



TSRA Foundation 2022-2023 Memorial Scholarships In Memory of Mr. *“William Travis Clarke Jr.”*

Note: Clarke Scholarship applications are due in the TSRA office by June 15, 2022

The Texas State Rifle Association Foundation (“TSRAF”) will be awarding at least one *“William T. Clarke, Jr.”* scholarship in the amount of \$2,000 for the 2022-2023 Academic year to a new recipient.

Criteria:

- Applicants may be active in any firearm related discipline.
- Applicants must be a Texas/U.S. resident and a TSRA member.
- High School Seniors may apply but must show proof of acceptance to their selected Texas institution of higher learning.
- Current college students must have an overall GPA of 2.75 or greater on the 4.0 scale to apply.
- Applicants must be enrolled/accepted as a full-time College/University student in Texas. (Graduate students are not eligible.)
- Automatic renewal of awarded scholarship is not guaranteed and is at the discretion of the TSRA Foundation Board of Directors annually.
- Applicants may apply for any and all TSRA/TSRAF related scholarships; however, recipient may only be granted one annually.
- Applicant must submit a 250 -500 words, double spaced essay based on the subject of the Missions I or II of the Texas State Rifle Association. (shown below and listed in the TSRA Sportsman)
 - TSRA Mission Statement I- *To champion and support the rights of law-abiding Texans to own, enjoy and use firearms as guaranteed by the constitutions of the State of Texas and the United States of America*
 - TSRA Mission Statement II - *To protect and defend the inalienable rights of the individual Texan to acquire, possess, transport, carry, transfer ownership and enjoy the right to lawful use of firearms for self-preservation, for the defense of family and property, and for the common defense of the republic and the individual liberties of the people.*

Application Evaluation:

The TSRA Scholarship Committee will review applications and submit a recommendation to the TSRA Foundation Board of Directors for award. The Committee will consider the following information in the evaluation of applicants:

- Academic achievement, honors-awards or special accomplishments
- school service (extra-curricular activities/volunteer work)
- Community and or Work experience
- Financial need for scholarship
- Essay quality and content
- Academic or Community references (non-family)
- Applicants are not required to be a competitive shooter, but must have experience in a shooting/marksmanship or 2nd amendment activity. (example: 4H, FFA, BSA, SCTP, CMP, NRA or hunting). Currently shooting on a university, TSRA, or USA Shooting team enhances your application

The TSRA Scholarship Committee

*Note: Funding for the scholarships is from the TSRA Foundation Endowed Fund. The **William T. Clarke Jr Estate** has provided significant funding for the endowed fund as have many other contributors. Donations to the TSRA Foundation are encouraged and are tax deductible. Contributions support Youth shooting and Scholarships.*



TSRAF Clarke Memorial Scholarships
for the 2022-2023

(Applications are due in the TSRA office by June 15, 2022)

Applicants must be full-time student (12 Hours or more) attending or accepted to an accredited College/University in Texas

Please print or type the following information.

Applicant Information:

Full Name _____
Street Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Home Phone (____) _____ Cell (____) _____
Email Address _____
Date of Birth _____ TSRA Membership No. _____

Parent/Guardian information:

Father's name _____ Daytime Phone _____
Mother's name _____ Daytime Phone _____
Signature _____ Date _____

(Signature of Applicant; or parent or guardian if applicant is less than 18 years of age)

Documentation to submit for a completed application by June 15, 2022:

- Letter demonstrating financial need, personal qualities, and service/volunteer activities. The letter will answer the question: "Why do I need and deserve this Scholarship".
- A brief, yet complete *curriculum vitae* to include transcripts, major or intended major, classification at your High school, College, or University (Freshman, Sophomore etc.).
- Summary of shooting discipline(s), classification, experience, team membership, a copy of classification card(s).
- Three letters of reference, one of which must be from the applicant's shooting coach or mentor, the other two from non-relatives attesting to the applicant's personal qualities and community activities.
- Color Photo - School or Passport type photo, head & shoulders only.
- Submit completed Scholarship application by email in a PDF to (outreach@tsra.com)

Texas State Rifle Association

ATTN: Clarke Scholarship Application 2022-2023

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Bastrop, TX. 78602

Notification: The TSRA Scholarship Committee goal is to review, evaluate, select, and notify applicants and the TSRA Foundation by July 10, 2022. Please read all application information carefully because applicants will be scored on a scale of 0 to 20 in five areas, Need, Essay, Intangibles (awards, volunteering, community activities, etc.), Shooting, Academics.