

Friendship Scholarship For Dedication to Community Service

The Bourbonnais Friendship Festival, Inc, is a nonprofit organization dedicated to family-oriented recreation and to the financial support of numerous community organizations.

The Friendship Scholarship, provided by the Bourbonnais Friendship Festival, Inc, is a \$500.00 stipend intended for persons enrolling or enrolled in college or vocationally training.

Eligibility:

To be considered for this scholarship the applicant must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be active in community service projects and/or volunteer opportunities.
2. A Kankakee County resident
3. Have plans to or are currently enrolled in college or in a vocational training program.

Recipient of this scholarship will be chosen on the basis of eligibility, application, essay, and references.

The Bourbonnais Friendship Festival shows no bias toward students of any particular race, religion, creed, gender or involvement in any specific volunteer project(s).

Application Guidelines:

- Application due on or before April 30, 2026
- Print or type application.
- Essays are to be submitted in paper format and between 150-300 words.
- One letter of recommendation from an individual who is intimately aware of the applicant's involvement in community service.
- Include complete contact information.
- Mail completed application to:

Bourbonnais Friendship Festival
Scholarship Committee
600 Main St NW
Bourbonnais, IL 60914

**Friendship Scholarship
For Dedication to Community Service
Application Form**

Applicant Information:

Name _____

Date of Birth _____

Contact Information _____

Mailing Address _____

Phone Number (____) ____ - _____ Alternate Phone Number (____) ____ - _____

Email Address _____

School Information:

High School Name _____

Graduation Date _____

Senior Awards Night Date (if applicable) _____

What are your post-graduate plans, and have you been accepted into a college, university or vocational training program? _____

What are your future career plans? _____

Work & Volunteer Information:

Did you work during high school? ___Yes ___No

If so, where did you work and what were your job duties? _____

What extracurricular activities did you participate in at your high school? _____

What are your hobbies and/or extracurricular interests? _____

If you could do one thing to make this community a better place, what would it be? _____

Describe in detail your involvement in community service and any volunteer opportunities that you were a part of: _____

References:

List 1-3 individuals and their contact phone numbers who have worked with you in a volunteer capacity. Please have one of them submit a letter of recommendation on your behalf with this application.

Name _____

Project/Organization _____

Contact Number (____) ____ - _____

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Essay:

On a separate page, write an essay between 150-300 words answering the following question:
“What is your idea of volunteerism?”