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Investing in Dreams

**Soroptimist International of Helena
New Adventures Educational Scholarship
Instructions and Application**

Scholarship details

The award amount is \$1,000. Deadline January 31, 2026. Award notifications in early 2026.

Payment of Scholarship:

The scholarship will be disbursed to the institution in one lump sum. The winner will need to provide Soroptimist International of Helena with the name of the school you will be attending and your student ID or other documentation to substantiate your enrollment by June 1, 2026.

Step 1: Determine if you are eligible.

This award is open to a senior high school woman who:

1. Resides in the tri-county area of Lewis & Clark, Broadwater, and Jefferson counties
2. Has been accepted to a vocational/skills training program, a similar nontraditional career program, or a 2-year degree program
3. Is motivated to achieve educational and career goals
4. Has NOT previously been the recipient of a Soroptimist International of Helena award
5. Is not a Soroptimist member or immediate family member

Step 2: Tell us about yourself.

Fill out the scholarship application. We want you to tell us about yourself. Why do you need this scholarship, and how would this scholarship help you achieve your career goals? Your information will be confidential and shared only with evaluators.

Step 3: Ask people to tell us about you.

You will need three different people – who are not related to you – to provide references. Two should come from teachers, counselors, administrators, or other school personnel who are familiar with your high school career. The third should come from an adult who is not related to you or involved with the school. Examples could include representatives of the faith community, employers, family friends, or others. The references need to be submitted with your application.

Step 4: Submit your application.

Mail your application and three references to the address listed below, postmarked by January 31, 2026. Incomplete applications, applications received without references, and those received after the deadline will not be considered.

Soroptimist International (SI) of the Americas was founded October 3, 1921, in Oakland, California and grew to the world's largest women's service organization. There are members in 120 countries around the world.

**Submit to:
Soroptimist International of Helena
Attn: New Adventures Educational Scholarship
PO Box 1216
Helena, MT 59624**

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PART 1: Basic Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

PART 2: What Are Your Education and Career Goals?

- A. Name of college, school, or training program you plan to attend or have been accepted to.
- B. What are you planning to study? (Examples: auto mechanics, carpentry, massage therapy, or another two-year program or certificate.)
- C. When will you complete your studies (month and year)?
- D. Briefly, please tell us about your career goals. How will this training support your goals and help you achieve your dreams?

E. Attach an essay of 250-500 words to this application. Please tell us about yourself. What are your goals and aspirations? Why do you need this scholarship?

F. How do you intend to finance your participation in this program or certification? Tell us about your financial situation. Scholarship recipients are chosen, in part, based on financial need. Please share your planned budget as closely as you can.

Payment Method	% of Total	Description
Scholarship		
Financial Aid		
Loans		
Work Study		
Employment		
Parental Support		
Savings		
Totals	100%	

PART 3: Agreement

Please read the following information carefully. When you type your name below, you are agreeing to what you have read.

- I certify that all the information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I will notify Soroptimist International of Helena (SI) of any changes.
- I certify that this is the only application I have made in any format or to any address this year for a New Adventures Educational Scholarship.
- I understand that my application may be submitted electronically for evaluation.
- I understand that my application becomes the property of SI of Helena. The application will be considered confidential unless the applicant grants SI Helena written permission to release personal information for the purpose of publicizing the award.

By my signature, I certify to the best of my knowledge that the contents of this application, essay and letters of recommendation are true and accurate, and agree to adhere to the above requirements.

Signature _____ Date _____

Counselor Verification

Number in graduation class _____ Rank in Class _____ GPA _____

Counselor signature _____ Date _____ Phone # _____

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How did you learn about the New Adventures Educational Scholarship? Check all that apply.

Local Soroptimist Club or club member	Social media
A friend, relative or co-worker	A flyer posted in my community
A career counselor or advisor	Internet search (website)
A teacher at my school	Searchable database of scholarships
Other: Please describe	