CITY OF ARTESIA 2026 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

APPLY BY FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2026 AT 5:00 PM

The City of Artesia developed the Scholarship Program to provide financial assistance and support the academic efforts of high school seniors residing in Artesia. The program provides scholarship opportunities to students who are pursuing a college education or seeking to develop expertise in a trade or vocation. The City holds the Scholarship Program with the support of community members, businesses, civic groups, and churches, to award scholarships annually. The City appreciates the opportunity to partner with community sponsors to make the Scholarship Program possible.

Scholarships
Individual scholarships will range from $500 to $1,000, with additional scholarships potentially available depending on sponsorship contributions

Scholarship Criteria
Eligibility: Applicants must be current high school seniors residing in the City of Artesia.

Academic Requirements: Applicants must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher and plan to attend a community college, university, or vocational/trade school in the fall of 2026.

Complete Application Packet: A complete application must include the following:
- A fully filled-out scholarship application form.
- An original 2-page essay.
- Proof of residency within the City of Artesia (e.g., utility bill, lease agreement).
- A copy of a valid school ID.
- An official school transcript.

Award Presentation: Scholarship recipients must attend a City Council meeting to receive their award.

Proof of Enrollment: To receive the scholarship funds, the winner must provide a college acceptance letter or proof of enrollment in a trade/vocational school.

Disbursement of Funds: Scholarship funds will be sent directly to the institution where the recipient is enrolled for the fall term.

CITY OF ARTESIA - 2026 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
DEADLINE: FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2025, BY 5:00 PM

APPLICANT INFORMATION

NAME:	TODAY'S DATE:
EMAIL:	PHONE:
ADDRESS:	

CITY:	STATE:	ZIP CODE:

EDUCATION
(OFFICIAL SCHOOL TRANSCRIPTS MUST BE PROVIDED)

HIGH SCHOOL NAME:	GRADUATION DATE:

COLLEGE/TRADE SCHOOL PLANNING TO ATTEND (1):

COLLEGE/TRADE SCHOOL PLANNING TO ATTEND (2):

COLLEGE/TRADE SCHOOL PLANNING TO ATTEND (3):

COMMUNITY SERVICE – PAST & PRESENT
(PLEASE ATTACH A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER, IF ADDITIONAL SPACE IS NEEDED)

NAME OF ORGANIZATION (1):

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE:

YEARS OF SERVICE:

NAME OF ORGANIZATION (2):

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE:

YEARS OF SERVICE:

NAME OF ORGANIZATION (3):

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE:

YEARS OF SERVICE:

ESSAY QUESTION (APPLICANT'S VISION/GOALS)

Please answer the following question in a separate document and attach it to this application. The essay must be typed in 12-point font, single-spaced, with 1-inch margins, and must be at least two pages long.

How has the City of Artesia shaped your values, goals, and sense of community, and how do you plan to carry these influences into your future education and career? **You may reflect on experiences involving the city itself, a local organization, school, program, event, or an individual from the Artesia community who has had a meaningful impact on your life.**

SIGNATURE

SIGNATURE: _____	TODAY'S DATE:_____

Application Submission Guidelines

All complete applications must be submitted by 5 p.m. on Friday, May 1, 2026, via email, mail, or in person with City Hall staff.

Email:
Send your completed application to Carmen Zambrano at czambrano@cityofartesia.us with the subject line: Scholarship Program – Your Full Name.

Mail:
City of Artesia Scholarship Program
18747 Clarkdale Avenue
Artesia, CA 90701
ATTN: Carmen Zambrano, Management Analyst

In-Person Drop-Off:
Submit your application at City Hall and inform the front desk staff that it is for the Scholarship Program, addressed to Carmen Zambrano.

Your application and essay should be a representation of your very best work. Applicants are encouraged to carefully review their submission for grammatical errors and typos prior to submitting it to the City of Artesia. While tools such as ChatGPT or similar programs may be used for general guidance or editing support, essays should reflect the applicant's original thoughts and voice. Submissions that appear to be primarily generated by artificial intelligence may result in point deduction, even if the essay is otherwise well written.