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PALM BEACH COUNTY

LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

2026

INTRODUCTION

This Rotary Club of Palm Beach Foundation Palm Beach County Legacy 2026 scholarship program is based on the academic calendar systems in the USA, which are the quarter system, semester system, and in some cases the trimester system. This application, regardless of the academic calendar systems used by your school of choice, is for the time frame typically running from August 2026 up to, and in some cases, including portions of June 2027, but does not pertain to summer class work. Scholarships are awarded for full-time, meaning not less than 12 credit hours of study per semester, or the equivalent number of hours under an alternative academic calendar system, for only undergraduate study at accredited colleges and universities located in the USA on the basis of a comprehensive process. Areas reviewed by us include academic accomplishments, community service, personal achievements and financial need. College and university post-graduate educational studies are not eligible for this scholarship program, including working on an additional undergraduate degree. If you have received a four-year undergraduate degree, you are not eligible for this scholarship program. Holders of AA or AS degrees, or those currently seeking such degrees, are eligible for this scholarship program for full time academic work toward achieving an initial four-year undergraduate degree. You or your parent(s) must be a legal resident of Palm Beach County, Florida to be eligible for this Legacy Scholarship Program.

This scholarship is for one academic year as defined above. Applicants and those awarded scholarships may be eligible to be awarded future scholarships depending on meeting the then current conditions of the scholarship program, continued academic success, and availability of funds. Awarded scholarships are made payable only to the educational institution. If you receive a Legacy scholarship in any given year you will not receive any other Rotary Club of Palm Beach Foundation scholarship for that same school year. You may apply for more than one Rotary Club of Palm Beach Foundation scholarship program for the same school year to improve your chances of securing one scholarship from us, but you will not receive more than one Rotary Club of Palm Beach Foundation scholarship for any given school year. PLEASE READ THIS APPLICATION CAREFULLY, ANSWER EVERY QUESTION AND PROVIDE EVERY DOCUMENT REQUESTED. FAILURE TO FULLY COMPLETE THIS APPLICATION, FAILURE TO ANSWER EVERY QUESTION COMPLETELY OR FAILURE TO PROVIDE ALL FORMS OF DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED BY THIS APPLICATION WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION OF YOUR APPLICATION. LEAVE NO SECTION BLANK. IF NOT APPLICABLE WRITE "NA." DEPENDING ON THE NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS RECEIVED, THE DEGREE OF COMPETITIVENESS BETWEEN THE APPLICANTS AND THE AMOUNT OF FUNDS AVAILABLE, NOT ALL APPLICANTS MAY RECEIVE A SCHOLARSHIP. **THIS APPLICATION, AND ITS ATTACHMENTS, MUST BE SUBMITTED ON OR BEFORE MAY 20, 2026, TO THE ROTARY CLUB OF PALM BEACH FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE, AS ONE APPLICATION PACKAGE, IN PDF FORMAT ONLY, VIA EMAIL ONLY TO RotaryPB1950@gmail.com FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH OUR EMAIL ONLY SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENT AND PDF FORMAT REQUIREMENT IS GROUNDS FOR APPLICATION DISQUALIFICATION.**

INDEX OF APPLICATION SECTIONS

This Rotary Club of Palm Beach Foundation Legacy Scholarship Application for your reference consists of the following sections:

- o Introduction
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- o Tell us More About Yourself
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- o Financial Information
- o Essay
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- o Application Checklist

All applicants are strongly encouraged to ensure that they have reviewed and, where required, responded to any request contained within any Section.

APPLICANT PRIMARY INFORMATION

NAME:
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial) Preferred Name

ADDRESS:

CITY / STATE / ZIP:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

DATE OF BIRTH: CELL/HOME TELEPHONE NUMBER:

HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDED:

GPA: GPA: (weighted) Class Rank , if known:

SAT COMPOSITE SCORE:

ACT COMPOSITE SCORE:

A/P CREDITS:

COLLEGE (S) ATTENDED:

GPA: _____ GPA: (weighted) _____

ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR HIGH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE TRANSCRIPT WITH THIS APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS MOST RECENT

TELL US MORE ABOUT YOURSELF

The topics listed here, and the space allocated to each topic, are only a guide. We would like to know more about who you are, what you have done, what you want to do.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: - *include all honors you have received. Attach additional pages as needed in sequential order.*

COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES: - *list all volunteer community service activities you have participated in and your estimated total hours for each. Attach additional pages as needed in sequential order.*

WORK EXPERIENCE: - *list job title, supervisor's name, dates employed, hours worked per week. Attach additional pages as needed in sequential order.*

COLLEGE PLANS: - *indicate why you chose the schools to which you have applied. Attach additional pages as needed in sequential order.*

MAJOR COURSE OF STUDY: - *briefly explain why you have chosen this course(s) of study. Attach additional pages as needed in sequential order.*

OTHER: - *briefly tell us anything else you think is important for us to know about you. Attach additional pages as needed in sequential order.*

FAMILY INFORMATION

Regardless of your parents' marital status, the following questions concern both parents/guardians. If your parents are divorced, please identify who claims you as a dependent on his/her Federal Tax Return.



FATHER'S FULL NAME: AGE: _____

ADDRESS:

OCCUPATION / PRESENT EMPLOYER

IF YOU WISH, PLEASE INDICATE ANY SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

MOTHER'S FULL NAME: AGE: _____

ADDRESS:

OCCUPATION / PRESENT EMPLOYER

IF YOU WISH, PLEASE INDICATE ANY SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

Which of the above parents claim you as a dependent on their IRS Income Tax Return?

Father _____ Mother _____ Both (married, filing jointly) _____

To be eligible for this scholarship program you must be the current age of dependency as defined by the IRS and applicable IRS rules pertaining to dependency. See link: <https://www.irs.gov/faqs/filing-requirements-status-dependents/dependents/dependents-2>
Among other things, this means you, the applicant, must be either younger than 19 years old or be a "student" younger than 24 years old as of the end of the calendar year.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

STATEMENT OF NEED – *Attach a written explanation of how you learned about the scholarships of Rotary Club of Palm Beach Foundation. List any special circumstances which contribute to your financial need or otherwise as an attachment to your submission of this application.*

SCHOLARSHIPS: - *please list all scholarships for which you have been nominated or applied for, the organization making the award and the amount of each award. Please include Florida Bright Futures Award, but if not applicable to you, add it anyway, but mark it "NA."*

Anticipated Scholarships & Dollar Amount

Name of Scholarship Provider	Name of Scholarship Program	Dollar Amount Anticipated	Received (Y/N)

LOANS: – please list all the loans for which you have applied, the financial institution and the amount of the loans. Attach additional pages as needed in sequential order.

Institution	Amount

ADDITIONAL PERSONAL / FAMILY FINANCIAL PLANS:

_____ State of Florida College Prepaid plan or any other college prepaid plan, college savings and college financial plan.

_____ % of my college attendance/expenses are covered by the above.

_____ My parent(s) expect to contribute the following per year \$ _____

_____ I plan to work and should be able to contribute \$_____ per year.

_____ FAFSA - Provide a copy of your FAFSA Form with your PDF application package you submit to us. If you do not have a FAFSA, attach a copy of your parent's most recent IRS income tax return showing the adjusted gross income (AGI) and taxpayer name(s), address of parent(s), and your name listed as a dependent on the tax return. All other information may be redacted. Alternatively, if you are not claimed by your parents as a dependent for tax purposes, you still depend on your parents for some financial assistance, you meet the IRS dependency age requirements as stated hereinabove, but you file your own tax return, you may submit your most recent IRS tax return showing your adjusted gross income (AGI), your taxpayer name and your address. All other information may be redacted.

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Please fill out the following table that is applicable to your current situation. List all Colleges/Universities and their Location to which you have applied/ have been accepted/ or are currently attending and provide the following information:

College or University Name and Location	Indicate if: 1)Applied, but no reply 2)Accepted 3)Currently Attending	Cost of Tuition & Fees Per Yr.	Cost of Room & Board Per Yr.	Cost of Travel & Books Per Yr.	Amount of Scholarships & Loans Anticipated Per Yr.	Funding Shortfall Per Yr.

Nm: Loc:		Tu\$ Fee\$	Rm\$ Bd\$	Tr\$ Bk\$	Sc\$ Ln\$	\$
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Nm: Loc:		Tu\$ Fee\$	Rm\$ Bd\$	Tr\$ Bk\$	Sc\$ Ln\$	\$
Nm: Loc:		Tu\$ Fee\$	Rm\$ Bd\$	Tr\$ Bk\$	Sc\$ Ln\$	\$

<p>Mailing Information for Sending Scholarship Funds to your College or University</p> <p>Name of college or university:</p> <p>Office or Department:</p> <p>Street or P.O. Box address:</p> <p>City, state, zip code:</p> <p>Full name of Student on file w/ the school:</p> <p>Student Number and Account Number:</p> <p>Other school required info for handling of receipt of scholarship funds.</p>

Please take notice and be advised that should your school have a specific form that they wish for a scholarship provider like us to use when providing scholarship funds on your behalf to your school you should track down that form used by your school and send it to us ASAP instead of us using the information provided above.

ESSAY

Write a clear and concise essay on one of the topics listed below with at least 250 words, but not more than 500 words, and attach your essay to this application, in sequential order, within the required PDF application package you submit to us:

1. American history is replete with examples of the “self-made men and women.” Why then, is education, and particularly higher education, considered important today?
2. In an increasingly visual society, what can we expect from our world if reading becomes obsolete?
3. Sports can be viewed as opportunities of learning, both positively and negatively. Explain.
4. Music, art and theater are all expressions of society’s creativity. How can we best cultivate this expression, enriching our present and our future?
5. Healthcare in the United States has changed dramatically in the last two decades. How do you view that change and what do you foresee in our medical future?
6. Discuss an obstacle that you have encountered and how you overcame the setback.

SIGNATURE OF THE PROPOSED SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

Signature of the Proposed Scholarship Recipient

Date: _____

Witness Signature

Date: _____

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APPLICATION CHECKLIST

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REQUIRED ITEMS	OPTIONAL DOCUMENTS
A Cover Letter	Academic Awards or Honors added to the required PDF application package submitted to us.
Fully Completed Scholarship Application & Required Documents within the one required PDF application package submitted to us. Emailed to: RotaryPB1950@gmail.com addressed to the Scholarship Committee on or before May 20, 2026.	Certificates or other Documentation of Community Service Activities added to the required PDF application package submitted to us.
Copy of Official Transcript (High School or College, as applicable) within the required PDF application package submitted to us.	Documentation of extracurricular activities, volunteerism, clubs, internships, organizations or sports added to the required PDF application package submitted to us.
Copy of Official ACT and/or SAT Scores within the required PDF application package submitted to us.	Letters of Recommendation added to the required PDF application package submitted to us.
Proof of acceptance in an eligible program, if received within the required PDF application package submitted to us. If not yet received, your letter of acceptance may be requested from you as proof of attendance prior to provision of the scholarship funds	Your Resume added to the required PDF application package submitted to us.
An attached written explanation of how you learned about the Legacy scholarship of the Rotary Club of Palm Beach Foundation within the required PDF application package submitted to us.	
Completion of your Essay which is to be attached to this application upon submittal, within the required PDF application package submitted to us.	
Your attached Student Aid Report (SAR) from the FASFA program (if available) or the most recent income tax return of you parents as indicated in the “Financial Information” section within the required PDF application package submitted to us.	
All optional Extra Pages Needed by the Applicant to Completely Answer Questions and Provide All Required Information within the required PDF application package submitted to us.	

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Should you have any questions, please direct all questions to the Scholarship Selection Committee, Subject: Legacy Scholarship Program, via email only, to RotaryPB1950@gmail.com While we try to be responsive, we are not always able to do so due to other obligations. Therefore, it is best to ask questions early on and not at the eleventh hour. Should we fail to answer your question or fail to answer it in a timely manner this shall not be grounds for a time extension nor shall this in any way nullify the outcome of the scholarship award process. All scholarship award decisions are final. Please govern yourself accordingly.

The Rotary Club of Palm Beach Foundation intends to inform you with notice of whether you will be receiving a scholarship from us on or before July 4, 2026. We wish you all the best in this and in any other endeavor you undertake to secure the education you require in order to provide for the absolute best for you and your family in the years ahead.

