question.

Eligibility:

- Applicant must be a member of Vermont Federal Credit Union. If not already a member, join by April 24, 2026 to be eligible.
- Be among the first generation in your family to attend a college (neither parent received a bachelor's degree)
- Face significant barriers that limit access to postsecondary education
- Enroll full time
- Demonstrate school/community involvement/service
- Demonstrate education/work ethic
- Demonstrate academic achievement
- Attend an accredited undergraduate program at a college, trade school, or university

Required documents:

- Completed Vermont Federal Credit Union Scholarship Application; applications must be submitted online
- Copy of academic transcript(s) for all classes taken in grades 9–12 and/or GED. Those who have already completed college, trade school, or university classes should also include those transcripts. Records should be completed through the last grading period.
- Copy of the letter of acceptance from the college, trade school, or university. If college, trade school, or university is not determined at the time the application is due, the applicant must send all potential college, trade school, or university acceptance letters and notify Scholarship Coordinator as soon as the school is selected.

Application:

To access the application and get more information, visit:
vermontfederal.org/scholarships

Amount: Four scholarships of \$2,000 each

Estimated applicants: 35 **Estimated awards:** 4

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| APRIL (contact VRGA for specific date) | | |
| High school or adult students | Undergrad program | Any enrollment |

**Vermont Retail and Grocers Association (VRGA)
Scholarship**

This scholarship was established to provide financial assistance to eligible students entering their first year at an accredited two- or four-year school.

Eligibility:

- Be a Vermont resident or be affiliated with a VRGA member in Vermont
- Be a graduating high school senior planning to attend an accredited two- or four-year school in the United States OR plan to attend, for the first time, an accredited two- or four-year postsecondary school in the United States in 2024 and have received a high school diploma
- File a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) no later than four weeks prior to the scholarship deadline and meet one or more of the following conditions:
 - a) Be the dependent of an employee or owner of a VRGA member company. The company or employee must be located in Vermont or have responsibility in Vermont; **or**
 - b) Be an employee of a VRGA retail or associate member company in Vermont. The employee must be located in Vermont or have responsibility in Vermont. The employee must be employed a minimum of 15 hours per week or 750 hours per year, and have been employed at a VRGA retail member store or company for a minimum of one year at the time the student applies for this scholarship.

Required documents:

- Vermont Retail and Grocers Association Scholarship application
- Two recommendation letters (one from a teacher or school official and one from a current or previous employer)
- High school transcript
- Copy of FAFSA Submission Summary
- Copy of financial aid offer from college/university

Application:

Obtain application from:

- **vtrga.org/vrga-scholarship-program** OR
- Vermont Retail and Grocers Association (VRGA)
963 Paine Turnpike North
Berlin, VT 05602

Phone: 802-505-0697

Amount: Scholarships of \$1,500 will be awarded based on merit and financial need

Selection: Academic achievement, extracurricular activities, recommendation letters, and financial need (if applicable)

Estimated applicants: 30 **Estimated awards:** 10

MAY 4

| High school students | Any program | Any enrollment |
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VPA Membership Scholarship

(sponsored by the Vermont Principals' Association)

Each school year, the Vermont Principals' Association (VPA) will award scholarships to high school seniors who are the children of VPA members.

Eligibility:

- Be a child of a VPA member
- Graduating high school senior

Application:

Obtain application from:

vpaonline.org/student-activities/scholarships/

Amount: Up to \$500

Estimated applicants: TBD

Estimated awards: TBD

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| High school or college students | Undergrad program | Any enrollment |
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Windham Regional Woodlands Association Scholarship

This scholarship was created to encourage students to pursue education related to sustainable forestry management practices, and evolving techniques and technologies.

Eligibility:

- Reside in Windham County
- Be a high school senior or have a high school diploma OR be a college student
- Plan to enroll or be enrolled in a two- or four-year program seeking a degree in forestry or an allied field (e.g., natural resource management, wildlife management) *(For the purpose of this scholarship, more general programs such as agriculture, botany, turf management, or environmental science are not considered allied fields unless the applicant can clearly demonstrate how the chosen field is focused on forest management)*

Required documents:

- Windham Regional Woodlands Association Scholarship Application
- Official transcript: High school transcript(s) for students who have never attended college; college transcript(s) for students who have attended college
- Essay
- List of extracurricular/volunteer activities

Application:

Request application in writing from:

Windham Regional Woodlands Association, Inc.
P.O. Box 6392
Brattleboro, VT 05302

Or visit windhamwoodlands.org

Amount: One scholarship up to \$3,000

Selection: The Scholarship Committee will evaluate candidates based on the completeness, clarity, quality, and content of the applications. In some circumstances (e.g., several comparable applicants), the committee may request an in-person interview.

Estimated applicants: TBD

Estimated awards: 1

JULY 30

| Any student | Degree program | Any enrollment |
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Windsor County Farm Bureau Scholarship

Eligibility:

- Be a resident of Windsor County
- Be a member of the Windsor County Farm Bureau (applicant or applicant's family)
- Seek a degree in a field related to agriculture
- Attend a school located in Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, or Vermont
- Attend an accredited school approved for federal Title IV funding (Pell grants, federal Direct loans)

Required documents:

- Windsor County Farm Bureau Scholarship application
- Transcript from high school or college
- Three recommendation letters attesting to your interest in agriculture or a related field
- Maximum 500-word essay describing your goals related to agriculture

Application:

Obtain application materials from:

- Windsor County high school guidance offices OR
- Stuart Farnham
P.O. Box 533
Hartland, VT 05048
sfarnham@gmail.com

Amount: One or more scholarships totaling \$1,000

Selection: Academic achievement, community involvement, recommendation letters, and essay

Estimated applicants: 4

Estimated awards: 1–2

The Vermont Student Assistance Corporation (VSAC) publishes this booklet to provide you with information about specific scholarships and forgivable loans available to Vermont residents. Most of the scholarships listed are sponsored by private groups, including Vermont businesses, charitable or service organizations, veterans groups, and others.

The majority of financial aid available to Vermont students is provided by your college, university, or training school, the federal government, and VSAC. Scholarships and forgivable loans are considered supplements to other aid, such as grants and loans.

Scholarships, like grants, are forms of “gift aid,” meaning there is no obligation (under most circumstances) to repay the funds. While grants are generally awarded according to financial need, scholarships are typically based on factors unique to each scholarship. These may include residency, degree program or major, academic achievement, extracurricular activities, and—in some cases—financial need.

Forgivable loans require a signed promissory note to accept the funding and the conditions of the program. They do not require payment while the student is enrolled in the applicable program and are typically interest free (the promissory note will provide the interest rate, if applicable). Forgivable loans are “forgiven,” meaning they do not have to be paid back, when the conditions and work obligations outlined in the promissory note are met. If the conditions and work obligations are not met, the loan must be repaid according to the terms of the promissory note.

Remember that when you apply for scholarships and forgivable loans, you'll be competing against other students who apply. Keep in mind, though, that if a scholarship is based on academic achievement, you may not have to be the best student in your class; you simply need to be the best student applying for that scholarship. Similarly, if a scholarship is based on financial need, your need will be compared only to the need of other applicants within that scholarship pool.

Questions about scholarships or forgivable loans?

- Contact VSAC.
- Contact your college or university.
- Contact your local high school, businesses, clubs, or town officials.
- Search the Web.

Contact us

ONLINE: vsac.org/scholarships
CALL: **888-253-4819**
EMAIL: scholarships@vsac.org
VISIT US: **VSAC Resource Center**
10 East Allen Street
Winooski, Vermont
ResourceCenter@vsac.org
800-642-3177



Vermont Student Assistance Corporation 10 East Allen Street PO Box 2000 Winooski, VT 05404

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Fall 2025

