



# 2024 Scholarship Application



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

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

Any questions may be directed to TOI at 217-744-2212 or [kayla@toi.org](mailto:kayla@toi.org).

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

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

*Providing scholarships for Illinois students since 1989*



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

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

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Name	Title	Township	County
Interviewee's Signature _____			

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

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

By submitting this application, \_\_\_\_\_ agrees that the included essay was written  
*Applicant Name*  
without assistance from Artificial Intelligence (AI) such as ChatGPT or other AI text bots.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

- Must be a graduating Illinois high school senior.
- Must be applying to attend a university/college located in Illinois. Awards may not be deferred. If you need to change schools after being awarded a scholarship, please contact the TOI office as soon as possible.
- Must be a U.S. citizen and resident of Illinois.
- Must plan to attend a university/college in Illinois as a full time student.
- Must have a history of extracurricular activities that demonstrates a willingness to accept leadership responsibilities (student government, club officer, etc.) or a commitment to civic responsibility, social consciousness and a willingness to serve the community (community service projects, volunteer activities with local service agencies or charitable institutions, etc.)
- Must submit a 500-word essay on *The Role of Township Government in Today's Society and in the Future* that will include information gained from an interview with an **elected** township official.
- Must submit two letters of recommendation from teachers, counselors, local officials or business people.
- Must submit an official high school transcript.
- Must submit a cover letter and completed application form.
- Must be mailed or submitted online no later than March 1, 2024. *Faxed or emailed applications will not be accepted.*

*All applicants should expect to receive written notification of a decision after April 1, 2024.*

*All scholarship awards are disbursed directly to the award recipient's school and must be used for the 2024-2025 academic year, awards may not be deferred.*

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# Application



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Name

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Mailing Address

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City, State, Zip

Phone

Email

Township in which you reside \_\_\_\_\_

County in which you reside \_\_\_\_\_

U.S. Citizen? • Yes • No

Illinois Resident? • Yes • No

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High School

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City

State

Zip

Expected Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative GPA\* \_\_\_\_\_

College/University attending Fall 2024: (must be in Illinois)

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School Name

City in Illinois

Expected Major:

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