

Scholarship Applications Available

There are five \$1,000 Local 80 Scholarships available. These grants may be used for any formal education after high school. The applicant does not have to declare a major to receive a grant from Local 80; they just have to be accepted into any college or university, in the U.S. or abroad.

Local 80 accepts scholarship applications from the children of members in good standing, from members in good standing, and from the spouses of members in good standing.

Application forms and information are available for download on Local 80's website, or Local 80's Secretary-Treasurer will mail application forms and information upon request.

Application forms and ancillary documents must be received by Local 80 by September 30, 2010.

I.A.T.S.E. Local 80 Scholarship Application

Name of relative who is a Local 80 member _____

Relationship (to you) _____

Your Name _____

Age _____ Telephone _____

Social Security Number _____

Address _____

Last School Attended _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

G.P.A. _____

Intended College or University _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Contact _____

I UNDERSTAND THAT ALL MATERIALS SUBMITTED IN CONNECTION WITH THE APPLICATION FOR A LOCAL 80 SCHOLARSHIP BECOME THE PROPERTY OF LOCAL 80 AND WILL NOT BE RETURNED.

Signature _____ Date _____

Postmarked _____ Relation Rank _____ G.P.A. _____
(THIS LINE TO BE FILLED IN BY LOCAL 80) *(THIS LINE TO BE FILLED IN BY LOCAL 80)*

Semester Start Date _____ Year _____
(Fill this in) (Sophomore, Post-grad...?)

Declared Major _____ Minor _____
(If none, leave blank) (If none, leave blank)

Here is your application packet for Local 80's scholarship grants. Read it through *carefully*, and only then fill in the required information, provide all of the records we ask for, and return it your completed application and ancillary documents to us by Certified Mail postmarked by September 30, 2010. Your ability to accurately follow instructions will be considered as your first test. Any omissions will result in denial of your request. (This does not include "Intended College or University" information – if you haven't been accepted by a school yet, leave those lines blank.) Be legible.

You are competing for one of 5 (five) grants that may be awarded based on applications received during the year 2010. They are of two types:

- A) \$1,000 grants for the children of Local 80 members.
- B) \$1,000 grants for Local 80 members or their spouses who are returning to school.

You must provide Local 80 with sealed copies of your G.P.A. and school records.

Now for the interesting part. Since the men and women of Local 80 have decided to offer a chance to receive these grants to you, and because these moneys come from their union wages, the Scholarship Committee wants to understand what that means to you. An essay of not less than 1,000 words will be required from you describing an aspect of unionism. The field of topics is wide open. You might describe an historical moment or a current reality. You could discuss the economic impact of wages and benefits and what those mean to society. Dig into it. Movies have been made about union struggles. Political regimes have collapsed because unions stood up for themselves. The historical record is full of instances of unions shaping society. Some of it good. Some of it bad. Get angry at an abuse, wherever it may be. Prove to us that you have a grasp on what unions are and what they can do. Prove to us that you know a union is more than a paper card in your parent's wallet.

You must write thoughtfully, support your arguments and come to a conclusion, good or bad. Be brief. Think of a moment, not and era.

Your essay must be anonymous and without indication of your race or gender. If your identity (or the identity of your relative in Local 80) can be deduced by reading your essay, it will be disqualified. We want to know what you think, not who you are. Put your best effort into this essay. We receive many more requests for grants than the five that we can afford to offer. Your grant will be awarded based on this essay.

Scholarship applications will be accepted by Local 80 by Certified mail only. The postmark date will be the application submission date. We recommend that you request a return receipt.

Mail to:

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
IATSE LOCAL 80
2520 W OLIVE AVE ST STE 200
BURBANK CA 91505-4529

All materials submitted to Local 80 will become the property of Local 80, and will not be returned.

The payment of all grants will be made directly to their winners' schools.

We are looking forward to your essay. Be thoughtful, think brevity and good luck!
The Local 80 Scholarship Committee

Whether you are embarking on a new academic career, or are finishing up your post-grad work, the officers, staff, and membership of Local 80 wish only the best for you.

We understand that any process can be a bit baffling if you are unfamiliar with it. With that in mind, here are the answers to some of the most commonly asked questions about the application form and the selection process:

Q1: "I have several relatives who are Local 80 members: which one should I name on my application - or should I list them all?"

A: Local 80 accepts scholarship applications from the children of members, from members, and from the spouses of members. In the event of a tie on the other criteria, these applications would be selected in that same order: Children of members; members; spouses of members. Pick the relative that will put you highest in that rank.

Q2: "Why does Local 80 need my Social Security Number?"

A: There are two reasons: the number is used to link a grant to the student for whom it is intended when payment is made to a school, and Local 80 uses it in filing payment information.

Q3: "I took a trade class at my local community college this summer: should I put that down as my last school attended?"

A: No; your high school, junior college or college is what we need to know. If you've taken trade courses, however, a note telling us about them certainly couldn't hurt.

Q4: "What does 'Relationship Rank' mean, and why is it going to appear on my application?"

A: Your "Relationship Rank" is the order in which your application would be considered in the event that it was tied in all other criteria with another application. *See Q1.*

Q5: "What is the point of writing an anonymous essay when you have my name and my relative's name on my application?"

A: When your application form, essay, and records are delivered by Certified Mail to Local 80, they don't go directly to the Scholarship Committee. They are first given a preliminary screening by the Secretary-Treasurer, who checks to see that all of the items that the Scholarship Committee requires are actually there and that all of the

required information on the application form has been provided. If so, the application is then prepared by the Secretary-Treasurer for review by the Committee.

The Secretary-Treasurer makes copies of the first page of your essay and of the lower portion of your application (the part below the "Do Not Separate" line.) Those are affixed to the outside of an otherwise unmarked envelope, into which all of the materials you have submitted are then sealed. Photocopies of your anonymous essay are presented to the scholarship committee for consideration.

If there are still more candidates than available grants after the committee finishes their initial screening, the Secretary-Treasurer opens the remaining contenders' envelopes and, after eliminating all identifying information, presents copies of the applicants' school records to the committee for a secondary screening.

This multi-stage process keeps the expense of processing applications to a minimum, thereby allowing more money to be utilized for the actual scholarship grants.

Q6: "If I qualify for a grant, why does Local 80 pay my school instead of paying me directly?"

A: There is less record-keeping, and are fewer tax obstacles, involved in making payment directly to qualified academic institutions.

Q8: "It is going to take time to get copies of my school records - can I file my application now, and supply the records later?"

A: No.