



NORTHERN OHIO SERVICE DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

ABOUT THE NORTHERN OHIO SERVICE DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION

The Northern Ohio Service Directors Association (NOSDA) is a not-for profit organization formed in 1956 to promote professional development and collaboration among municipal officials who are responsible to manage and provide public services within local governments. These services include maintaining a community's infrastructure such as streets, water lines, sewers and roads; maintaining public facilities; and providing services such as snow removal, waste collection and recycling.

Our members include city service directors and public works directors from communities in Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake and Summit counties. Equipment suppliers and contractors also participate as vendor members. NOSDA raises money through membership fees and an annual golf outing which allows the organization to support various charitable organizations.

THE NOSDA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The NOSDA Scholarship Program was created to support the education of young people who aspire for careers in public service as well as for careers and trades related to public works. Up to three \$2,000 scholarships will be made available annually. The NOSDA Board of Directors reserves the right to give more or fewer awards, depending on the number and quality of the applications received.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for a NOSDA scholarship, applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Be the natural, adopted or step child or grandchild of a NOSDA municipal member in good standing who will act as the student's Sponsor
- Reside in the State of Ohio
- Be a graduating high school senior, or hold an equivalent level of education; or
- Be an undergraduate student currently enrolled in an accredited junior college, four-year college or university or trade school. Preference will be given to applicants studying for a career related to public works, public administration or related field



AWARD CRITERIA

The NOSDA Scholarship Committee will evaluate the scholarship applications on the following basis:

- **Academics = 50%**
 - ✓ Grade Point Average
 - ✓ Academic achievement, awards, and honors
 - ✓ Letter of recommendation from advisor
- **Community and Extracurricular Activities = 25%**
 - ✓ Extracurricular activities, employment, outside activities and volunteer work
 - ✓ Letter of recommendation from sponsor
- **Essay = 25%**
 - ✓ Clarity and organization of the work, grammar and punctuation, originality

SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES

May 1: Deadline to apply

May 15: Scholarship awards announced.

TO APPLY

- Complete the enclosed application
- Attach all documents requested, along with essay and letters of recommendation
- Sign, and have your sponsor sign, the application
- Mail (do not email) your application to the NOSDA Scholarship Contact indicated below by May 1. [Note: incomplete, late or illegible applications will not be reviewed]

NOSDA SCHOLARSHIP CONTACT

Please direct your questions and submit your application to the NOSDA Scholarship Contact:

Nick Bauccho, City of Bedford Heights
25401 Solon Road, Bedford Heights OH 44146
nickb@bedfordheights.gov (440) 232-8832



NOSDA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

1 Applicant Information

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| Full Name: | |
| Home Address: | |
| Telephone: | |
| Email: | |

2 Sponsoring NOSDA Member

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| Name: | |
| Address: | |
| Telephone: | |
| Email: | |
| Relationship to Applicant: | |

3 High School or Other Schooling Information

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| Name of School: | |
| Address: | |
| Faculty Advisor: | |
| Telephone: | |
| Email: | |
| Month/Year of Graduation | |



4 Secondary School/College/University Information

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| Name of School: | |
| Location: | |
| Planned Major or Study Area: | |

5 Academics

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| Current Grade Point Average | |
| Please attach the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current high school transcript if still in high school or college transcripts • A copy of your college/university acceptance letter | |

6 Community and Extracurricular Activities

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| <p>Please attach a resume describing employment and activities in which you have participated. Include the dates of participation, number of hours, the type of work involved, any offices held, and any awards won/earned. Examples include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extracurricular activities (e.g. student organizations, athletics, music, drama, military service) • Employment • Outside activities and volunteer work (e.g., scouting, church, local organizations, etc.) |
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7 Essay Question

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| <p>Please attach a one-page essay that answers the following:</p> <p>How do you see your college education shaping your future and your ability to make change in the world? What course of study do you plan to pursue? What do you hope to accomplish?</p> |
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8 Letters of Recommendation (2)

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| <p>Please attach a letter of recommendation from your sponsor and from your guidance counselor or academic advisor that includes your GPA.</p> |
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Signature of Applicant and Date:

Signature of NOSDA Sponsor and Date: