

Atascadero Rotary Club



2023

ATASCADERO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

For all students working toward a four year college degree,
studying in a CTE or trade school program, or attending Cuesta
College.

How To Apply for a Rotary Scholarship

The applicant must:

- Submit the applicable Scholarship application to the high school you attend (AHS; Paloma Creek; ACE). AND ...
- Submit a brief essay to the Rotary Club of Atascadero
 - Essay MUST be emailed to: atascaderorotaryfoundation@gmail.com
 - Essay must be in WORD or PDF format. **NO GOOGLE DOCS.**
 - Essay must include your name, school, and email address in top right hand corner.

The essay must include the following:

- **Who you are**
- **What have you done** (school activities, community service, job experience, academic achievement)
- **What will you do** (higher education goals, career goals, community service interests)
- **What makes you unique and the best fit to receive this scholarship** (tell us why you should get a scholarship)

By submitting your application you are giving permission to your school to release your student transcript to be reviewed as part of the application process. Your transcript will only be viewed by the selection committee. It will then be returned to your school

All scholarships are funded by the Atascadero Rotary Foundation Inc. (a 501(c)(3) charitable organization). If you are interested in donating to this foundation to help expand scholarships for local youth please contact Andrew Cherry at (805) 400-0049 for more information.

Application and Essay

Due: March 1, 2023

Qualifications/Criteria

- There is NO minimum GPA requirement. All students are encouraged to apply.
- Applicants will be evaluated on GPA, community involvement, extracurricular activities, and need.
- Top applicants will be interviewed by representatives of the Scholarship Committee.

Scholarships are available to students interested in a vocational career, or Career Technical Education (CTE). These careers may be in nursing, automotive technician, paramedics, dentistry, physical therapy, construction, and other such careers.

See the accompanying table for these specific scholarships.

Rotary International is a worldwide organization of business and professional men and women united to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world. The Rotary Club of Atascadero has established 12 scholarships (see table below). All scholarships are to assist a high school graduate from AHS or Paloma Creek with the cost of post high school education at an accredited college, university, or a vocational school providing a Career Technical Education (CTE).

ROTARY SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED

Scholarship Name	Value	Duration	Specifications
Gordon Gearhart Renewable	\$1,500 a Year with a \$6,000 Total Potential	4 continuous years	Award winner needs to be attending college.
Todd Everett	\$1,500	1 year	Pursuing higher education. Special consideration to students that ran cross-country or distance running in school, or are seeking a career in printing, graphic arts, or business.
Rotary-Ganpule	\$1,500	1 year	Attending college with medical field career goal.
Rotary-Don Hanauer	\$1,500	1 year	Pursuing higher education with major and career in business
Rotary-Clark Herman	\$1,500	1 year	Pursuing higher education in areas of environmental science, environmental engineering, conservation and natural resources management, or landscape.
Rotary-Joanne Main	\$1,500	1 year	Pursuing higher education
Rotary-Ted McCarty	\$1,500	1 year	Attending college with major and career in education.
Rotary-Lee Swam Memorial	\$5,000	1 year	Pursuing higher education
Rotary-Rasmussen Family	\$1,500	1 year	Attending Cuesta College.
Stanley & Anna Cherry Memorial Scholarship	\$1,500	1 Year	Career starter grant/academic scholarship granted for starting a career through education, training, or simply start-up costs associated with a business plan or line of work.
R. and B. Shultz (three scholarships)	1. \$1,500 2. \$1,500	1 year	Both: Career Technical Education, or higher education, in their chosen trade or career field (e.g., nursing, paramedics, medical assistants, dental assistants, physical rehabilitation, automotive repair, construction, vocational trades).