

**HomeWorks Tri-County Electric Cooperative**  
Touchstone Energy High School Senior Scholarship Program

Three one-time scholarships of \$1,000 each, and two one-time scholarships of \$500 each, will be awarded to high school seniors, based on need, grades, and community service.

**Purpose:**

- To support cooperative members furthering their higher education;
- To promote the cooperative's involvement with our communities
- To continue building the Touchstone Energy brand

**Timeline:**

- Applications are due at our Portland office by 5 pm, **March 15, 2017**
- Applications may be mailed to 7973 E Grand River, Portland MI 48875; faxed to 517-647-4856; or emailed to jgraham@homeworks.org as a PDF or in Word (.doc/.docx) format
- Early May – Notify winners so they can plan to attend their district meeting
- Mid-May – Announce at district meetings, with the winners present to be recognized – scholarships will be paid directly to the college once student has registered

**Criteria:**

Applicant must be a high school senior and U.S. citizen, **whose parents or guardians are currently member-owners of the cooperative**, with their primary residence in HomeWorks Tri-County Electric Cooperative's service area. (Children of HomeWorks Tri-County employees are also eligible if they meet the membership requirements listed here.)

These scholarships are available to home-schooled students, as well as those enrolled in public or private high schools.

Applicant must be enrolled in an accredited full-time post-secondary credit program (institute, technical, community college, or university) with a program starting date between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018. (If selected, you will be asked to provide copies of your school's official registration information showing your enrollment, as well as your Social Security Number.)

Applications will be evaluated on the following criteria:

- Academic achievements, including grade point average, academic honors and special courses taken, etc. **A transcript is optional, but helpful.**
- Leadership, extracurricular activities, community service, and work experience
- **A brief applicant-written statement of educational and career goals**
- **A brief applicant-written statement of your need for this scholarship.**
- **A recommendation written by a third party**

Your application must be legible to be considered, and **MUST** include the two applicant statements and the third-party recommendation. *(If time allows, applicants who fail to include all requested information MAY be notified and offered the chance to complete their application.)*

**HomeWorks Tri-County Electric Cooperative, 7973 E. Grand River Ave., Portland Michigan 48875**

**Touchstone Energy High School Senior Scholarship Application**

*(If you need additional space to answer any questions, please use a separate sheet or the back of this form.)*

**Section 1: Personal information, including cooperative membership:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent(s) or Guardian(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Address at which they receive Tri-County Electric service, if different from your mailing address:

\_\_\_\_\_

How long have they lived there? \_\_\_\_\_

From their most recent electric bill, list the account number: \_\_\_\_\_

List the name under which service is received: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a United States citizen?  Yes  No ***Social Security Number: (required if selected)***

**Section 2: Academic information:**

High school name and address: \_\_\_\_\_

High school graduation date: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA (cumulative) \_\_\_\_\_

Academic honors, special courses taken, etc. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of accredited school you will attend: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Planned major course of study? \_\_\_\_\_

Career plans after school? \_\_\_\_\_

**Section 3. Leadership, extracurricular activities, community service, work experience:**

Current or recent community and school activities: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Give a brief description of your work experience, including dates of employment: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Section 4: Statement of Need (separate page, following application form)**

**Section 5: Statement of Educational and Career Goals (separate page, following application form)**

**Section 6: Recommendation written by third party (separate page, provided by the writer of the letter)**

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

If someone else filled out this application for you, please list their name and why their assistance was needed:

\_\_\_\_\_

Email address, if you would like an acknowledgement that this application has been received:

\_\_\_\_\_

**On the next two pages, in no more than 250 words each, tell us why you need this Touchstone Energy scholarship, and your educational and career goals. Your entry must be legible to be considered. Your application must also include a written recommendation from a third party.**

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**Statement of Need**

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please use the space below to tell us, in not more than 250 words, why you need this Touchstone Energy scholarship. This statement is part of the criteria used to determine Touchstone Energy scholarship recipients.

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**Statement of Educational and Career Goals**

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please use the space below to provide, in not more than 250 words, a statement of your educational and career goals. This statement is part of the criteria used to determine Touchstone Energy scholarship recipients.