

Northwest Montana United Way

2025 Workforce Development Scholarship

Description:

These scholarships are to provide a path to working in the trade industry.

Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded to qualified individuals pursuing a career in any of the following fields: Construction, Plumbing, Electrical, Automotive, Industrial, Manufacturing, Welding or other similar positions.

Deadline: Completed application must be received at the United Way office by April 4th.

Eligibility:

- Open to 2025 High School Graduates (Early and Regular Date graduates accepted)
- Be a permanent resident of one of our five service area counties: Flathead, Glacier, Lake, Lincoln, Sanders
- Must have plans to pursue work in the above industries in one of our service areas
- Must have a minimum of a 3.0 GPA
- Must provide two letters of recommendations, one of which must be a high school level teacher. If homeschooled, one must be an unrelated individual with whom you have had an educational relationship. The other recommendation must come from an individual who can recommend you based on your work ethic through employment, athletics, volunteerism or family support.

Scholarship #1 – Educational Advancement within the Trades

\$500 towards tuition and/or supplies to a vocational college or training program. Program must be accredited. Example) FVCC's Welding and Fabrication Technology, CAS

- Scholarship will be paid directly to the institute, where you are enrolled, in Fall 2025,

Scholarship #2 – Trade Tools/Equipment Set-up

\$500 towards necessary tools, supplies and equipment required to begin an entry level position in the trade of choice. Example). Tool belt, tools and steel toed shoes.

Scholarship will be awarded to the recipient via gift card to the applicable store.

Required Documents:

- Application, attached
- Two Letters of Recommendation, can use attached form or equivalent
- High School Transcript, photocopies accepted

Mail to: Northwest Montana United Way
Attn: Scholarship Committee
1203 Hwy 2 West, Suite 52
Kalispell, MT 59901

Or Email to: director@unitedwaycares.org



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Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

High School Attended: _____

Plans after graduation: _____

Select a Scholarship you are seeking:

____ Scholarship #1 – Educational Advancement within the Trades

____ Scholarship #2 – Trade Tools/Equipment Set-up

Please describe yourself:

Please describe the job/position you hope to be in, in five years:

Names of References:

Educational: _____

Other: _____

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2025 Workforce Development Scholarship Application
Applicant Recommendation Form

Name of Applicant: _____

Name of Reference: _____

Please complete the short answer section below or attach a written letter addressing the questions below.

How do you know the applicant: (Reference may not be related to the applicant)

How long have you known this applicant? _____

Please provide a written reference for the applicant based on your educational, work, athletic, volunteer, social or other relationship. Please include the following:

- Why you think this applicant will become successful in a trade position
- Describe the work ethic, attitude and overall skill level of the applicant
- His/her ability to accept direction and guidance

Address of Reference: _____

Phone or Email: _____