



OSWEGO JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB FINANCIAL NEED SCHOLARSHIP 2023

OJWC IS A 501C3 ORGANIZATION AND AFFILIATED
WITH THE GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMANS
CLUBS WITH A MISSION OF IMPROVING THE LIVES OF
WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN OSWEGO AND
SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES

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Oswego Junior Woman's Club
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Oswego Junior Woman's Club (OJWC) is a subsidiary of the General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC). GFWC is one of the world's largest and oldest women's volunteer service organizations and has approximately 8,000 members in the United States. Members of GFWC support the arts, preserve natural resources, promote education in various sectors, encourage healthy lifestyles, stress civic involvement, and work toward world peace and understanding. OJWC was chartered in 2012 and, at that time, began its commitment to volunteering and service in Oswego, Illinois, and the surrounding communities.

The Oswego Junior Woman's Club mission is dedicated to community improvement by enhancing the lives of others through volunteer services.

OJWC recognizes the importance and value of being involved in the community in which one lives while understanding that opportunities may not always arise given one's financial situation. To honor the contribution of a student who believes in community involvement but has taken on additional responsibilities due to a family's financial need, OJWC will recognize two students from each Oswego high school (OHS and OEHS) by awarding a \$1,000 scholarship to a qualified, college-bound high school senior. The secondary school can be a college, university, junior college, trade or technical school.

Scholarship recipients will be chosen based on the student's financial need and involvement and active participation in bettering the lives of their family, themselves and community.

Selection Criteria:

- Must be an Oswego high school (OHS, OEHS) senior student
- (1) Letter of recommendation from a service organization, employer, instructor or coach in which you have been affiliated with for more than 6 months
 - Your letter of recommendation cannot be from an Oswego Junior Woman's Club member
- Maintained at least a B grade point average throughout high school career
- Completed application form, including short written statements about your current financial situation, future goals, the value of community service and the value and importance the scholarship would bring to your current financial situation.

Please Note:

- We appreciate and respect each family's privacy. Information regarding the amount of family household income is not a judging requirement, and we ask you refrain from listing this information.
- Statements including the mention of a parent losing a job, or the additional responsibility of becoming a caretaker for a family member, a terminal illness etc. suffices as defining a "financial need".

Please complete this application form with sincere thought as we encourage you to be thorough. Please return along with the letter of recommendation, and any additional supporting documents to:

Oswego Junior Woman's Club

Attn: Education Committee

P.O. Box 374

Oswego, Illinois 60543

Deadline for submission: Monday, April 10, 2023

OSWEGO JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB FINANCIAL NEED APPLICATION

Name _____ E-mail _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

High School You Attend _____ Grade Point Average _____

College, Junior College, University, or Trade School you will be attending after graduation:

Location _____

Please list the names of any community service organizations or volunteer activities or projects you have been involved with for longer than 3 months during your high school career

Organization _____

Contact Name _____ Contact Information _____

Length of time or number of service hours _____

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(Feel free to use additional paper, if necessary)

Please list the names of any employers you have been involved with during your high school career. Please include the length of time you were/are employed and the number of hours you work weekly, on average.

Employer _____

Contact Name _____ Contact Information _____

Length of time or number of service hours _____

Responsibilities & Obligations

Employer _____

Contact Name _____ Contact Information _____

Length of time or number of service hours _____

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Responsibilities & Obligations

Please describe your goals for the future (Secondary School and Beyond):

Tell us how you are personally contributing to the cost of your advanced education.

Please tell us why you feel you are qualified to receive a scholarship based on financial need.
