





## ROTARY CLUB OF SANTA CRUZ VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS GUIDELINES

The Rotary Club of Santa Cruz Vocational Scholarship Program was established to assist students enrolled in an approved vocational or technical program of study. Scholarship awards are intended to assist students evidencing financial need and the desire to continue education or training.

Scholarship awards will vary in amount depending on funds allocated to the Vocational Scholarship Committee each year. As a general guideline, scholarships are in the amount of \$500 to \$1000 each.

1. The Vocational Scholarships are awarded to students enrolled in or who have been formally accepted into a full time approved vocational or technical program.
2. Scholarships are awarded primarily based on financial need.
3. Funds are to be used for tuition, equipment, or books and are sent directly to the college or training institution selected, to be credited to the student's account.

The following criteria is used to evaluate applicants:

- Financial need
- Completed application
- Written recommendation – May be written by an instructor or counselor
- Written essay – Content, grammar, spelling and neatness will be evaluated. The essay should be a one or two page in length and detail the goals and aspirations of the applicant
- Interview – Personal or telephone interview may occur
- Community service activities
- Residency – Must be a resident for at least two (2) years in Northern Santa Cruz County (zip codes 95019 and 95076 are not eligible for consideration)

Currently Qualified Vocational Programs:

- **Aviation Careers** – From Aircraft maintenance to career-oriented Pilot Training at Watsonville Airport, San Jose State, or Gavilan College
- **Automotive Technology** – Santa Cruz Regional Occupational Program conducted at Santa Cruz High School
- **Dental Assisting or Medical Assisting**– Santa Cruz Regional Occupational Programs conducted at Harbor High School
- **Cabrillo College** – Allied Health (*Dental Hygiene, Medical Assisting, Nursing, Radiologic Technology*); Engineering Technology; EMT/Fire Technology/Public Safety; Culinary Arts and Hospitality Management, Criminal Justice; Human Services, or Music/Theater Arts
- **Paramedic or EMT**— UEI College (Formerly ETS Inc.)

Applications for Rotary of Santa Cruz Vocational Scholarships are available through the various programs, instructors, financial aid offices, or by writing to the Rotary Club of Santa Cruz P.O. Box 497, Santa Cruz, 95061. Completed applications must be received postmarked by March 15 for our consideration and award decision April 30 of each year. Each Vocational Program will be awarded one, possibly two scholarships each year. Any questions regarding the vocational programs or the applications can be answered by calling Michael Harrison (831) 428-4524 or Charles Eldridge, M.D. (831) 425-7776.