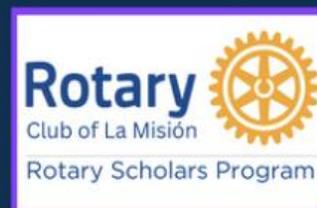




# Rotary Scholars Program Document

LA MISION ROTARY CLUB,  
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## **ROTARY SCHOLARS PROGRAM MISSION**

We believe that education is the key to empowering individuals and building strong communities. That's why the La Misión Rotary Scholars Program focuses on providing financial support to local students seeking advanced training and degrees. Our goal is to foster the development of a new generation of leaders who are committed to making a difference in their communities.

## **TARGET POPULATION**

The Rotary Scholars Program assists students from the club's service area (La Misión, Santa Anita, Santa Rosa, Alisitos, Primo Tapia, Úrsula Galván, and Baja Mar) who need financial assistance beyond sources currently available to complete the post secondary degrees required for their chosen career. Recipients must:

- Maintain strong academic performance of 8.0 or higher,
- Demonstrate the Rotary commitment to serve through volunteer activities of service to the community.

## **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Interested students will go to the Rotary Scholars website ([RotaryScholarsProgram.org](http://RotaryScholarsProgram.org)) and in the Solicitar Beca tab and fill out the personal data form included below. In addition, applicants write a personal essay according to the provided guidelines (see below). Currently, the RSP is focused on students from CECyTE Primo Tapia as this is the most underserved high school in the area in terms of university scholarships.

# Rotary Scholars Application Data Information

## Personal

Last Name Paternal	Last Name Maternal	First Name
Birthdate	Cellphone	E-Mail
Address	Community	

## Family/Income

Father's Name	Father's Work	
Mother's Work	Mother's Work	
Number in the House	#K-12	#University
Working Full time	Working Part-time	
Monthly Household Earnings		Monthly Household Expenses
Other Financial		

## Educational

High School	RFC	CURP	GPA
University	Campus		Major
#Semesters in Program	Your Current Semester		Expected graduation date
Matriculation Number			Tuition for 1 YEAR
Scholarships you receive			

## **APPLICATION ESSAY**

We would love to get to know you as a scholarship applicant and to share your story with others to raise scholarship funds. Please help us by writing a one-page essay about your life.

First, give your name, what you are studying and which university you are attending.

Then, select 3 or 4 of the questions below and answer them to complete your essay.

- What does receiving a scholarship mean to your education?
- What career are you working toward and why did you choose it?
- What is your plan after graduation?
- What are your dreams for the future?
- Who has given you inspiration or offered help?
- What was it like growing up in this area?
- What are your experiences in college?
- What jobs have you had while you are in school?
- Who inspired you to go to university?
- What are your interests and hobbies?
- What is your passion?
- What service projects have you done in your community?
- What is your favorite class or teacher and why?
- What are obstacles to your education?
- What are your short-term and long-term goals?

- 1) Complete your essay.
- 2) Translate your essay into English. You can use Google Translate if you wish.
- 3) Attach both the Spanish and English versions to an email and send to:  
**rotaryscholarsprogram@gmail.com.**

We will share of your story with the selection committee of the Rotary Scholars program so make sure your essay is interesting and informative. We want everyone to know how great you are!

Please look at the samples below to help spark your creative thinking.

## **Selection Process – All members of the RSP committee**

1. General discussion of selection criteria and priorities
  - a. Live in the service area
  - b. Need financial assistance to pay tuition
  - c. Enrolled/accepted by university and major department
  - d. GPA of 8.0 or higher
  - e. Demonstrated record of service (esp. returning students)
2. Discussion of funds available and funding amounts. This may change year-to-year, especially in the beginning, depending on the amount of money we have and the number of applicants.
  - a. RSP committee will decide how much will be expended and how much will be held in reserve.
  - b. Scholarships in the amount of \$4000 pesos/semester will be awarded until allocated funds are expended.
  - c. NOTE: Amount of scholarship will not exceed amount of tuition
3. Each student's full application packet will be printed and available.
4. Evaluation team will work in pairs
  - a. Triage – Remove applicants who don't meet criteria
  - b. Identify very strong applicants- place in award pile
  - c. Remaining applicants will be deliberated and awards made according to the decision of the committee.
  - d. Final recipients and amounts will be decided by the selection team.
5. All applicants notified of funding decision and the next steps for them to take to receive the funds.

## **Fund Distribution Method**

Funds will be distributed in:

Semester Programs – October and January      Quarter  
Programs – October, January, and May

**Recipients will bring:**

**1. Service Documentation –**

- Written description of what you did and what you learned (1-2 pages) include pictures and/or video
- Prepare a short presentation (2-3 minutes) to Rotary Club (Live, poster presentation or via video)

**2. Official copy of grades from past semester**

**3.. Receipt for payment of fees for current semester**

- For cash reimbursements

**4. Government issued ID to be scanned as 501(c)3 verification.**

**Rotary will bring:**

- 1. Cash or payment type- discussed below**
- 2. Cell phone photo to scan necessary records**

**Fund Distribution Meeting room will be set up in 3 areas. Student proceeds to each center in order.**

1<sup>st</sup> General Info. Center - Check contact information is current, get photo release signed, get copy of grades.

2<sup>nd</sup> Service Center – Turn in documentation and verification of service work and develop upcoming service plan.

3<sup>rd</sup> Payment Center - Rotary Purser receives receipt for payment of fees from current semester, distributes funds in the matter decided upon and has recipient sign for them.

## **Donor Recruitment**

### **BROCHURE**

1. Design program brochure for distribution to other Rotary clubs and individuals. Include QR code.

### **WEBSITE ([RotaryScholarsProgram.org](https://RotaryScholarsProgram.org))**

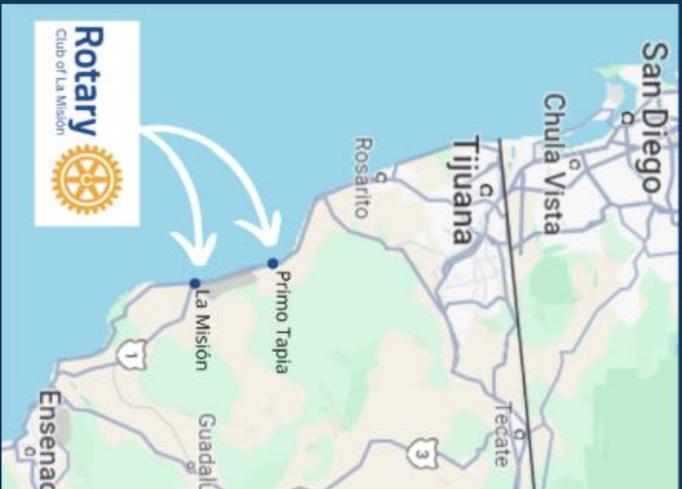
2. Develop LM Rotary website to include:
  - a. Scholarship Program description
  - b. Donation pages and links for
    - i. Rotary clubs,
    - ii. individuals,
    - iii. other groups
  - c. Application Forms, instructions, and guidance for online applicants
  - d. Showcase for the scholars and program

### **CLUB PRESENTATION MATERIALS**

1. Develop packet of materials for LM Rotary members to promote program to other clubs.
  - a. PowerPoint presentation
  - b. Short video of student
  - c. Brochures to distribute to other clubs

# Establish a Scholarship

- In Your Name
- In Your Club's Name
- In Honor of Someone
- In Memory of a Loved One



## Contact Us

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# Rotary Scholars Program

University  
Scholarships  
La Misión Rotary Club





## Annual Scholarship \$40/month or \$480/year

Any amount appreciated

Our current scholars are studying  
in a variety of fields including:

- Business Administration
- Tourism Administration
- Industrial Engineering
- Education
- Criminology & Forensics
- Psychology

## About the Program

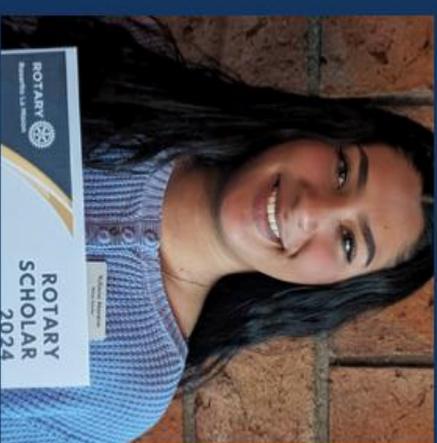
Our Rotary members see the potential in local students who have the skills and aspirations to go on to university, but struggle to meet the financial demands.

Our club is committed to supporting these students in achieving their professional goals and building their communities.

## Get Involved



Scan the QR code  
for more information  
on this scholarship program.



## **DONOR RETENTION**

All donors receive a thank you letter in appreciation of their donation. Donors at the full scholarship level are recognized on our site with a banner on the Donor's Page.

(<https://www.rotaryscholarsprogram.org/our-donors> )

Donors at the semester scholarship level are recognized on the donor's Wall on our website.

The donors are introduced to the Scholars as they enter the program through the bi-monthly, Scholar produced Newsletter.

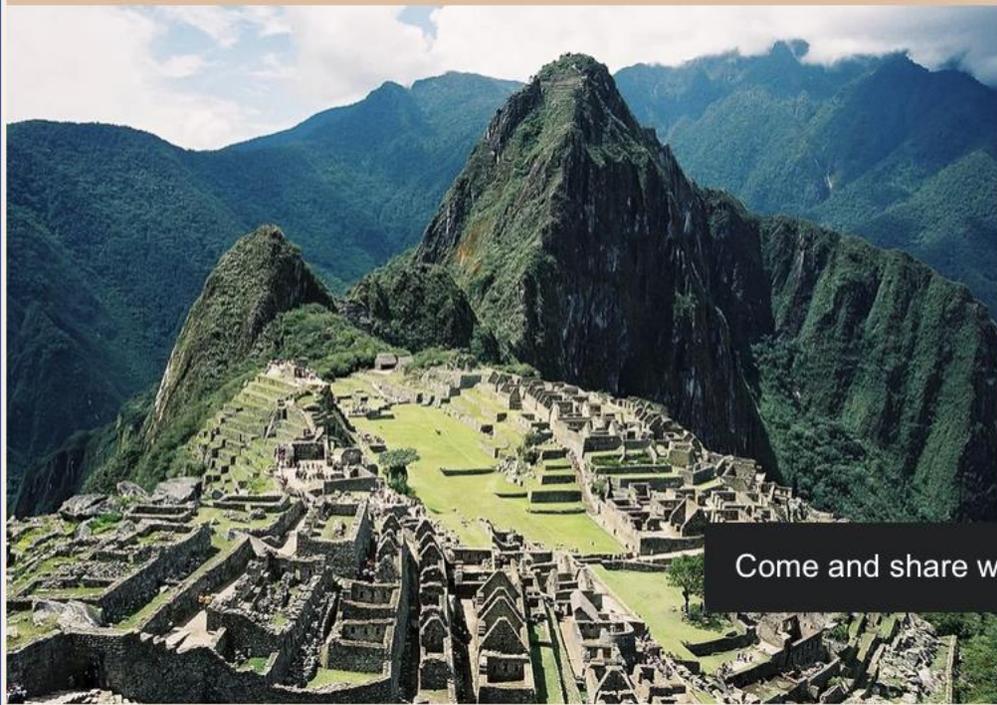
Scholarships can be made in honor of or in memory of a loved one. We have a memorial scholarship funded by our club in memory of one of our dedicated members who recently passed away.

# Emilio de la Fuente Memorial

*Scholarship for Science and Engineering*

This scholarship is dedicated to the memory of a  
lifelong civil engineer and visionary member of...

[Read more](#)



# Covina Rotary Club

*"Greatest Rotary Club in the World"*

Covina Rotary Club's Field of Valor project raises funds to provide assistance to our local Veterans,...

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# Rotary Scholars

Bi-Monthly Newsletter

## Notes from Yuliana

### MY SUPERPOWER

I can milk cows! I learned how to milk when I was little and my dad would give me a glass of hot milk and chocolate every morning I got up to go with him to feed and milk the cows. I have raised mice, dogs, cats, calves, pigs, and sheep from the time they were very small animals. My superpower is being able to care for animals and cure them when they are badly injured.

### MY CHALLENGES

A challenge I have is getting to school. I take a bus for an hour to the bus station, then I take a taxi to my university. When my classes finish, I have to wait two hours for the return bus and I arrive very late at my house. These long days are especially difficult because I am a mother and I leave my daughter in the care of my grandmother. This is difficult for my grandmother as she has many tasks to complete and my 3 year old daughter has a lot of energy.



*Felipe works with students and parents to improve achievement*

### EXTRAORDINARY VOLUNTEER EFFORTS IN SANTA ANITA

The Knowledge Zone is a Saturday school to support children with learning problems, this project was carried out as support to the community for free. During my classes, the importance of mental health and social values such as respect, empathy, solidarity, among others, are taught.

Also this year we implemented a new project for the care of emotions in young people and adults. One of my personal goals is that this educational workshop project continues to evolve to have a greater reach in the community and to provide even more varied topics on psychology and emotional and physical care.

Another of the activities that I do to serve the community is supporting the Social Care Module in Santa Anita. This is one of the activities that I enjoy because I can have a closer relationship with the people who live in Santa Anita.

# **ROTARY SCHOLARS Annual Timeline**

**January – Fund Distribution**

**Send newsletter**

**February – Meet with students interested in applying and help them develop college plan and complete application**

**March – Fund Distribution for schools on the quarter system**

**Send newsletter**

**Applications due**

**April – Rotary Scholars Committee awards Scholarships**

**May- Send newsletter (Scholar Volunteers)**

**July – Send newsletter (Scholar Volunteers)**

**September – Fund Distribution**

**Send newsletter**

**November-Send newsletter**

**Year round- Fund Raising**

## **FUND DISTRIBUTION STEPS**

Scholarship recipients bring

- Copy of grades
- Proof of registration payment
- Documentation of service performed (written, photo, video)
- Government ID

Rotary brings

- Cash
- Creates plan with scholar for upcoming service