

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Missouri Rural Water Association Scholarship Committee will award six (6) college scholarships for the 2025-2026 school term. Three scholarships will be awarded to enrolled college students and three to graduating high school seniors.

The scholarships will be awarded to children, stepchildren or dependents of a full-time employee of either an Active Member System or of MRWA.

The three scholarships awarded to enrolled college students are designated the James Farley Scholarship in honor of James Farley, a longtime attorney in the water industry. Mr. Farley was instrumental in drafting many of the laws which govern rural water districts in the State of Missouri and was legal counsel for many water districts which were formed in Northwest Missouri. He was a longtime supporter of MRWA, dating back to the beginning of the Association, and served as legal counsel for MRWA from 2000 until he retired from practicing law in 2014.

Application must be postmarked no later than April 28, 2025, and mailed to:

Missouri Rural Water Association
901 Richardson Drive
Ashland, Missouri 65010
or Email to: ccooper@moruralwater.org

Complete application and rules can be found online at www.moruralwater.org

Please contact the MRWA office at 573-657-5533 if you need the application mailed to you.

MISSOURI RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION (2025-2026) 901 Richardson Dr., Ashland, MO 65010 (Application must be typed and on the official form.) **Personal Data:** IS THIS YOUR FIRST TIME APPLYING FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP? ____ YES ____ NO **Eligible Member Employee Data:** NAME ______ JOB TITLE _____ MEMBER SYSTEM _____ RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT _____ **High School Data:** SCHOOL NAME _____ GRADUATION DATE ____ ADDRESS _____ CITY _____STATE ____ZIP ____ CLASS RANK ______ NUMBER OF STUDENTS IN CLASS _____ **College/University Data:** WILL THIS BE YOUR FIRST YEAR OF HIGHER EDUCATION? YES, move on to the next bold section. NO, complete this section & include college transcripts. INDICATE CREDIT HOURS COMPLETED _____ NUMBER REQUIRED TO GRADUATE _____ COLLEGE GRADE POINT AVERAGE SCHOOL NAME ADDRESS _____ CITY_____ STATE ____ ZIP ____ TELEPHONE (____) ___ - ____ ____ 4-YEAR COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY Please Indicate _____ 2-YEAR COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY ____ VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL GRADUATE SCHOOL Anticipated or Current Major Course of Study: **Financial Data:** PLEASE INDICATE WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING INCOME RANGES MATCHES YOUR GROSS FAMILY INCOME: Under \$30,000 \$30,000-\$44,999 \$45,000-\$59,999 \$60,000-\$74,999 Over \$75,000 IF YOU ARE RECEIVING OTHER FINANCIAL AID, PLEASE ITEMIZE BY NAME AND AMOUNT. NAME: ______ AMOUNT: _____ NAME: ______ AMOUNT: _____

NAME: AMOUNT:

IF THERE ARE ANY FAMILY CIRCUMSTANCES THAT SHALL INFLUENCE YOUR NEED FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, PLEASE DESCRIBE:
Awards, Memberships or Special Recognition: LIST BELOW ANY SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY-RELATED AWARDS, MEMBERSHIPS OR SPECIAL RECOGNITION, INCLUDING THOSE THAT ARE WORK-RELATED, THAT YOU HAVE RECEIVED DATING BACK TO YOUR SOPHOMORE YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL.
Essay: ON A SEPARATE PAGE IN 500 WORDS OR LESS, WRITE A BRIEF ESSAY ON; WHAT STEPS CAN YOUR/FUTURE GENERATIONS TAKE TO HELP PROTECT DRINKING WATER? THE USE OF AI IS NOT PERMITTED. (Must be typed and include the word count.)
Certification: IN SUBMITTING THIS APPLICATION, WE CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE. FALSE INFORMATION WILL RESULT IN THE REVOCATION OF ANY SCHOLARSHIP GRANTED.
Applicant's Signature Date Parent's Signature(Must be the signature of the member employee.) Date

Official Rules

This grant of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) will be made to a student to defray the cost of tuition, books, or room and board at an accredited institution of higher learning approved by Missouri Rural Water Association (MRWA). Disbursement of the money will be made upon presentation of winner's college or university invoice as proof of full-time enrollment. The scholarship money will be paid directly to the student, seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00) per semester or divided quarterly. The scholarship will be awarded to children, stepchildren or legal dependents of full-time employees of Active Member Systems or of full-time employees of MRWA who are residents of Missouri; students must be 26 or under by September 1 of that school year. In order to be eligible for a scholarship, applicant must complete the official application form in its entirety by completing all blanks. If item is not applicable, place N/A in the blank. Upon completion, return it to the MRWA Scholarship Committee by the postmark deadline, April 28, 2025. All applications will be first screened on the basis of leadership responsibilities in community and school activities as well as grade point average. The scholarship recipients will be selected on the basis of the number, length of commitment, and quality of leadership responsibilities in community and school activities, awards, honors, academic record, career goals, and financial need. Applicants will be evaluated on a comparative basis at the sole discretion of the committee. Decisions will be final. Application material and decisions of the committee shall be confidential. Acceptance of scholarship constitutes permission to use recipient's name and/or likeness for purpose of promotion.