



KIRKWOOD **FIREFIGHTERS** **COMMUNITY OUTREACH** **SCHOLARSHIP**

2026

www.kirkwoodfirefighterscommunityoutreach.com



Eligibility

A resident of Kirkwood or Oakland and accepted to an accredited school or higher education.



Requirements

Submit an application, proof of acceptance, and 500 word essay.



Deadline

All applications must be submitted by May 1, 2026

For more information email kirkwoodfirefighters@gmail.com



Kirkwood Firefighters Community Outreach is a non-profit organization operated by the employees of the Kirkwood Fire Department. These funds allow us to support the community that we serve beyond the emergency calls that we respond to on a daily basis.

As such, the Kirkwood Firefighters Community Outreach offers an annual scholarship in the amount of \$2,500 to a high school senior that resides within Kirkwood or Oakland. The scholarship is to be used for higher education at an accredited university, college, or technical trade school.

Eligibility requirements:

- 1) Must be a high school senior accepted to an accredited school of higher learning.
- 2) Must be a resident of Kirkwood or Oakland.

*Dependants, children, and grandchildren of Kirkwood Fire Department employees and retirees are ineligible.

Submission requirements:

- 1) Submit completed application.
- 2) Submit copy of letter of acceptance, or email from a college, university or technical trade school.
- 3) Submit a written essay. Details on page 4.

Deadline:

- 1) Deadline for submission is May 1, 2026.
- 2) Applications can be submitted to kirkwoodfirefighters@gmail.com or dropped off at Fire Station #2 11804 Big Bend.



Student Name: _____

Address: _____

Primary Phone: _____ Secondary Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

High School Activities and Honors:

Community Activities:

Current High School: _____ Current GPA: _____

List the Schools you are considering attending next year:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

What course of study you wish to pursue? _____

Are you a resident of Kirkwood, MO or Oakland, MO? _____

Are you a child, grandchild, or dependant of a Kirkwood Fire Department employee? _____

What is your estimated annual household income? _____

Student signature: _____ Date: _____

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Several years ago the Kirkwood Fire Department did a self-assessment to discover what truly drives us as an organization. Every level of the department was involved in the exercises and discussion. Ultimately we discovered that a lot of similarity in our beliefs about what drives us professionally. These beliefs are the core values of community, compassion, excellence, honor, integrity, professionalism, and teamwork. We believe that it is important the community knows what motivates us to continually strive to leave people in a better position than when we found them.

We define these core values as:

Community: We are a community oriented organization, dedicated and loyal to safeguarding the quality of life of our citizens, and intricately involved as a public stakeholder.

Compassion: We are compassionately compelled to help those in need. Regardless of the time of day, nature of an incident, or condition of a resident or guest, we treat all people with patience, kindness, understanding, and dignity.

Excellence: We strive to achieve and maintain the highest level of service through innovation, professional development and the continuous effort to improve.

Honor: We are an organization rich in tradition and hold our conduct to a high esteem. We show a high level of respect for ourselves, citizens, visitors, and our merit.

Integrity: We are committed to honesty and maintaining the highest ethical standards when interacting with the public, our colleagues and ourselves. We will perform with sincerity and openness to earn the trust and respect of others.

Professionalism: We will demonstrate the highest level of competency, using skill and good judgement, when interacting with our community. We will strictly adhere to courtesy, honesty, and responsibility.

Teamwork: We are only strong as a whole unit. The work that we perform requires a cooperative and coordinated effort in order to archive the interests for a common cause for our community.

What values define your life? Write an essay describing how your core values will guide your education and how they will ultimately have a positive impact on your community. Your essay should be typed, double spaced, 12pt font and a minimum of 500 words.