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The Salvation Army East Stroudsburg Corps
Scholarship Committee
226 Washington Street
East Stroudsburg, PA 18301

THE SALVATION ARMY EAST STROUDSBURG IRENE CRAMER COMMUNITY SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES AND APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

➤ **Background:**

Through the generosity of the Irene Cramer Trust Fund, The Salvation Army awards community service scholarships to eligible Monroe County students each year. The number of scholarships awarded, and the amount of each scholarship varies from year to year based upon available funding. Typically, The Salvation Army awards a total of \$50,000 annually to deserving students.

If selected, you'll be notified by mid-April, and invited to attend an award reception. The scholarship awards are paid directly to the recipient's postsecondary institution in a single payment in late July or early August 2025. Please keep us advised of any changes in your student status or identification number so that we can ensure that the award gets accurately credited to your institution's student account.

➤ **General Eligibility Requirements:**

If you are a student residing in Monroe County, PA, with a family income below 300% of the 2024 Federal Poverty Guidelines (included on page 5), and a strong history of community service, you can apply for a Salvation Army Community Service Scholarship. You must be currently enrolled or planning to attend an accredited post-secondary undergraduate college, university, community college, or career school in the upcoming academic year.

➤ **Scholarship Application Instructions:**

Carefully read and complete the written application. The completed application (and all supporting materials) must be received before the deadline. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

The completed application must be *received* by the Salvation Army no later than **Friday, March 28, 2025**. The Salvation Army is not responsible for delays in mail delivery.

To avoid missing the deadline, we strongly encourage applicants to submit their completed application by email to < jason.lesh@use.salvationarmy.org >. Applications may also be hand delivered or mailed to The Salvation Army Attn: Scholarship Committee 226 Washington Street in East Stroudsburg, PA 18301.

If you have questions about the application, contact The Salvation Army at (570) 421-3050.



**THE SALVATION ARMY EAST STROUDSBURG
IRENE CRAMER COMMUNITY SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP**

This application must be **received** by The Salvation Army at 226 Washington Street in East Stroudsburg, PA 18301 **on or before March 28, 2025.**

Personal Information

Applicant's Name: _____
(Last) (First) (MI)

Name of Parent or Guardian: _____
(Last) (First) (MI)

Applicant's Address: _____
(Street) (APT#)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Do you reside in Monroe County, PA? Yes No

Cell Phone: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Other Phone: _____ Email: _____

Refer to the attached federal poverty guidelines. Is your aggregate gross household income:
 Higher than 300% of the federal poverty guidelines **OR**
 Lower than 300% of the federal poverty Guidelines.

Education Information

Date or Intended Date of Graduation
Or Date of Receipt of G.E.D: _____
(Month) (Year)

Name of High School or Institution Awarding G.E.D _____

I will be attending. _____
(Name of Accredited College/University/Trade School)

(Address of Accredited College/University/Trade School)

Intended Course of Study at the Accredited
College/University/Trade School: _____

Service Organization(s) I Intend to Participate in: _____

Extracurricular Activities and Honors

High School Extracurricular Activities:

Document # of Years and
of Hours of Participation

Community Interests and Services:

Document # of Years and
of Hours of Participation

Honors Received:

Year(s)

Essay

Please write up to a **500** word essay explaining the benefits you have derived from doing community service. Your essay should detail your prior and current community service and should explain your plans for future community service while you are enrolled in your postsecondary school. Attach additional pages as necessary.

Letters of Recommendation

You must include at least **two (2)** letters of recommendation, one (1) from a teacher or academic advisor and one (1) from a community service organization advisor. List the contact information below for each letter of recommendation.

Name	Address	Phone #

Certification

Complete the following checklist and sign where indicated below before submitting your application.

- I have completed and signed this application.
- I have attached at least two (2) letters of recommendation.
- I have attached my most recent transcript.
- My aggregate net household income is less than 300% of current federal poverty guidelines
- I am eligible for this scholarship because I satisfy **all** of the following:
 - I am a resident of Monroe County, PA
 - I have or will have a high school diploma or G.E.D. this school year
 - I intend to enroll/or are enrolled in a full-time post-secondary educational institution in the upcoming academic year

My signature below certifies that all of the information I provided in this application is true and complete and I will accept the decision of The Salvation Army as final.

My signature below also grants The Salvation Army and those acting under its authority the right to record on film, tape, photo, or otherwise release my name, likeness, biography, composition, and actions. I acknowledge that my information may be edited as desired by The Salvation Army and used in perpetuity within any medium for the purposes of promotion and publicity in connection with The Salvation Army. I understand that I waive the right to inspect or approve any such use and forgo any compensation.

(Signature of Applicant)

(Date of Application)

2024 Annual Federal Poverty Guidelines

48 Contiguous States and DC

Household size	100%	300%
1	\$15,060	\$45,180
2	\$20,440	\$61,320
3	\$25,820	\$77,460
4	\$31,200	\$93,600
5	\$36,580	\$109,740
6	\$41,960	\$125,880
7	\$47,3410	\$142,020
8	\$52,720	\$158,160
For each additional person, add	\$5,380	\$16,140