

2025 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



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SONORA ODD FELLOWS

Faithfully serving our community since 1853

APPLY TODAY!

Vocational Scholarship

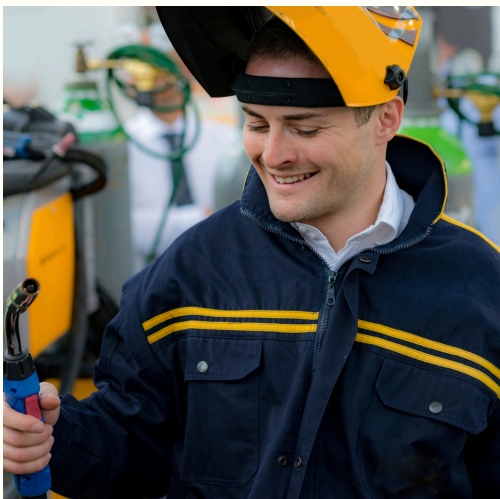
IOOF Sonora has supported youth education since its local beginnings in 1853. For years we have provided scholarships to graduating seniors going into the trades and skilled labor, as we recognize the critical need for these technical skills in our society. College is a great way to create a successful and fulfilling career--but it's not the only way. If you're a graduating senior looking to enter the trades, this scholarship is for you!

Turnaround Scholarship

IOOF Sonora has been a resource to the local community since 1853, with a focus on serving children, especially foster youth, and those experiencing hardships, including the sick and the elderly. We recognize that we don't all have the same opportunities & that we don't all have a toe on the same starting line. Some of us have challenges and obstacles that require significant effort to overcome that might make high school academics difficult. It's never too late to make changes and turn a new page. If you're a graduating senior with a plan for college or career and you've overcome some challenges and "turned it around," this scholarship is for you!



IOOF SONORA 2025 SCHOLARSHIPS



SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

For graduates pursuing a career in the trades/skilled labor. This scholarship requires the applicant to complete an application demonstrating their interest & financial needs. Although academic records are requested, their contents are not typically a reason for exclusion of consideration.

2 scholarships available- \$2,500 each

TURNAROUND SCHOLARSHIP:

For a graduate pursuing further education and who has encountered obstacles & challenges in their high school studies and managed to “turn it around.” Applicants must complete an application demonstrating their interest & financial needs. Although academic records are requested, their contents are not typically a reason for exclusion of consideration.

1 scholarship available- \$2,500

All applicants are required to attend a meet & greet at the lodge, at which the final decisions will be made. The date and details of the Meet & Greet will be sent to scholarship finalists.



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Return completed applications & transcripts by **March 14, 2025**

E-mail to: contact@ioofsonora.org or via USPS to:

Sonora Odd Fellows Foundation 10 W. Dodge Street Sonora, CA 95370

Name: _____ GPA: _____

Address: _____
City _____ Zip _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

Father: _____ Mother: _____
List caregivers/guardians if not living with father/mother

Father's Occupation: _____

Mother's Occupation: _____

Contact for parents/caregivers: _____

Scholarship applying for: Vocational ☐ Turnaround ☐

Applicants may use a separate sheet of paper to answer questions if desired.

**Please list the activities in which you participated while attending high school.
Include extra-curriculars (band, groups, committees, etc.), any employment you
held, volunteer work, and any hobbies you enjoy.**

Please tell us about your plans after high school, including how you intend to use the scholarship funds should you be selected.

Please tell us why you should be selected as a recipient of the scholarship you’re applying for (either Vocational or Turnaround). For Turnaround applicants- be sure to include the challenges/obstacles you have encountered, how you’ve turned things around, and what has helped you do so.

Please tell us how you became interested in this particular field/career path/course of education.

Please explain your financial needs to achieve your plans after high school.

MANDATORY MEET & GREET

IOOF Sonora develops connections with its scholarship recipients, and offers support beyond the initial scholarship to encourage success for recipients on their chosen path. Scholarship recipients are encouraged to reach out for help with tools, books, materials, or mentorship as the needs arise. **IOOF Sonora requires finalists to attend an informal meet and greet at the lodge to develop a face to face connection as well as to select recipients who value the work of community-based organizations.**

The meet and greet will be held between March 17 and April 01. Please list any days/times that you are not available so that we can ensure your participation.

If there are any other challenges with participation, such as transportation, please list below.
