



DES MOINES DOLLARS *for* SCHOLARS

2009

Des Moines Dollars for Scholars Scholarship Descriptions & Requirements

The *Des Moines Dollars for Scholars Community Scholarship Foundation* is pleased to announce the following scholarships to be awarded in the Spring of 2009. Many business, service and professional organizations and individual donors contribute scholarship funds to benefit the Des Moines Dollars for Scholars Community Scholarship Program. The mission of *Des Moines Dollars for Scholars* is to provide scholarship opportunities for students of all ages who live in or attend school in the Cities of Des Moines and Normandy Park.

Des Moines Chamber of Commerce / Health Care Scholarship (1-2 scholarships/\$500 - \$1,000)

- The funding for this scholarship is provided by the Des Moines Chamber of Commerce Endowment Fund.
- This scholarship is designed to encourage education in the field of health care services. There are no age restrictions on this scholarship; however, a high school diploma or equivalent is required. Special consideration will be given to applicants who submit a financial aid questionnaire demonstrating critical financial need. Applicants must live in or attend school in Des Moines or Normandy Park.
- The applicant must provide an official transcript if applicable (high school or college student); and an essay describing his or her future plans (including, but not limited to, continued education, future employment, etc.), and how the applicant believes his or her activities, experience, education and/or community involvement will have prepared him or her for future academic and life adventures. Essays should be no more than two pages, double-spaced.
- Scholarship funds may be used for tuition, fees and books.

Des Moines Chamber of Commerce / Trade Scholarship (1-2 scholarships/\$500 - \$1,000)

- The funding for this scholarship is provided by the Des Moines Chamber of Commerce Endowment Fund.
- This scholarship is designed to encourage education in an occupational or vocational trade requiring skilled labor (such as carpentry, masonry, plumbing, electrical installation, and the like). There are no age restrictions on this scholarship; however, a high school diploma or equivalent is required. Special consideration will be given to applicants who submit a financial aid questionnaire demonstrating critical financial need. Applicants must live in or attend school in Des Moines or Normandy Park.
- The applicant must provide an official transcript if applicable (high school or college student); and an essay describing his or her future plans (including, but not limited to, continued education, future employment, etc.), and how the applicant believes his or her activities, experience, education and community involvement will have prepared him or her for future academic and life adventures. Essays should be no more than two pages, double-spaced.
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Des Moines Chamber of Commerce / Ronald Millheisler Scholarship (1 scholarship - \$1,000)

- The funding for this scholarship is provided by the Des Moines Chamber of Commerce Endowment Fund in memory of attorney Ronald Millheisler.
- This scholarship is designed to encourage business education. Applicants must have successfully completed at least four semesters of business education courses. Special consideration will be given to students who have actual work experience.
- The applicant must provide an official school transcript and an essay describing his or her future plans (including, but not limited to, continued education, future employment, etc.), and how the applicant believes his or her activities, experience, education and/or community involvement will have prepared him or her for future academic and life adventures. Essays should be no more than two pages, double-spaced.
- This scholarship is available to graduating senior students who live in or attend school in Des Moines or Normandy Park.

Des Moines Dollars for Scholars Scholarship (1-2 scholarships/\$500 - \$1,000)

- Funding for this scholarship is provided by contributions received from business, service and professional organizations and individual donors.
- Primary consideration for this scholarship is given to students with demonstrated financial need (financial aid questionnaire required).
- Applicants must have a GPA of 2.5 or better.
- Applicant must provide an essay describing his or her future plans (including, but not limited to, continued education, future employment, etc.), and how the applicant believes his or her activities, experience, education and community involvement will have prepared him or her for future academic and life adventures. Essays should be no more than two pages double-spaced.
- This scholarship is available to graduating seniors or currently enrolled college students who live in or attend school in Des Moines or Normandy Park.

Des Moines Rotary Scholarship (1 scholarship/\$500 - \$1,000)

- Funding for this scholarship is provided by the Des Moines Rotary Club.
- Grade point average is not a consideration for this scholarship.
- Consideration is given to the extent and scope of community involvement and civic activities.
- The applicant must provide (1) an official school transcript; (2) at least one letter of recommendation; (3) a community service form; and (4) an essay describing his or her future plans (including, but not limited to, continued education, future employment, etc.), and how the applicant believes his or her activities, experience, education and community involvement will have prepared him or her for future academic and life adventures. Essays should be no more than two pages, double-spaced.



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- This scholarship is available to graduating senior students who live in or attend school in Des Moines or Normandy Park.

Des Moines Yacht Club First Mates Scholarship (1-2 scholarships/\$500 – 1,500)

- The funding of this scholarship is provided by Des Moines Yacht Club First Mates.
- This scholarship is available to graduating seniors from Mount Rainier High School who plan to attend a post-secondary educational institution (vocational, community college, or four-year college) and is designed to recognize students who show great commitment to community service and who work to their potential academically.
- The applicant must provide (1) an official school transcript; (2) at least two (2) letters of recommendation; (3) a community service form; and (4) an essay describing his or her future plans (including, but not limited to, continued education, future employment, etc.), and how the applicant believes his or her activities, experience, education and community involvement will have prepared him or her for future academic and life adventures. Essays should be no more than two pages, double-spaced.
- Scholarship funds may be used for tuition, fees and books.

Kiwanis Club of Des Moines Scholarship (1-2 scholarships/\$500 - \$1,000)

- The funding of this scholarship is provided by the Kiwanis Club of Des Moines.
- This scholarship is available only to seniors graduating from Mt. Rainier High School and is designed to honor students who show great commitment to community service while maintaining an above average academic record.
- The applicant must provide (1) an official school transcript; (2) two letters of recommendation; (3) a community service form; and (4) an essay describing his or her future plans (including, but not limited to, continued education, future employment, etc.), and how the applicant believes his or her activities, experience, education and community involvement will have prepared him or her for future academic and life adventures. Essays should be no more than two pages, double-spaced.
- Applicants will be judged as follows: Community Service - 60%; Future Goals - 25%; Academic Record - 10%; Intangibles - 5%.

Powell Homes Scholarship (1-2 scholarships/\$500 - \$1,000)

- The funding of this scholarship is provided by Powell Homes to encourage business education.
- Applicant must provide an essay describing his or her future plans (including, but not limited to, continued education, future employment, etc.), and how the applicant believes his or her activities, experience, education and community involvement will have prepared him or her for future academic and life adventures. Essays should be no more than two pages double-spaced.
- Applicants must have a GPA of 2.5 or better.
- Scholarship funds may be used for tuition, fees and books.



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- This scholarship is available to graduating seniors or currently enrolled college students who live in or attend school in Des Moines or Normandy Park.

Southwest Seattle Business and Professional Women Scholarship (1 scholarship - \$500)

- The funding for this scholarship is provided by the Southwest Seattle Business and Professional Women.
- This scholarship is designed to encourage women to continue their education toward careers in business or professional services. Applicants must demonstrate clear career goals and critical financial need. This scholarship is limited to females who are high school graduates and United States citizens living or attending school in Des Moines or Normandy Park.
- The applicant must provide a financial aid questionnaire and an essay describing his or her future plans (including, but not limited to, continued education, future employment, etc.), and how the applicant believes his or her activities, experience, education and community involvement will have prepared him or her for future academic and life adventures. Essays should be no more than two pages, double-spaced.
- Scholarship funds may be used for tuition, fees and books.

Steven J. Underwood Scholarship (1-2 scholarships/\$500 - \$1,000)

- The funding of this scholarship is provided by employees of the City of Des Moines in memory of Officer Steven Underwood of the Des Moines Police Department.
- The applicant must provide (1) an official school transcript; (2) at least one letter of recommendation; (3) a community service form; and (4) an essay describing his or her future plans (including, but not limited to, continued education, future employment, etc.), and how the applicant believes his or her activities, experience, education and community involvement will have prepared him or her for future academic and life adventures. Essays should be no more than two pages, double-spaced.
- Scholarship funds may be used for tuition, fees and books.
- High school seniors or currently enrolled college students who live in or attend school in Des Moines or Normandy Park are eligible to apply.

Applications and checklist are available online at www.scholarsgetdollars.com.

Selection is made without regard to an applicant's race, color, national origin, religious belief, sex, marital status, age or physical handicap.

Scholarship checks will be sent to the school in which the applicant is enrolled after verification of enrollment is received.