

SANGAMON COUNTY  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY RESOURCES  
SCHOLARSHIP FOR LOW-INCOME COLLEGE ENTRIES (SLICE)  
Applications are also available online at <http://co.sangamon.il.us/departments/a-c/community-resources>

SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFYING CRITERIA

The Scholarship Committee for Community Services Block Grant Program recommends that scholarships be presented to select **GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS** based upon the following criteria:

1. Transcript
2. Accepted by an accredited Illinois College.
3. Applicants must have a B Average if enrolled in an area other than the areas listed below. Otherwise, your educational/training program must be in a designated area listed below as determined by local employment opportunities.

**2016 Approved Career Training Areas include:**

- Accounting
- Arch. and Construction Certificate or Degree
- Associate Nursing Degree
- Associate Radiography Degree
- Auto Body Repair Certificate
- Auto body Tech Degree
- Automotive Technician Certificate or Degree
- Aviation Airframe Tech Certificate
- Basic Nursing Assistant Certificate
- Biology
- Business Administration
- Business Degree
- CAD Technician Certificate
- CDN
- Certified Logistics Technician
- Certified Nurse Assistance
- Certified Production Technician
- Clinical Lab Science
- Commercial Electrical Maintenance Degree
- Communication
- Computer Technician Specialist Certificate
- Construction Occupation Certificate or Degree
- Criminal Justice
- Electrical Distribution Lineman Degree
- Electrical Distribution Lineman Maintenance Certificate
- END (Electroneurodiagnostic.Electroencephalographic Tech
- HVAC
- Internet Programming Certificate

- Leadership Certificate
  - Management
  - Medical Assisting Program
  - Networking Admin. or Tech.
  - Office Professional Degree
  - Phlebotomy Training
  - Registered Nurse
  - Respiratory Care Degree
  - Residential Construction
  - Surgical Tech.
  - Welding Specialist Certificate
3. Class Ranking
  4. ACT Test Score
  5. Written paragraph about your most rewarding experience
  6. Participation in extra-curricular activities
  7. Personal need (see income guidelines attached)
  8. Three letters of reference from teachers, ministers/priest/rabbi, and/or employers.  
**Letters must be on letterhead, signed and dated. Letters from friends, co-workers or acquaintances are not acceptable.**
  9. Full time student
  10. Maintain “C” average

#### **ALL CANDIDATES MUST**

1. Be residents of Sangamon County.
2. Demonstrate financial need.
3. Be accepted for full time enrollment at an accredited Illinois College, University, or vocational school. Applicants must have a B Average if enrolled in an area other than the areas listed below. Otherwise, your educational/training program must be in a designated area as determined by local employment opportunities listed below.
4. Complete the application process to determine eligibility
- 5.

#### **APPLICATION**

Candidates wishing to apply for scholarships must submit their applications to Sharmin Doering, CSBG Coordinator, 2833 S. Grand Ave. E. Springfield, IL 62703

#### **STEPS**

- 1. DUE DATE Tuesday, September 6, 2016**
2. First Interview (Determine eligibility)
3. Second Interview w/ Scholarship Committee (last week of September)
4. Award of Scholarship (last week of October)



**PLEASE COMPLETE ALL QUESTIONS ON APPLICATION.**

***THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE WILL NOT ACCEPT INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS.***

NAME OF **EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION** YOU PLAN TO ATTEND \_\_\_\_\_

**AREA OF CONCENTRATION, TRAINING OR MAJOR** \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF APPLICATION \_\_\_\_\_

ACCEPTANCE DATE \_\_\_\_\_ (attach copy of acceptance letter)

IN THE FALL YOU WILL BE (CHECK ONE)

\_\_\_\_ FRESHMAN    \_\_\_\_ SOPHOMORE    \_\_\_\_ JUNIOR    \_\_\_\_ SENIOR

**OR**

**YOU ARE CURRENTLY IN THE \_\_\_\_\_ MODULE OF YOUR TRAINING AND WILL FINISH TRAINING AND EXTERNSHIP BY \_\_\_\_\_.**

**BRIEFLY STATE YOUR CAREER PLANS FOR THE FUTURE.**

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**LIST ANY ACTIVITIES IN THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH YOU ARE INVOLVED.**

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**HOW DO YOU PLAN TO SUPPORT YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY, IF APPLICABLE, WHILE ATTENDING SCHOOL?**

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LIST OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS AND/OR GRANTS APPLIED FOR AND DATES APPLIED.

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	Annual Cost	Scholarships/Grants Received	Amount Needed
School Tuition			
Room & Board			
Books & Fees			
Total			

ATTACH LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION FROM THREE PERSONS ATTESTING TO YOUR CHARACTER AND DEPENDABILITY.

I HEARBY STATE THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

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Applicant's Signature Date

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Parents/Guardian Signature Date

I, the undersigned, give my permission to Sangamon County Community Resources to publish my name in the Sangamon County newspapers announcing my scholarship award from Community Resources.

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Applicant's Signature Date

**WRITE A PARAGRAPH ABOUT AN EXPERIENCE THAT YOU HAVE HAD WHICH HAS GIVEN YOU THE GREATEST PERSONAL SATISFACTION.**  
**(75 words or less)**

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**PROCEDURES**

1. Applications must be received in office by September 6, 2016.
2. You will be called to bring in the following information for first interview:
  - a. Photo ID
  - b. Social Security Cards for household
  - c. Income for last 90 days for household (Income guidelines below)
  - d. Any information missing from your application
3. Second Interview—Meet with Scholarship Committee—The interview time will be set at the first interview.
4. If you receive a scholarship an award letter will be sent by October 31, 2016 after approval by the Community Service Block Grant Advisory Board.

**2016 CSBG POVERTY INCOME GUIDELINES**

<u>Size</u>	<u>125% of Poverty Annual</u>	<u>125% Poverty 3 Months</u>
1	\$14,850.50	\$ 3,712.50
2	\$20,025.00	\$ 5,006.25
3	\$25,200.00	\$ 6,300.00
4	\$30,375.00	\$ 7,593.75
5	\$35,550.00	\$ 8,887.50
6	\$40,725.00	\$10,181.25
7	\$45,912.50	\$11,478.13
8	\$51,112.50	\$12,778.13

For families with more than 8 members, add \$4,160 for each additional member. At 125%, yearly amounts are increased by \$5,200.00 for each additional member.



