

Opportunities Abound Foundation 2026 Howard Roush Memorial Scholarship

Goal: Our goal is to provide financial assistance to Abound Credit Union members who are high school seniors and planning to pursue higher education after graduation.

Objective: It's a major achievement to get good grades. It's a big challenge to cover college costs. The Opportunities Abound Foundation and Abound Credit Union have partnered to award academic achievement and ease the financial burden on students and their families. We fund 8 scholarships of \$2,500 each (renewable for up to four years) to college bound seniors in Abound's service area.²

Scholarship recipients are selected in April and awarded by the Opportunities Abound Foundation during the Credit Union's Annual Meeting in May.

Criteria for applicant:

- Must be a high school senior
- Must be a primary savings account holder with Abound Credit Union for a minimum of three months
- Must provide proof of enrollment in a college/vocational/technical institution for funds to be released to the school
- Must submit a brief video **OR** an original essay. Essay prompt: *How are you applying financial literacy skills you've learned in high school to choose a college and career path that makes financial sense for the lifestyle you would like to live after you obtain your degree? Give specific examples of lessons learned, decisions you're making, and the type of future you strive for?*
- Must have an overall high school grade point average of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale
- Must have a demonstrated record of community service and extracurricular activities
- If selected, student must provide a recent professional color photo to be used for publicity purposes

Scheduling: All applications, video or essay, **and** supporting materials must be submitted to Abound Credit Union **no later than March 31, 2026.**

Application: Visit www.aboundcu.com/roush-scholarship or email Hollie Sexton Foy at hsfoy@aboundcu.com

Submit completed application materials to:

Opportunities Abound Foundation (Scholarship Coordination)
C/O Angela Kist
P.O. Box 900, Radcliff, Kentucky 40159-0900

Send video submission to dropbox.com/request/Zbm9pMTA1ISKpDU4OJK

Questions? Call 1.800.285.5669 Ext. 5417 or email hsfoy@aboundcu.com

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This application is for an opportunity for an eligible high school senior to earn a \$2,500 scholarship (renewable for up to four years¹) awarded by Abound Credit Union, through the Opportunities Abound Foundation. All scholarship funds are to be applied toward tuition, books, room and board, and will be paid directly to the school.

Name: _____

Last FOUR digits of Abound Account Number: _____

Address: _____

City/State: _____

Email Address: _____ **Phone #** _____

High School: _____

Graduation Year: _____ **Overall GPA:** _____ **ACT and/or SAT score:** _____

Please check if you are submitting for: ☐ **VIDEO** ☐ **WRITTEN ESSAY**

List community service and extracurricular activities:

Example of community service: Animal Shelter, organizer – Jane Doe, 555-555-5555

Checklist

- ☐ Completed Opportunities Abound Foundation Roush Scholarship Application
- ☐ Proof of Enrollment in a college/vocational/technical institution
- ☐ Essay (at least 250 words) **OR** post a video 20-seconds or longer in length to dropbox.com/request/Zbm9pMTA1lSKpDU4OJIK
- ☐ GPA (proof of grades via unofficial transcript)
- ☐ Community Service (letter of recommendation or evidence of hours)
- ☐ Extracurricular Activities/Active in Organizations
- ☐ Senior Photo (solid background, front facing, mid-chest up, vertical portrait view, high resolution digital photo preferred) email to hsfoy@aboundcu.com

Disclaimer: By submitting applications, students and their parents/legal guardian grant the Opportunities Abound Foundation and Abound Credit Union the right to repurpose their content in any and all of our affiliate websites, including but not limited to, social media channels, print, video and other media; and further agree we can include their likeness (their profile photograph/picture) without payment or any other consideration.

Members of the Opportunities Abound Foundation Board of Directors, Members of the Abound Credit Union Board of Directors, Employees of Abound Credit Union and all aforementioned groups' immediate family members (children, stepchildren, spouse, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, siblings, and other dependents) are ineligible for the Roush Memorial Scholarship.

¹ Subject to renewal criteria.

² Please check with your high school career/guidance counselor to confirm your school's location is in the Abound Credit Union service area.

- ☐ I certify that the information furnished in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and I am an individual eligible to apply.

Signature: _____

Date: _____