CASH FOR COLLEGE

Local Scholarships 2024-2025

A listing of scholarships available to students in Yavapai County pursuing their educational goals.

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Yavapai College
This year marks our ninth annual Cash for College. The focus of the event remains the same: informing students about the opportunities for financial support in pursuing their educational goals. Whether you are attaining a secondary education at a university, community college, career/technical school, or are returning to school after a pause in your education, many opportunities await you!

We know you have a lot to think about as you plan your next steps. We hope you use this resource as you apply to colleges and career/technical schools. Keep the search going with platforms like College Board, FastWeb, and Unigo, and never use a scholarship service that requires you to pay. Good luck as you apply for scholarships!

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SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR EVENT SPONSORS:

Yavapai Prescott Indian Tribe
C. Derk Janssen Memorial Scholarship
Open to a Prescott High School graduate. Possible majors are English, environmental studies, and political science.

Award amount: $2,000
Deadline: March 1, 2024
To apply: Visit the ACF website. Email Lisa Sahady for more information.

Courtney Lee Wagner Memorial Scholarship
Open to students at Prescott High School who demonstrate compassion for others through their actions. Staff and faculty at PHS are encouraged to send nominations.

Award amount: $2,000
Deadline: April 15, 2024
To apply: PHS faculty and staff can request an application from Meghan Anderson at the PHS Advisement Office.

Denise Bussart-Walker Scholarship
Open to Prescott High School graduating seniors who plan to attend a two-year college, four-year college, or technical/vocational program. Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher and financial need will be considered.

Award amount: $1,000
Deadline: May 1, 2024
To apply: Contact Meghan Anderson at the PHS Advisement Office or visit the PUSD Education Foundation website.

Dr. Kenneth and Iris Walker Scholarship
Open to a Prescott High School graduating senior who has an interest in pursuing post-secondary studies that will lead to a career in teaching and have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or greater. Financial need will be considered.

Award amount: $1,000
Deadline: May 1, 2024
To apply: Contact Meghan Anderson at the PHS Advisement Office or visit the PUSD Education Foundation website.

Dr. Wayne E. Beck University of Arizona Scholarship
Open to Prescott High School students who have been accepted and plan to attend the University of Arizona. Applicant must have cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher.

Award amount: Two $2,000 scholarships available
Deadline: March 1, 2024
To apply: Visit the ACF website. Email Lisa Sahady for more information.
Gheral Brownlow Memorial Track Scholarship
Open to any Prescott High School graduate who participated in track and field or cross country. A letter of recommendation from a teacher is a requirement of the application.

Award amount: $1,000
Deadline: March 1, 2024
To apply: Visit the ACF website. Email Lisa Sahady for more information.

Judge Rosenblatt Scholarship
Open to law school students at the University of Arizona who graduated from Prescott High School.

Award amount: $1,000
Deadline: March 1, 2024
To apply: Visit the ACF website. Email Lisa Sahady for more information.

Prescott High School Alumni Half Century Club Scholarship
Open to any Prescott High School graduate who will continue their education within one year. A letter to the scholarship committee is a requirement of the application.

Award amount: Up to $1,000
Deadline: March 31, 2024
To apply: Visit the ACF website. Email Lisa Sahady for more information.

Prescott High School Parent Teacher Student Association Scholarship
Available to Prescott High School seniors who complete the application and essay.

Award amount: $750
Deadline: April 1, 2024
To apply: Visit the Prescott High School Advisement Office for more information.

Prescott Unified School District Education Foundation Scholarship
Open to Prescott High School graduating seniors. Available to students planning to attend a two-year, four-year college, or technical/vocational program. GPA of 3.0 or higher. Financial need will be considered.

Award amount: $500
Deadline: May 1, 2024
To apply: Contact Meghan Anderson at the PHS Advisement Office or visit the PUSD Education Foundation website.
Camp Verde Healing Arts Scholarship
Open to Camp Verde High School graduates to support their pursuit of a degree in veterinary sciences or medical sciences.
Award amount: Starting at $2,000
Deadline: March 1, 2024
To apply: Visit the ACF website.

Dr. Jay Fleishman Memorial Scholarship
Offered via the Fleishman Foundation, this opportunity is open to 2024 high school graduates from accredited public, charter, and private schools in the Cottonwood, Camp Verde, and Cornville areas. Applicants must be in the top 25% of their class and planning to attend an accredited community college or four-year college/university. Financial need is considered.
Award amount: $500 per semester, up to $4,000 over four years
Deadline: March 31, 2024
To apply: View more information on this Fleishman Foundation PDF.

Northern Arizona Scholarship Fund
Open to graduates of Mingus Union High School who has either received a scholarship from the Northern Arizona Fund of Mingus Connection in Cottonwood, AZ when they were a senior, plan to attend a two-year, four-year, or vocational school, have a minimum 3.0 GPA, demonstrate financial need, and/or submit a personal statement on the ACF application.
Award amount: $3,000
Deadline: April 1, 2024
To apply: Visit the ACF website. Email Brenda Moons for more information.

Rotary Club of the Verde Valley Academic Scholarship
Open to any 2024 high school graduate from a Verde Valley high school or home schooled in the Verde Valley, not including Sedona. Applicants must be in the top 25% of their class and plan to attend a four-year college/university. Financial need is considered.
Award amount: $500 per semester, up to $4,000 over four years
Deadline: March 31, 2024
To apply: Download the Rotary Club of the Verde Valley PDF or email the Rotary Club.
Rotary Club of the Verde Valley Vocational Scholarship
Supports Mingus Union High School graduates who plan to attend a vocational program at a technical/vocational school or community college for any vocational associate degree or career/technical certification program.

Award amount: Up to $3,000
Deadline: Ongoing
To apply: Download the Rotary Club of the Verde Valley PDF or email the Rotary Club.

PREScott

Forrest Scholarship for Prescott Students
Open to any graduating senior from a public high school in Prescott who demonstrates financial need to pursue their secondary education at a two-year college, four-year college, or technical/vocational program.

Award amount: Starting at $1,000
Deadline: March 1, 2024
To apply: Visit the ACF website. Email Lisa Sahady for more information.

PREScott VaLeY

Frank Oxborrow Memorial Youth Community Service Scholarship
Available to students attending an accredited vocational school or for enrollment at a college or university.

Award amount: Two $1,000 scholarships available
Deadline: April 20, 2024
To apply: Email the Prescott Valley Lions Club for the scholarship application or for more information.

Prescott Valley Chamber of Commerce Scholarship
Offered to a graduating senior from a Prescott Valley school or who lives in Prescott Valley.

Award amount: $1,000
Deadline: April 19, 2024
To apply: Visit the Chamber’s website for more information or email Marnie Uhl for an application.
Democratic Women of Prescott Area Scholarship
Open to any graduating high school senior from the Quad Cities area who is a registered Democrat (if 18-years-old) or has one parent or grandparent who is a registered Democrat, or is a DACA student. Students are asked to submit an essay on the topic “How I Would Change the World.”

Award amount: $1,000
Deadline: March 15, 2024
To apply: Email the College Scholarship Committee or visit the Democratic Women of Prescott website for more information.

Elizabeth Ruffner Scholarship
Offered via the League of Women Voters of Central Yavapai County, this scholarship is awarded to a graduating Yavapai County Quad-Cities public high school senior. Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5, be a citizen of the US and intend to continue their education post high school.

Award amount: $1,000
Deadline: April 12, 2024
To apply: Email the League of Women Voters of Central Yavapai County.

Findlay Auto Group Educational Endowment Scholarship
This scholarship is open to all graduating seniors in the Quad Cities area who will attend Yavapai College. Applicants need to demonstrate academic excellence, leadership skills, and a dedication to the community.

Award amount: $1,000
Deadline: March 1, 2024
To apply: Visit the ACF website. Email Lisa Sahady for more information.

Ira & Mary Lou Fulton Moral & Ethical Leadership Scholarship
Via the Brigham Young University Management Society Prescott Chapter, this opportunity is open to students who will be attending any college or university full-time in the fall of 2024. Students must be from Prescott, Prescott Valley, or Chino Valley. Two essays and two letters of recommendation are required.

Award amount: $500 - $1,000
Deadline: April 1, 2024
To apply: Visit the BYU Prescott Chapter website. For more information email the Prescott Chapter.
Kiwanis Club of Prescott Community Service Scholarship
Open to any student with community service experience and has a written explanation of their views on the importance of community service and volunteerism.

Award amount: Minimum of $1,000
Deadline: April 14, 2024
To apply: Visit the Kiwanis Club of Prescott website.

Lt. Colonel Lynne Holliday/Captain James McInerny Scholarship
Offered via the Lonesome Valley Company of the Arizona Rangers, this scholarship is open to any graduating senior from Prescott High School or Bradshaw Mountain High School. The scholarship considers, but is not solely limited to, relatives of first responders as well as to those individuals who have a background in volunteering and community service. Student should have good moral character, have a mind for their community, and intend to have a major focus on public service.

Award amount: Single award of $1,000 per school
Deadline: March 20, 2024
To apply: Email Ranger King for a scholarship application or more information.

Mingus Mountain Law Group Scholarship
Open to a graduating senior from BASIS school, Prescott High School, Bradshaw Mountain High School, Chino Valley High School, Tri-City College Prep High School, or AAEC Prescott Valley who is interested in studying law.

Award amount: $2,000
Deadline: March 1, 2024
To apply: Visit the ACF website. Email Lisa Sahady for more information.

My Kids’ Dentist Scholarship
Open to a graduating senior in the Quad-Cities area. Applicants must create and submit an original oral health project or promotion. Please keep written material under 300 words and audio/visual material under three minutes.

Award amount: $1,000 to the student and $250 to the student’s club or team of choice
Deadline: April 14, 2024
To apply: Visit the My Kids’ Dentist website or email My Kids’ Dentist for more information.
Prescott Palette Scholarship
Offered via El Gato Azul and Gato Community Gives, this opportunity is for students who possess a strong desire to pursue additional education in all areas with an emphasis on culinary, visual, or performing arts, and writing/communication. Candidates may be enrolled part or full-time in a college-level program with an emphasis on the above.

Award amount: $250 - $5,000  
Deadline: February 28, 2024  
To apply: Email Barry Barbe.

St. Luke’s Episcopal Church Educational Scholarship
Offered to a graduating high school senior in the Quad Cities area. Student must have applied to and have plans to attend an accredited college/university or career/technical school after high school graduation. A cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher is required for the trade school application and a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher is required for the college application. Up to three scholarships will be awarded each year.

Award amount: $1,000 (three scholarships available)  
Deadline: March 9, 2024  
To apply: Visit the St. Luke Episcopal Church website or contact Trampus Tribbey at 928.533.4964 for more information.

SEDONA & THE VERDE VALLEY

Helen Wolfe Scholarship
Open to a female who is a permanent resident of the Verde Valley. The student must have already been accepted to an accredited academic or career/technical institution, be a reentering student whose education has been interrupted, and exhibit financial need and academic merit.

Award amount: Up to $3,500  
Deadline: April 1, 2024  
To apply: Visit the Sedona Women website. For more information, contact Becky Griffin.

Lillian & Gordon Macgregor Scholarship Fund of Sedona
Supports tuition and books for all physical medical fields such as nurses, physical therapists, doctors, technicians, etc. for greater Sedona residents to attend colleges, public and private, in or out of state.

Award amount: $1,500 to $5,600. Possible renewal up to four years.  
Deadline: April 1, 2024  
To apply: Visit the ACF website. Email Brenda Moons for more info.
**One Person Can Change the World Scholarship**
Available to a Verde Valley resident with a social service idea that will make a difference in our community.

Award amount: $500 - $1,000  
Deadline: December 31, 2023 and June 30, 2024  
To apply: Contact Angie Lozano at 928.301.2169

**Pat Marr Memorial Scholarship for Vocational Excellence**
Open to students of all ages from Sedona or the Verde Valley for enrollment in a career/technical education program. A GPA of 2.5 or higher is required and preference is given to those with community involvement.

Award amount: $1,000 - $2,000  
Deadline: March 15, 2024  
To apply: Visit the ACF website. Email Brenda Moons for more information.

**Pathway to Careers: a Sedona/Verde Valley Career and Technical Education Scholarship**
Open to a high school or GED graduate from Sedona/the Verde Valley pursuing a career/technical education. A GPA of 2.5 or higher is required, and community involvement and an essay will be considered. Preference is given to students currently employed with a nonprofit, business entity, or governmental agency in Sedona/the Verde Valley.

Award amount: Multiple awards, with amounts ranging from $2,000 - $5,000  
Deadline: Awarded quarterly  
To apply: Visit the ACF website. Email Brenda Moons for more information.

**University Women of Sedona Scholarship**
The University Women of Sedona Scholarship is open to a female student who is a permanent resident of northern Arizona and is attending Northern Arizona University, Coconino Community College, or Yavapai College at the Verde Valley or Sedona campus. The student must have a GPA of 3.5 or higher and show financial need.

Award amount: $1,450 (full time student); $800 - $1,100 (part-time student)  
Deadline: April 1, 2024  
To apply: Visit the University Women of Sedona website. Email Debbie Nellis, Ed.D. or call 954.803.6992 for more information.
Bill Fain Memorial Scholarship
Open to a high school student in Yavapai County who has been accepted and will be attending the University of Arizona, while majoring in agriculture, finance, or economics.

Award amount: $2,000
Deadline: March 1, 2024
To apply: Visit the ACF website. Email Lisa Sahady for more information.

Gladys Gardner Scholarship for Prospective or Displaced Teachers
Available to qualified applicants who plan to teach in a K-12 position in Yavapai County. The scholarship is open to high school students, undergraduates enrolled in a teaching position, as well as to displaced teachers who need additional coursework to stay in their positions.

Award amount: Starting at $2,000
Deadline: March 2, 2024
To apply: Visit the Gardner Family Teacher Scholarships website, email Jenn Nelson, or call 928.442.5138 for more information.

James A. Fortmann Scholarship
Open to all Yavapai County high school graduates who will be attending an Arizona community college, vocational school, or university. Requirements include: GPA of 2.5 or higher, US citizen, majoring in commercial art, fine art, art education, or art history, and have financial need.

Award amount: Starting at $2,500
Deadline: March 1, 2024
To apply: Visit the ACF website. Email ACF’s Scholarship Team for more information.

Javus B. Fortmann Scholarship
Open to all Yavapai County high school graduates who will be attending an Arizona community college or university. Requirements include: GPA of 2.5 or higher, pursuing a major in education, and have financial need.

Award amount: Starting at $2,500
Deadline: March 1, 2024
To apply: Visit the ACF website. Email ACF’s Scholarship Team for more information.
**Mabel Frank Scholarship**
Open to graduating high school seniors and adults returning to school who have been accepted by a postsecondary institution accredited by the US Department of Education. High school graduates need a GPA of 2.0 or higher. Applicants need to demonstrate financial need.

Award amount: Up to $2,000 (multiple awards available)
Deadline: March 1, 2024
To apply: Visit the Trinity Presbyterian Church Prescott website or email the Trinity Presbyterian Church Prescott for more information.

**Mountain Artists Guild**
Open to any Yavapai County graduating senior or current associate or bachelor’s candidate seeking a degree relating to the visual arts. Applicants must have a current portfolio of visual artwork to submit with application.

Award amount: $500 to $1,000
Deadline: May 1, 2024
To apply: Visit the Mountain Artists Guild website or email Kimberly Hart for more information.

**P.E.O. Scholarships for Women**
Six P.E.O. Scholarships for Women are available. All applicants need to be recommended for a scholarship by one of the local chapters.

Award amount: Award amounts vary by scholarship.
Deadline: Scholarship deadlines vary.
To apply: Visit the P.E.O. website. For more information and to connect to a local P.E.O. Chapter, contact Cheryl Todd.

**Prescott Western Heritage Keeper Student Scholarship**
Open to students between the ages of 16 – 21 years who have residency in Yavapai County, even though they may be studying somewhere else. Students must qualify under specific criteria that exemplify Western heritage.

Award amount: Up to $2,000
Deadline: September 1, 2024
To apply: Visit the Prescott Western Heritage Foundation website to apply and for more information.

**The Rotary Vocational Fund of Arizona**
Open to any Yavapai County student who will be attending vocational training and demonstrates financial need.

Award amount: One-time grant up to $2,000
Deadline: Rolling deadline
To apply: Visit the Rotary Vocational Fund of Arizona website. Contact Robert Keys at 562.505.8305 for more information.
**Street Dream Scholarship**
Open to graduating high school seniors and adults returning to college who have been accepted by a community college accredited by the US Department of Education. Preference will be given to students entering public services careers. High school graduates need a GPA of 2.0 or greater.

- **Award amount:** Up to $2,000 (multiple awards given)
- **Deadline:** March 1, 2024
- **To apply:** Visit the Presbyterian Church Prescott website or email the Presbyterian Church Prescott for more information.

**Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Grant Funding**
Offered by Northern Arizona Council of Governments (NACOG), this opportunity is available to residents of Yavapai County per application process.

- **Award amount:** Up to $6,000
- **Deadline:** Available year-round
- **To apply:** Visit the Yavapai@Work website. For more information contact 928.778.1442 (Prescott) or 928.649.6868 (Cottonwood).

**Yavapai Symphony Association Music Scholarship**
Open to graduating high school seniors who will be enrolled in an accredited institution of higher learning as a music-related major. All applicants must submit a 15-minute audition video.

- **Award amount:** Award amounts vary by scholarship.
- **Deadline:** March 15, 2024
- **To apply:** Visit the Yavapai Symphony website for the scholarship application. Email The Symphony for more information.

**STATEWIDE**

**Arizona Community Foundation Scholarships**
The online application for ACF’s scholarships will open January 2024. Through ACF’s online system, high school seniors and college students alike complete one application and are automatically matched with every scholarship opportunity for which they qualify.

- **Award amount:** Award amounts vary by scholarship.
- **Deadline:** Scholarship deadlines vary, apply early to maximize opportunities!
- **To apply:** Visit the ACF website.

**Arizona State University Scholarships**
Arizona State University offers a variety of scholarships for students who plan to attend ASU.

- **Award amount:** Award amount varies by scholarship.
- **Deadline:** Priority November 1, 2023
- **To apply:** Visit the ASU website for more information.
Dorrance Scholarship Program
Open to seniors who are Arizona residents; graduating from a public, private, charter, or home school who will be the first generation in their family to attend Arizona State University, (Tempe), Northern Arizona University (Flagstaff) or University of Arizona (Tucson); meet academic requirements, demonstrate financial need; and agree to live in on-campus housing during their freshmen and sophomore years.

Award amount: $12,000 per year.
Deadline: January 31, 2024
To apply: Visit the Dorrance Scholarship Program website to apply and for more information.

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Scholarship
These scholarships are open to students who have a GPA of 3.0 or higher.

Award amount: $4,000 - $21,000
Deadline: Rolling application deadline.
To apply: Visit Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University’s website for more info.

GEM Environmental Scholarships
Available to students who: 1) have been or are currently enrolled in a S.T.E.M. related program offered by an accredited career/technical school, community college, or university; 2) are able to furnish transcripts for the school of which they were, or currently are, enrolled; 3) are considered “in good standing” with that school; 4) have a GPA of 2.5 or higher; 5) are over the age of 18 or have signed permission by a legal guardian; and 6) show cognitive retention of subject material in their respective fields via a submission essay.

Award amount: $500 (undergrad), $1,000 (graduate or research assistant grant), $1,500 (Veteran)
Deadline: Quarterly with applications due in February, May, August, and November.
To apply: Visit the GEM Environmental website for more information.

Grand Canyon University Scholarships
Grand Canyon University offers a variety of scholarships for students who plan to attend. Specific requirements for direct high school students and for transfer/gap year/international students may apply.

Award amount: $2,550 - $9,050 (high school); $2,500 - $6,500 (transfer/gap year/international)
Deadline: Rolling application deadline.
To apply: Visit the GCU website.
**Murto Family Scholarship**
Open to graduating high school seniors and adults reentering community college or career/technical schools. A minimum 3.0 GPA and an interest in studying technical/trades, police, fire, medical, or emergency services are of preference.

- **Award Amount:** $500 - $1,000
- **Deadline:** April 1, 2024
- **To apply:** Visit [ACF’s website](#). Email Brenda Moons for more info.

**Northern Arizona University Scholarships**
Northern Arizona University offers a variety of scholarships for students who plan to attend.

- **Award amount:** Award amounts vary by scholarship.
- **Deadline:** Rolling application deadlines.
- **To apply:** Visit the [NAU website](#).

**Prescott College Scholarships**
Prescott College offers a variety of scholarships for students who are planning to attend. Specific scholarship opportunities for first-time students and transfer students.

- **Award amount:** $2,000 - $17,000 per year
- **Deadline:** Rolling application deadlines.
- **To apply:** Visit the [Prescott College website](#).

**Rokosz Family Nursing Scholarship**
Open to aspiring and current nurses from Mohave, Yavapai, Coconino, Navajo, and Apache counties to attend an accredited college or university for associate, bachelor, graduate, additional certification, and/or continuing education. Must demonstrate financial need and hold a GPA of 3.8 or above.

- **Award amount:** $1,000
- **Deadline:** April 1, 2024
- **To apply:** Visit [ACF’s website](#). Email Brenda Moons for more info.

**University of Arizona Scholarships**
The University of Arizona offers a variety of scholarships for students who are planning to attend, and many specific to transfer students.

- **Award amount:** $3,000 - $5,000 per year from the Transfer Tuition Award or Phi Theta Kappa Award
- **Deadline:** July 1, 2024 for fall 2024
- **To apply:** Visit the [University of Arizona website](#).

**Yavapai College Scholarships**
Yavapai College offers a variety of scholarships for students who plan to attend.

- **Award amount:** Award amounts vary by scholarship.
- **Deadline:** Rolling application deadlines.
- **To apply:** Visit the [Yavapai College website](#).