The Rotary Club of Hibbing

2024 Scholarship Application Information

PO Box 174, Hibbing Minnesota 55746

The Rotary Club of Hibbing is one of over 33,000 Rotary Clubs worldwide in Rotary International. Rotary's motto is "Service Above Self."

Recognition of the Rotary ideal of "Service Above Self" is an important objective of The Rotary Club of Hibbing's scholarship program. We offer two scholarships each year.

Donald O. Hilligoss II Memorial Scholarship: \$1,000

The Rotary Club of Hibbing has established this Memorial Scholarship program to honor the legacy of Donald O. Hilligoss II, a successful Hibbing businessman and Rotarian that was a longtime supporter of Rotary, his Church, Scouting, and the Hibbing area.

Don truly exemplified Rotary's motto of "Service above Self." This \$1000 scholarship is available to a senior student from the **Hibbing, Chisholm, Nashwauk-Keewatin or Cherry High School** that has demonstrated **outstanding effort in the area of community service**.

William Larson Memorial Scholarship: \$1,000

The William Larson family established a scholarship program for Hibbing High School graduates and chose the Rotary Club of Hibbing as the mechanism for awarding the scholarships.

Dr. Larson was an optometrist and a Rotarian for many years in Hibbing. To honor his years of service through Rotary, this \$1000 scholarship is available to a **Hibbing High School senior student** that has demonstrated **outstanding effort in community service.**

Qualifications required for both scholarships:

- 1. The applicant's scholastic achievements must rank in the **upper one-half** of their High School graduating class.
- 2. The applicant must be planning to enroll and attend an accredited post-secondary educational institution for the next year.
- 3. The applicant must provide the Rotary Scholarship Committee with a completed Rotary Club of Hibbing Scholarship Application Form along with information demonstrating community service.

Community Service:

The purpose of the scholarships is to reward a student who has demonstrated personal integrity and leadership qualities while providing a "service to others."

Specific examples of providing a service to others can include a variety of activities performed by the applicant as a single individual or as a member of a school, church, community, youth, or civic group.

The service may benefit the community as a whole or may benefit specific individuals within the community.

The service should be performed without compensation. If the service performed was for a family member or relative, then that should be noted.

Applicants should describe the specific involvement they had in detail: What service was performed?

When? How often?

The following examples may be helpful in describing service experiences:

Instances where service is initiated or performed as a single individual:

- 1. Initiating and executing a service project that may or may not require the help of others to complete.
- 2. Helping an elderly person by mowing the lawn, shoveling snow, changing storm windows, or running errands, without monetary compensation.
- 3. Visiting an elderly person in a nursing home or a neighbor who is lonely.
- 4. Serving as a volunteer at a hospital, nursing home, etc.

Instances of service as a member of a group:

- 1. 4-H Club work as a leader or in a community service activity.
- 2. Projects of community service as part of a scout troop.
- 3. Community service activities as part of a church group, student council, youth or civic group.
- 4. The organization of or leadership of a group providing service should be noted in addition to the participation in the group.