

# rockfordnetwork Scholarship Application

Please print or type:

Name of applicant

Date

Member?  Yes  No

Title (if appropriate)

Address

Phone (business)

(home)

Each Spring, Rockford Network for Professional Women is pleased to offer educational scholarships of up to \$1,000 each (amount awarded at the discretion of Rockford Network depending upon fund availability). Scholarships are provided for up to two women—one member (\*including immediate family members) of Rockford Network for Professional Women and one non-member—living in the Greater Rockford area who wish to enrich their professional lives. The scholarships may be used toward any degreed program or coursework at an accredited institution, such as Rock Valley College, Rockford Business College, NIU or others.

To qualify, a scholarship applicant must be a high school graduate and have spent a minimum of five years in the workforce or as a community volunteer. The goals of a successful applicant must be consistent with those of Rockford Network.

Scholarships are awarded based on the following criteria:

- Value of the educational program as it relates to the goals of Rockford Network.
- The financial need of the applicant.
- Leadership potential of the applicant.
- Applicant's long-term career goals.
- Applicant's previous work experience and community involvement.
- Quality and completeness of the application, including two letters of reference.

## Application Instructions

Please address the following on not more than two pages of printed or typed single-spaced paper.

1. Summarize the program you wish to pursue including a detailed listing of the cost of items (*examples: tuition, books, etc.*).
2. Describe how this program aligns with the goals of Rockford Network.
3. Can you personally finance this program or would your employer reimburse for any or all of it? If yes, explain why you are applying for the Network scholarship.
4. How do you plan to finance the costs outlined above?
5. Describe your work experience and/or community involvement and explain its value to you.
6. How will this educational opportunity enhance your career and life experiences?

*Attach your resume and documentation about the program for which the scholarship will be used. Include two (2) letters of reference that address your qualifications for this scholarship. Submit all materials together. **All information and requested documentation must be submitted in order for your application to be considered.***



Scholarships are usually awarded in May of each year. Applications must be postmarked by April 1. Finalists qualifying for an interview with the Scholarship Committee will be notified by May 1.

Mail the application and required information to: Pam Vogel, Rockford Network c/o Waterside Benefits, 7811 N. Alpine #112, Loves Park, IL 61111. Applicants may also visit our website at [www.rockfordnetwork.biz](http://www.rockfordnetwork.biz).

For further information, please contact Scholarship Chair Pam Vogel directly at [pamelavogel@att.net](mailto:pamelavogel@att.net), via phone at 815-708-7625 or at the address above.

Thank you for your interest in Rockford Network of Professional Women