



# Chief Richard W. Myers Scholarship Fund 2026

## OVERVIEW

Police Foundation of Colorado Springs established the Chief Richard W. Myers Scholarship Fund in 2011 in recognition of Richard W. Myers, retired Colorado Springs Police Department Chief, and his support of active and retired department staff, their dependents, and his belief in the benefits of higher education.

Applicants need to read the guidelines and procedures, provide the necessary information on the application and ensure all required documentation is submitted. Incomplete applications will not be accepted and will be returned to the applicant.

The actual number of grants awarded from year to year will be determined, in part, on the availability of scholarship funds and the decision of the Scholarship Committee. Selection of all awards will be based on factors deemed relevant by the Scholarship Committee, including but not limited to, academic performance, community involvement, and quality of essay. Applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee whose decision will be final.

If awarded a scholarship, the recipient must maintain full-time status of 12 credits per semester and maintain a 2.5 GPA or a passing grade in a pass/fail grading system. If he/she fails to comply with these requirements, repayment of the scholarship may be required. Recipients will be required to submit their semester transcript to Police Foundation of Colorado Springs within thirty (30) days from the end of the semester.

Submission of an application implies consent to the use of the applicant's name and scholarship award for Police Foundation's website and/or articles written about the scholarship program.

## NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

Police Foundation of Colorado Springs does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin or ancestry, gender, age, religious convictions, disability or sexual orientation.

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## 2026 SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

An applicant must meet the following qualifications:

- Be a **dependent child** of an active, full-time CSPD employee; **or**
- Be a **dependent child** of a retired CSPD employee; **or**
- Be a **dependent child** of a CSPD officer that was killed in the line of duty.

*The term "child(ren)" includes natural, foster, adopted, stepchildren or dependent child(ren) of a Civil Union Partner. Police Foundation of Colorado Springs requires that the employee must be in good standing or have retired as such, and PFCS will abide by CSPD's current guidelines.*

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AND

- Enrolled in an associate degree (two-year), a bachelor's (four-year) program at an accredited college or university or an accredited trade school as defined by the Internal Revenue Service as an "Eligible Educational Institution."
- Must have a high school GPA of 3.0 or a college GPA of 2.5.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURES

In order for the Scholarship Committee to review an application, **all** applicants must submit the following:

- An original typed application (not handwritten). Applications are available online at [www.policefoundationofcoloradosprings.org](http://www.policefoundationofcoloradosprings.org) under the Scholarship tab.
- An **original** typed essay (500-750 words, double-spaced). See "Submit an Essay" section of application.
  - **Your individual thoughts are encouraged, and we prohibit the use of AI submissions. The use of AI is prohibited and will result in disqualification from the application process.**
- An original, **sealed** high school transcript (**not** required for home-schooled students or for applicants currently attending college).

- Letter verifying acceptance to an accredited college, university or Trade School (High School Seniors **only**).

Applicants that are home-schooled must **also** submit the following:

- Official copy of the Notice to Home Instruct or Religious Waiver Request.
- High School Curricula.

Applicants currently enrolled in an accredited college or university must **also** submit the following:

- An original, sealed college or trade school transcript.
- Letter verifying continued eligibility of full-time enrollment (copy of upcoming semester registration is acceptable).

### **SELECTION PROCESS**

All personal and scholastic information will be used for verification purposes only.

Applications will be evaluated on the following criteria:

- Community/volunteer achievements
- Academic achievement
- Essay
- Grammar and spelling

Please note:

- The application **must** be sent by mail.
- Application **must** be typed. Handwritten applications and essays will **not** be accepted or considered.
- Applicants not submitting a complete application package will not be considered.
- Application packages postmarked after the deadline date will **not** be considered.

The application and supporting documentation must be **postmarked by Friday, April 17, 2026**. Mail to:

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ATTN: Nicole Magic, Executive Director/President  
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For questions, please email: [info@policefoundationofcoloradosprings.org](mailto:info@policefoundationofcoloradosprings.org) or call (719) 577-7094