



2026 Scholarship Application

Carolyn Langan Scholarship

William Ahrends Scholarship

Barbara Behm Scholarship

Troy Kost Scholarship

Delbert Miller Scholarship

Robert Turner Scholarship

George H Miller Scholarship

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

A total of \$403,500 has been awarded to 236 students.

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

Please mail or email your completed application to debbie@toi.org, postmarked no later than **March 2, 2026** to:

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

Providing scholarships for Illinois students since 1989



Application

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____ Phone _____ Email _____

Township in which you reside _____

County in which you reside _____

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

High School:

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Expected Graduation Date _____ Cumulative GPA* _____

College/University attending Fall 2026: (must be in Illinois)

School Name _____ City in Illinois _____

Expected Major:

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

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

TOI will award seven \$2,000 scholarships in 2026

Essay of not less than 500 words on "*The Role of Township Government in Today's Society and in the Future*" is attached, with signature, title, township/county of township official who was interviewed. This **MUST** be **an elected township official who serves on a township board in Illinois**. Please contact our office if you have any questions.

Name	Title	Township	County
Interviewee's Signature			

Extracurricular Activities (also include work experience)

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

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

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

Must be a graduating Illinois high school senior.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Must submit an official high school transcript.

Must submit a cover letter and completed application form.

This application may be submitted by email or mailed through the USPS. All submissions must be dated and post marked no later than 12:00 AM on March 2, 2026. **All emailed submissions must have attachments separated and in a .pdf format.**

All applicants should expect to receive written notification of a decision after April 1, 2026.

All scholarship awards are disbursed directly to the award recipient's school and must be used for the 2026-2025 academic year, awards may not be deferred.