
Application



Name

Address

City, State, Zip

Phone

Email

Township in which you reside _____

County in which you reside _____

Gender: Male Female

U.S. Citizen? Yes No

Illinois Resident? Yes No

High School

City

State

Zip

Expected Graduation Date _____ Class Rank _____ out of _____

Cumulative GPA* _____ SAT/ACT Score (composite, if applicable) _____

College/University attending Fall 2021: (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.

TOI will award seven \$2,000 scholarships in 2021

My 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 official from a township 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 of the following criteria:

Must be a graduating Illinois high school senior with a minimum GPA of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale.

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 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.

Applicant Checklist

- ◆ **Cover Letter.** Please submit a cover letter requesting consideration of your Scholarship Application.
- ◆ **Essay.** A central component of the application is the written essay. Applicants must complete a 500-word (minimum) essay conveying their understanding of township government in Illinois. Specifically, *“The Role of Township Government in Today’s Society and in the Future”* and a summary of an interview with a township official highlighting how it contributed to their understanding of township government.
- ◆ **Application.** All sections of this application must be completed.
- ◆ **Transcript.** Submit an official high school transcript.
- ◆ **Two Letters of Recommendation.**
- ◆ **Signature of Township Official Interviewed.** The interviewed township official must sign the application.

All checklist items must be submitted.

Faxed or emailed applications will not be accepted.

All applicants should expect to receive written notification of a decision after April 1, 2021.

All scholarship awards are disbursed directly to the award recipient’s school and must be used for the 2021-2022 academic year, awards may not be deferred.

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

Please mail your completed application, postmarked no later than March 1, 2021 to:

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



2021 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 \$331,500 has been awarded to 200 students.

Providing scholarships for Illinois students since 1989