

# The Robert E. Shepherd Scholarship Foundation Application for Scholarship Award

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The Robert E. Shepherd Scholarship Fund was established in 1977 to honor one of the founding fathers and most influential members of the Ceramic Tile Layers Union, Local 67 of Illinois. Holding the highest position in the local union and named a Vice-President of the International Union of Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers, his vision was instrumental to the growth and success of the union movement. This scholarship continues his legacy of helping proud union families prosper.

## **Awards:**

The R. E. Shepherd Scholarship Foundation will award four \$5,000 scholarships based on academic achievement and potential, and one \$5,000 scholarship to be determined by a random drawing of all those applicants with a GPA of 3.0 or above who did not win one of the four academic scholarships.

## **Eligibility:**

Each candidate must be:

1. A high school senior at the time of application.
2. Provisionally accepted as a full-time student into an undergraduate degree program at an accredited college or university.
3. A dependent child of a member in good standing of the BAC ADC 1 of IL.

## **Entry Requirements:**

The following information is required from each candidate:

1. Official transcript of all high school records.
2. A copy of your high school's method for calculating your GPA.
3. Official copy of ACT or SAT test results.
4. A completed application, including all required attachments listed on the last page of this application (essays, extra-curricular activities, etc.) postmarked **April 3, 2026**.

Please note: Make sure all requested items are included with your application, as incomplete submittals will not be considered.

# R. E. Shepherd Scholarship Application

## Applicant's Information:

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

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

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent or legal guardian who is a member of the BAC ADC 1 of IL:

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IU Membership Number: \_\_\_\_\_

## Educational Institution Information:

Name of High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Expected date of graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Any previous High Schools you have attended:

	High School	Years Attended
1.	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____

Colleges or Universities to which you have applied:

	Name of School	Accepted?
1.	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____

In what major or program do you plan to get your degree?

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### Extracurricular Activities & Employment:

Please attach no more than two sheets explaining the following:

#### Extracurricular Activities:

Provide information on the extracurricular activities (volunteer work, internships, sports, clubs) in which you have participated on a consistent basis. Highlight any leadership positions you have held. Explain why these activities have been meaningful to you.

#### Employment:

Provide information on up to 3 jobs you have held, including the names of employers, your job/title, dates of employment, and your roles and responsibilities. Describe why these jobs have been important to you.

### Essays:

Please attach a sheet explaining the following:

#### Essay 1:

Please submit an essay of approximately 350 words outlining your career goals, aspirations and community service.

#### Essay 2:

Please submit an essay of approximately 350 words describing your relationship with the union and the labor movement, how it has personally affected your life, and explain why you believe you are a good candidate for a union scholarship.

### To complete the application:

Be sure that all items listed below are submitted to the R. E. Shepherd Scholarship Foundation and postmarked no later than: **FRIDAY April 3, 2026**. (Incomplete submittals will not be considered.)

1. Completed Application.
2. Up to two pages detailing your extracurricular activities and employment.
3. Additional page(s) with two essay responses.
4. Official high school transcripts.
5. A copy of your high school's method for calculating your GPA.
6. Official ACT or SAT test scores.

Send all application materials to:

The R. E. Shepherd Scholarship Foundation  
660 North Industrial Drive  
Elmhurst, IL 60126

I hereby apply for a Robert E. Shepherd Scholarship Foundation Award and agree to abide by the decision of the trustees:

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_