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Soroptimist International of La Grande

PO Box 3202
La Grande, OR 97850

PRO-TECH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Due by April 1st, 2024

Congratulations on your decision to empower yourself and improve your current life situation by attending a vocational or technical school or participate in a certificate program. Below is the list of criteria and qualifications that will be considered for this award:

- Must be a resident of UNION County, Oregon.
 - Must be either currently enrolled in or accepted to a technical or vocational program that requires up to two years of schooling. Certificate programs are also eligible. ***If you already hold a Bachelor's, Master's, or Doctoral degree in any area of study, you will not be qualified.***
 - Must have established career goals: Where do you hope this training to lead? Do you plan on pursuing further training in a related field once you have completed this training? Are you planning on using this training to further your contribution to your family and/or community?
 - Must have evidence of community service: This could involve volunteering in your church, clubs, school, etc. **As a service organization, this quality is important to us.**
 - Must establish financial need: This award is to ensure that all residents of Union County are able to improve their lives regardless of their circumstances.
 - Be sure to include relevant details about yourself: what situations have led to your decision to pursue this education, obstacles you've overcome or are currently facing, etc.
 - Must provide two (2) references: one of your character (from an employer, volunteer organization, teacher, etc) and one of a personal nature (friend, peer, or family member). References must use the form available at: <https://lagrandesoroptimist.org/applications/scholarship-applications/>
- NOTE: These must be submitted along with your application in separate unopened envelopes!**

Important details to note:

- All applications must be received by **April 1st, 2024.**
- **Provide 5 copies of application materials, except for the sealed reference letters.**
- A personal interview may be requested as part of the application process.
- Applications will be reviewed, and award recipient will be notified by **May 1, 2024.**
- All other applicants will receive written notice no later than **May 1, 2024.**
- Award winner may be required to assist at our June Breakfast on the first Sunday in June, and/or speak at the Festival of Trees Gala on the evening of December 6, 2024.

If you have any questions, need additional information, or want to arrange delivery of completed application packet, please contact:

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Professional Technical Scholarship Application
Mail To: **PRO-TECH Scholarship**
c/o Soroptimist International of La Grande
P.O. Box 3202
La Grande, OR 97850

Application must be received by mail or hand-delivered by April 1st, 2024

Applicant Information:

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

High School to graduate from: _____ Date of graduation: _____

Technical, Vocational, or Certification Program Information:

Name of School and Program: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Contact Person at Program to verify acceptance and/or current enrollment:

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email address: _____

Cost of Training: Tuition: _____ Books: _____ Materials: _____

Room and Board _____ Other (specify): _____

How do you plan to pay for expenses that exceed this award?

Have you applied for or been awarded other grants and scholarships to pay for this training? If so, please list them: _____

Work Experience:

Are you currently employed? If so, please provide contact information:

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Supervisor name: _____

How long have you worked for this employer? _____

Past Employment: Please list prior employment below, if applicable:

Employer: _____ Job Title: _____

Dates of employment: _____ Job duties: _____

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Volunteer and Community involvement (Please list any additional on a separate paper):

Organization name: _____ Contact person: _____

Your role: _____ Dates of involvement _____

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Personal Data:

Career goals related to this training: _____

How will you use this award? _____

Please indicate other consideration for need of financial assistance: _____

What is your story?

Tell us about yourself, your dreams, obstacles you have overcome, where you see your path leading you, and what educating yourself can do to improve your current situation (attach separate page, if necessary): _____

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED HEREIN IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND EXPECTATIONS.

Signature _____ **Date** _____