

# Hearts of Gold Scholarship Program

## **Program Purpose:**

*The Hearts of Gold Scholarship Program exists to provide current Hearts of Gold Participants and their dependents with financial assistance for higher education.*

## **Program Guidelines:**

- **Who is eligible to apply?** Any current Hearts of Gold Participant or their immediate family member living in the same household with a financial need for assistance.
- **What type of education is eligible?** Scholarships may be used for tuition or books toward any post-secondary education institution to include universities, community colleges, or vocational/trade schools for the **2025-2026** school year.
- **How many scholarships are available?** Generally speaking, the Hearts of Gold Board will provide no more than five \$2,500 scholarships for **2025-2026** school year.

## **Program Requirements:**

This is a competitive scholarship application process. Applications must include the following:

- Essay not to exceed 2,000 words containing the following information:
    - Why the applicant believes they deserve this scholarship, to include the financial need.
    - How this scholarship will affect their future career opportunities, goals, and aspirations.
- Prior Hearts of Gold scholarship applicants may not submit the same essay from past years.***
- Any academic/community awards or recognition that the applicant has received.
  - Any community service or volunteerism in which the applicant is involved.
  - Applicant must have or have had a minimum of 3.0 cumulative GPA or equivalent.
  - Applicant must submit two letters of recommendation. Letters may not be from family members.

***Prior Hearts of Gold scholarship applicants may not submit the same LOR's from previous submissions and all LOR's must be dated within 6 months of submission.***

## **Recipient Requirements:**

Scholarship recipients will be required to adhere to the following. Failure to adhere to these guidelines will result in the recipient being ineligible to apply for future Hearts of Gold scholarships:

- Maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA for the classes paid for with the scholarship and provide grade reports to Hearts of Gold within the **2025-2026** school year.
- Scholarship must be used within the **2025-2026** school year and recipient must provide tuition/book receipts by **February 2026**.

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## **Application Process and Deadlines:**

- All applicants must submit application and all supporting documents using the following link:

## [Hearts of Gold 2025 Scholarship Application](#)

- Applications will be accepted from **February 12 - 26, 2025.**
- Recipients will be notified and scholarship funding provided no later than **April 11, 2025.**

The Hearts of Gold Board of Directors looks forward to continuing its mission of assisting Tucson Police Department members during times of financial need. For questions please contact Executive Director, Jamie Brady at [info@tucsonheartsofgold.org](mailto:info@tucsonheartsofgold.org) or **520-465-0375.**

