PURPOSE
The primary purpose of the Rotary Club of Pohnpei Scholarship is to encourage FSM citizens to pursue a post-highschool education. The scholarship is intended to provide financial assistance to individuals who demonstrate academic excellence and financial need to enable them to pursue educational goals and fulfill their potential.

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT
Scholarships are awarded in amounts up to $2,000. Awards will be distributed at the time of the award announcement.

ELIGIBILITY
1) Any FSM citizen who is a high school senior, or a currently enrolled college student, or high school (or GED) graduate, and is accepted to attend an accredited institution of higher education during the 2024-2025 school year as a full-time student will be considered.

2) Candidates must additionally possess a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale), or its equivalent, to be eligible for this scholarship.

3) Applicants must also affirmatively show the need for financial assistance in pursuing higher education.

4) At minimum, an applicant must have actively participated in at least one verifiable community service program within the past 12 months.

REQUIREMENTS
Applicants must timely submit the following to be considered:

1) Formal application (see application form attached), with all required documentation and letters of recommendation attached thereto. An application containing false, misleading, or incomplete information will be disqualified.

2) Educational Expenses and Financial Resources form (attached).

3) Three (3) letters of recommendation, preferably from teachers, counselors, school administrators, or religious leaders.

4) 2-page Essay (double spaced).

5) Proof of enrollment or acceptance at the applicable institution of higher education.

6) Copy of most recent transcript.

7) Copy of your FSM passport information page.

RECOMMENDED
Applicant should be an individual who has impressed fellow students, members of the faculty, and/or members of the community as a person who is deserving of a chance to continue his/her education with the demonstrated ability, industriousness, dependability, and determination to achieve his/her goals.

Applicant should show a true desire and ability to further his/her education and should be an active participant in school and/or church and/or community activities that ultimately contribute to the
betterment of his/her community.

Applicant should be an individual who plans to ultimately return to the FSM to live and work in his/her chosen profession.

APPLICATION DETAILS & DEADLINE:
To be considered, the Scholarship Committee must receive the application and all the requirements as listed above no later than July 15, 2024. The application form must be filled in completely and accurately. Please be aware that the Scholarship Committee will consider proper grammatical usage and spelling in all applications.

It is the applicant’s responsibility to ensure that the prospective educational institution completes and returns the attached Educational Expenses and Financial Resources form.

Please submit the application and all attachments in one package. The only exception is the transcript which may be sent separately.

Please remember that all mail service to/from Pohnpei can take two weeks or more, even within the FSM. Applicants should plan accordingly. Email filings are encouraged.

Please send the application and necessary plus all other required information to:

rotarypohnpeischolarships@gmail.com

Or send paper applications to:

Rotary Club of Pohnpei – Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 1861
Kolonia Pohnpei, FM 96941

REVIEW AND INTERVIEW
The Rotary Club of Pohnpei Scholarship Committee will review all applications. After a thorough review and assessment of each candidate’s application, the Scholarship Committee will select finalists.

When necessary, and in the sole discretion of the committee, candidates may be contacted for further information and/or interviews (which may be conducted in person or via telephone or video conference) prior to final selection.

FINAL SELECTION
Scholarship awards will be announced no later than August 15, 2024. For further information, please contact your school counselor, school financial-aid advisor, or the Rotary Club of Pohnpei.
PART I. GENERAL INFORMATION

Full Name: ________________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: __________________________________________________________

Residential Address: ________________________________________________________

E-mail: ___________________________ Contact number: __________________________

Date of Birth: ___________________________ Citizenship: _______________________

Marital Status:   ☐ Single    ☐ Married

If married, spouse’s name and age: ____________________________________________

List names and ages of each of your children:
________________________________________________________________________
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Please list the name, email address, and phone number of someone who will always be able to reach you.

Name: ___________________________ Relationship: _____________________________
Contact number: ___________________ Email address: _______________________

(COMPLETE THIS SECTION ONLY IF YOU ARE A STUDENT UNDER AGE 25.)

Father or Legal Guardian’s Full Name: __________________________________________

Father’s Employer and job position: ____________________________________________

Mother or Legal Guardian’s Full Name: __________________________________________

Mother’s Employer and job position: ____________________________________________
PART II. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Please list all household members and ages (use separate page if needed):
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Please list household members employed and their annual income (use separate page if needed):
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Does your family have any unusual or extraordinary expenses? (e.g., medical expenses)
Please explain:
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Your Tuition/Cost of attendance for SY 2024-2025: $______________________________

Have you received/applied for grants or scholarships for SY 2024-2025? Yes☐ No☐

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PART III. OBJECTIVES

Please answer the following:

The name and address of the school you plan to attend/are attending:

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Your intended major and minor fields of study:

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What career path do you envision pursuing after completing college?

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How will your field of study prepare you for that career path?

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Do you intend to transfer schools during this school year? Yes□ No□
If yes, please identify the name of the school to which you will be transferring and its address.

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When is your anticipated date of graduation? (Month and Year) _____________________

Please list the **name, title, phone number, and email address** of three people who will write letters of recommendation for you. These letters need to be sent directly to the Rotary Club Scholarship Committee. It is the applicant’s responsibility to ensure that these letters of recommendation are sent.

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ROTARY CLUB OF POHNPEI SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
School Year 2024-2025

On separate sheets, provide an essay answering the following question: How will a degree in your chosen field of study improve the Social, Civil, or Economic conditions in the FSM?

The scholarship committee will use your essay to assess your commitment towards continuous improvements in our communities and in the FSM. The essay should be approximately 2 pages, double spaced. Please attach it with this application.

HONORS & AWARDS/COMMUNITY SERVICE
Please list any honors and awards you have received (including any academic honors) and the date(s) you received them. (e.g., “PICS High School Honor Roll, 2014, 2015”)

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Describe any community or service projects in which you have participated.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED HERE IS TRUE, COMPLETE, AND ACCURATE.

Signed: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________
EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES FORM

(This form must be completed, signed, and returned by the prospective educational institution. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the educational institution completes and returns this form.)

Student Name & Address: _______________________________________________________
University Name & Address: _______________________________________________________

SECTION A. EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES

1. Student Tuition
   - Resident □ Non-Resident □ Other (specify) $_________________
2. Test fees, application fees, etc. (as required by the college): $_________________
3. Books, School, and Laboratory supplies $_________________
4. Room and Board per semester
   - Dormitory □ Off-Campus □ w/family $_________________
5. Health Insurance $_________________
6. Miscellaneous personal expenses (e.g., clothing, pocket money, uniforms, etc.): $_________________
7. Transportation expenses
   - Describe: $_________________

TOTAL EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES: $_________________

SECTION B. FINANCIAL RESOURCES

1. Pell Grant $_________________
2. Supplemental Educational Grant $_________________
3. Income from Work Study Program $_________________
4. Scholarships (describe) $_________________
5. Parental support $_________________
6. Spousal support $_________________
7. Loans (describe) $_________________
8. Other financial resource (describe) $_________________

TOTAL FINANCIAL RESOURCES $_________________

FINANCIAL NEED (total expenses less resources) $_________________

CERTIFICATION

(To be signed by the Counselor, Advisor or Financial Aid Officer who assisted in the preparation of this form.)

I have reviewed this form with the applicant and believe that the information is complete and accurate. The applicant is in good standing and accepted for admission to the accredited post-secondary institutional financial assistance programs from which he or she is eligible to receive funding.

PRINTED NAME, TITLE, & SIGNATURE ___________________________ DATE ________________

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