The Robert R. Robinson Memorial Scholarship Fund

Robert R. Robinson
(1920-1987)
Supervisor, Meridian Charter Township
(1959-1969)
Michigan Townships Association Legislative Director
(1969-1975)
MTA Executive Director
(1975-1983)
MTA Associate Director
(1983-1984)
Cofounder and Board Member
National Association of Towns and Townships
(1977-1984)
NATaT President
(1978-1980)

The Michigan Townships Association administers a scholarship fund established in memory of Robert R. Robinson, former executive director of the Association. The purpose of the scholarship fund is to help students in Michigan who are preparing for a career in public administration.

The scholarship will be awarded on a competitive basis, as determined by the applicant’s academic achievement, community involvement and commitment to a career in local government administration.

Submit application materials to:

Robert R. Robinson Memorial Scholarship Fund
Michigan Townships Association
P.O. Box 80078, Lansing, Michigan 48908-0078
(517) 321-6467 Fax (517) 321-8908

In order to be considered by the Robert R. Robinson Memorial Scholarship Fund Board of Directors, applications must be received no later than May 31.

Eligibility Requirements

- Scholarship recipients are selected from nominees submitted by a Michigan township board that is a member in good standing of the Michigan Townships Association.
- Scholarship applicants must be a junior, senior or graduate student enrolled in a Michigan college or university; pursuing a degree in public administration; and must be considering a career in local government administration.
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Application Specifications

- Scholarship applicants must submit the following information, as applicable:
  - name
  - home address and email address
  - school address
  - college or university where enrolled
  - cumulative grade point average
  - declared major
  - expected graduation date
  - home community activities
  - school community activities
  - school extracurricular activities
  - career goals in local government
- Scholarship applicants must also submit:
  - a letter of recommendation from a professor or instructor
  - a copy of a resolution of support from an MTA-member township board in good standing (resolutions from other types of entities or from individual public officials are not sufficient)
  - a short essay on an important issue facing local government
The Michigan Townships Association promotes the interests of Michigan townships by fostering strong, vibrant communities; advocating legislation to meet 21st century challenges; developing knowledgeable, township officials and enthusiastic supporters of township government; and encouraging ethical practices of elected officials who uphold the traditions and unique characteristics of township government and the values of the people of Michigan.

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Supporting Grassroots Leadership Education

Application Information

A tax-deductible scholarship fund for Michigan students administered by the Michigan Townships Association
RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR MICHIGAN TOWNSHIPS ASSOCIATION’S
ROBERT R. ROBINSON SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

WHEREAS, the Michigan Townships Association administers a scholarship fund established in memory of
Robert R. Robinson, former executive director of the association; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the scholarship fund is to help students in Michigan who are preparing for a
career in public administration; and

WHEREAS, the scholarship is awarded on a competitive basis to a junior, senior or graduate student
enrolled in a Michigan college or university, who is pursuing a degree in public administration and
considering a career in local government administration, as determined by the applicant’s academic
achievement, community involvement and commitment to a career in local government administration;
and

WHEREAS, _______________ (student’s name), currently a ___________ (junior, senior or graduate
student) at ______________ (Michigan college or university), has demonstrated academic achievement
with a ____ grade point average; and

WHEREAS, ____________ (include any other relevant achievements or information); and

WHEREAS, the scholarship application requires a resolution of support from an MTA-member Michigan
township board;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the _______________________ Township Board supports the application
of _____________ Township resident ________________________________________ for the Robert R.
Robinson Memorial Scholarship.