

General Volunteer Scholarships

The scholarships in this list are for students who have dedicated several hours to volunteer work. There are no particular restrictions about the kind of work you can have done for these awards, but you should be able to show long-term commitment and how you've made an impact.

Americorps Vista

This service program—with a scholarship awarded at the end—is for students aged 17 and older. You must be willing to commit to 10-11 months of service at a nonprofit organization or government agency. You will receive a living stipend while you are serving. Scholarship awards given at the end of service are \$5,815.

AXA Achievement Scholarship

This scholarship is for ambitious and determined high school seniors who show respect for themselves, their families, and their communities. Students will have the opportunity to win awards of \$2,500, \$10,000, or \$25,000.

Bonner Scholars Program

This scholarship is for college students with demonstrated financial need who are willing to perform **10 hours of community service per week during the school year and 280 total hours in the summer**. The program meets the full documented financial need of each student. Students must be attending a school with a Bonner Scholars program and will apply through their campus.

Great Value Colleges Community Service Scholarship

Great Value Colleges awards \$1,500 to students who have enhanced their educations through community service.

LULAC National Scholarship Fund General Awards

This award is for entering freshmen who display motivation, sincerity, and community involvement. Multiple awards between \$250 and \$1,000 are given.

Prudential Spirit of Community Awards

These awards are for students in grades 5–12 who have participated in community service in the past 12 months. National Honorees receive a \$5,000 award, a medallion, a trophy, and a \$5,000 grant to a charity of choice. State Honorees receive an award of \$1,000, a medallion, and a paid trip to Washington, D.C. Local Honorees receive a Certificate of Achievement.

Leadership Scholarships

These scholarships are for students who have shown strong leadership skills – the ability to direct and inspire others – along with a dedication to community service.

Alliant Energy Community Service Scholarship

This essay contest awards \$1,000 to 25 students age 24 or under who have leadership roles in community service activities **whose families are Alliant customers (Alliant's service area is Iowa and Wisconsin).**

Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship Program

This award is for high school seniors who are nominated by their principals or guidance counselors for having shown a dedication to community service and leadership. There are over a thousand awards of \$1,000.

Elks National Foundation Most Valuable Student Competition

US citizens who have shown leadership, scholarship, and financial need can apply. There are 2 awards of \$50,000, 2 awards of \$40,000, 2 awards of \$30,000, 14 awards of \$20,000, and 480 awards of \$4,000.

GE-Reagan Foundation Scholarship

This award is for students who show leadership, drive, and good citizenship. There are around 20 awards of \$10,000, which are renewable each year of college for up to \$40,000.

State Farm Good Neighbor Scholarship

These scholarships are for high school seniors with a GPA between 2.5 and 3.2 and who are leaders and volunteers in their communities. There are fifty awards of \$5,000 each.

Financial Need Scholarships

These scholarships are aimed at students who have dedicated their time to serving their communities and who also can demonstrate financial need.

Horatio Alger Association Scholarship Program

High school students who have shown integrity, financial need, academic achievement, and community service may apply for this award. You will need a 2.0 GPA. A family income less than \$55K is required. National scholarships of \$25,000 are given every year, and smaller state scholarships are available as well.

Imagine America High School Scholarship

This award is for high school graduates who intend to enroll at a career college. They must have a high school GPA of at least 2.5, be able to demonstrate financial need, and have demonstrated community service during their senior year. Awards are \$1,000.

Ronald McDonald House Charities US Scholarships

Students under 21 who can show financial need and who have academic achievement, leadership, and community service experience are eligible for these awards. **Most scholarships are administered through local Ronald McDonald House Charities** (like these through [RMHC Central Indiana](#)); look for the local office near you. Scholarship amounts vary.

Strong Academics Scholarships

These scholarships are for students who have managed to balance schoolwork with volunteer work. They are aimed at students who have achieved top grades and test scores.

Coca-Cola Scholars Program Scholarship

Graduating high school students with who demonstrate academic achievement and who have shown a commitment to improving their communities are eligible for this award. **150 awards of \$20,000 are given every year.** You can also check out [our complete guide to winning a Coca Cola Scholarship.](#)

Wendy's High School Heisman Award

This award is for rising high school seniors who excel in academics, athletics, and community service. You must have 3.0 GPA. The number of awards and amount varies from \$1,000-\$10,000.

Field of Study Scholarships

These scholarships are for students who are planning on pursuing certain degrees while in college.

Davidson Fellowships

This award is for students under the age of 19 who have done significant work in math, science, technology, music, literature, or philosophy, or another field that will benefit society. There are 20 total awards in amounts of \$10,000, \$25,000, and \$50,000.

Dr. Alma S. Adams Scholarships

These scholarships are for college students **pursuing degrees in public health, communications, social work, education, liberal arts, or a related field.** They should have GPA of 2.0+ and demonstrate financial need. Student must provide evidence of community activities including activism, outreach, or peer counseling in tobacco prevention or control.

James Beard Foundation Scholarship

This is for students who are interested in a culinary career. Applicants should have strong academic record, leadership, and community service. Award amounts vary.

James M. and Virginia M. Smyth Scholarship

This scholarship is for students with a GPA of 3.0+ who demonstrate financial need and are pursuing a degree in arts and sciences, human services, music, or ministry. Students must have shown a commitment to community service. **There is a preference for applicants from Missouri, Mississippi, Georgia, Illinois, Oklahoma, Texas, and Tennessee.** 12 – 15 awards of \$2,000 are given every year, and they are renewable for up to four years.

Mary A. Mades Volunteer Scholarship Award

This scholarship is awarded by Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston to a student pursuing a degree in healthcare who has spent at least 125 hours volunteering at Beth Israel over the past 2 years.

National Strength and Conditioning Association High School Scholarship

This scholarship is for high school seniors with a GPA over 3.0 looking to enter a strength and conditioning field who have a track record of community service and are members of the NSCA. There are multiple \$1,500 awards available.

Tylenol Future Care Scholarship

This award is for college or graduate students studying healthcare, who have high GPAs and can show community involvement. Awards range from \$500-\$10,000. Check out [our complete guide on how to win a Tylenol scholarship.](#)

Washington Hospital Service League Volunteer Scholarship

This award is for high school seniors and college students in the Washington Hospital District who are pursuing a healthcare-related degree, with a GPA of at least 2.5, and who have volunteered for at least 100 hours in healthcare. The award is \$1,000 and is renewable for all 4 years of college.

Young Women in Public Affairs Award

Women aged 16-19 who are pursuing careers in government, public policy, and community organizations, and who are involved in community service, should apply for this scholarship. Ten international scholarships of \$4,000 and up to 32 scholarships of \$1,000 are awarded each year.

Environmental Focus Scholarships

These scholarships are for students who have dedicated their time to helping the environment.

Brower Youth Awards

This scholarship is for students who have shown **leadership in environmental activism**. Six awards of \$3,000 are given every year, plus a professional film crew will make a short film about the winners' work. The winner will also receive a week-long trip to California to participate in media engagements and environmental conferences.

Gloria Barron Prize for Young Heroes

This scholarship is for students aged 8 - 18 who have made a significant positive difference to people or the environment. There are 25 awards of \$5,000.

Special Characteristics and Circumstances Scholarships

These scholarships are for students who have faced certain challenges or who have special characteristics.

LEAGUE Foundation Scholarship

LGBT high school seniors with a GPA of 3.0 and above who are involved in community service can apply for this scholarship.

Live Out Loud Scholarships

This scholarship is for **high school seniors who identify as LGBTQ from the tri-state area** (New York, New Jersey, or Connecticut). You must demonstrate leadership, a strong academic record, and community service. Awards of up to \$10,000 are given every year.

National Federations of the Blind Scholarship

Legally blind college students from US and Puerto Rico may apply. The winner is chosen based on academic excellence, community service, and leadership. Awards are between \$3,000 and \$12,000. Up to 30 awards are given each year.

PFLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays) Scholarships

This scholarship is for high school seniors or college students in New Mexico who are LGBT or a straight ally. Students must show integrity and participation in community activities. Awards are \$1,000.

Yes, I Can Council for Exceptional Children Award

Students between 3 and 21 years old with a disability can be nominated by a teacher, parent, other nominee, or even a self-nomination! The student must be involved in various activities including volunteer work.

Special Affiliations Scholarships

These scholarships are for students who are associated with certain groups.

[Americorps National Civilian Community Corps](#)

This scholarship is for U.S. citizens between 18 and 24 who are **willing to serve on Americorps campuses in Denver, Sacramento, Baltimore, Vinton (IA) or Vicksburg (MS)**. Winners must commit to 10 months of service in the region. The scholarship awarded at the close of service is for \$5,815.

[Burger King Scholars Program](#)

These awards are for Burger King employees or relatives of employees who show good citizenship and commitment to the community.

[Eagle Scout Scholarship](#)

The National Eagle Scout Association offers two kinds of awards for Eagle Scouts: **academic awards and merit awards**. Academic scholarships are offered in amounts up to \$50,000, and merit scholarships are offered up to \$5,000. Academic scholarship applicants must be in their senior year of high school. Merit scholarship applicants must be high school seniors or college students not past their junior year of study.

[Jesse Brown Scholarship](#)

Students aged 21 and under who have done **at least 100 hours of community service to serve veterans at a VA medical center** can apply for these awards. There is one top scholarship of \$20,000, and additional scholarships of \$15,000, \$10,000, \$7,500, and \$5,000.

[National Honor Society Scholarship Program](#)

These awards are for high school students who are members of NHS. Any senior member of a chapter may apply. Awards come in a variety of amounts depending on how far the student advances in the scholarship competition and range from about \$3,000-\$22,000.

[Navin Narayan College Scholarship](#)

This award is for high school seniors who have served at least 2 years as a Red Cross volunteer. There is a one-time award of \$1,000.

[Siemens Foundation Scholarship](#)

This \$4,000 award is for high school juniors who are **children of full-time Siemens employees** and who have an excellent academic record and have made significant contributions to the community.

Minority Group Scholarships

These scholarships are for students who have affiliations with certain minority groups or a particular ethnicity.

Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute Scholar-Intern Program

These scholarships are for Latinx students with strong academics who have a history of performing public service and charitable activities in the community. Students must have financial need and strong writing skills. Students will also receive an internship placement. Award amount varies.

Columbus Citizens Foundation College Scholarship Program

High school seniors of **Italian descent (at least 25%) with household incomes less than \$25,000 per person in the household** can apply for this scholarship. You should also have a GPA of 3.0 or higher, and have shown commitment to community service. The award amount varies.

Hispanic Heritage Youth Awards

These awards are for Hispanic rising seniors with GPAs of at least 3.5 and above who have shown commitment to community service.

Japanese American Citizens League Scholarships

These scholarships are for high school students and college students who are JACL members (you do not need to be of Japanese/Japanese heritage to be member - anyone can join). You will have to submit a personal statement, your academic record, letters of recommendation, details about your community service, and details about your work experience. There are separate awards for entering Freshmen, and current undergraduate students. The award amounts vary.

RHMC/HACER National Scholarship

This scholarship is for Hispanic high school seniors (at least one parent of Hispanic/Latino heritage) who show academic achievement, financial need, and community involvement. There are a small number of large national awards (\$25,000 per year) and some additional local awards of at least \$1,000.

Ron Brown Scholarships

These scholarships are for **African American high school seniors who have financial need, academic excellence, leadership, and community service experience.** The awards are \$10,000/year, and are renewable for up to 4 years (for a total of \$40,000).

Whitney M. Young, Jr. Memorial Scholarship

These awards are given to minority New York City residents who are high school graduates, and have strong academic achievement, leadership skills, and commitment to community service. The program awards scholarships between \$1,500 and \$5,000.

Worldstudio AIGA Scholarships

This award is for minority and economically disadvantaged students who are studying art and design, and also have shown a commitment to community service. Basic scholarships are in the amount of

\$2,000-\$3,000. There are also two additional awards of up to \$5,000 and honorable mention prizes of \$500.

Social Activism Scholarships

These scholarships are aimed at students who have been working hard to bring about changes in society.

Davis-Putter Scholarship

This scholarship is for college students who are actively involved in fighting for social justice or civil rights. Multiple awards up to \$10,000 are given every year.

Margaret McNamara Education Grants

This scholarship is for women from developing countries who are pursuing study in the U.S. or Canada. Note that awardees must be at least 25 years of age. Grant awards are for up to \$15,000.

Princeton Prize in Race Relations

This \$1,000-prize is awarded to students in grades 9–12 who have been involved in community service in the past 12 months and have encouraged positive race relations. Students will also be invited to attend a symposium at Princeton.

Stephen J. Brady Stop Hunger Scholarship

This scholarship is for students aged 5–25 who have shown on-going commitment to an unpaid volunteer activity in the past year that involves fighting hunger. Additional consideration is given if you have been fighting childhood hunger. Winners will receive an award of \$5,000 for their education plus a \$5,000 grant in their name to a hunger-related charity of their choice.