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BROWARD COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES

SCHOLARSHIP FOR GOVERNMENT STUDIES APPLICATION

2025-2026 Academic Year

Deadline: February 25, 2026

<http://www.browardleague.org/students/scholarship-program>

The Broward County League of Cities is pleased to announce the 2025-2026 Scholarship Program to promote and provide financial assistance to those pursuing areas of study that benefit municipal government professionalism. Originally chartered in 1957, The Broward League of Cities is a non-partisan, non-profit membership organization, welcoming representation from all of Broward's 31 municipalities. Members work together to promote awareness of municipal services, concerns and accomplishments. Supporting the educational endeavors of students who plan to seek a career in municipal government is aligned with the League's belief that by working together on common goals, municipalities can be more successful in resolving the issues affecting the welfare of Broward County residents at the local, state and federal levels, particularly in challenging times. Read more at www.browardleague.org.

Policies and Procedures

Scholarship Availability

The Broward County League of Cities and its contributing Associate Members will sponsor four (4) individual **\$2,500** scholarships for expenses associated with academic endeavors at a college, university or technical institution for students pursuing studies with a career focus in a government related field. The name of the scholarship is the ***Broward County League of Cities Scholarship for Government Studies***. It is not transferable.

Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for this scholarship, a student must:

- Be a 2026 graduating senior in a Broward County high school, and a permanent resident of Broward County;
- Be pursuing a major in public administration, political science, or a government related field at any accredited college or university or trade school in the United States; and
- Have a minimum cumulative unweighted grade point average of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale), verified by a school transcript.

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Policies and Procedures (continued)

Selection Criteria

- **Preferential consideration** will be given to students who demonstrate:
 - ✓ Dedicated pursuit towards a career in public administration, political science, or any government related field
 - ✓ Involvement in work, volunteer service, or internships in public, government, community, and/or legislative environments
 - ✓ Familiarity of programs & mission of the Broward League of Cities
- The applicant must demonstrate strong communication and leadership skills and show maturity in judgment and purpose.
- Applicant must provide completed application including:
 - ✓ One (1) essay and one (1) personal statement (as outlined on Scholarship Application form)
 - ✓ Two (2) written letters of recommendation from a high school staff member, i.e., counselor, teacher, coach, or administrator, or from a member of the community who is familiar with the applicant's character
 - ✓ A scanned copy of an official transcript must be submitted with application or prior to application deadline
- Applicant **MUST** be available on the date of the interview (3/28/26) to be considered for the scholarship.

Scholarship Award Selection Process

The League's Youth Leadership Committee is comprised of local elected officials along with local business leaders. The Committee reviews all submitted (complete) applications. Semi-finalists selected after the first qualifying round will be contacted by email to arrange for a personal interview by the Committee. Upon completion of the interviews, the Committee makes the final selection. The selection and awarding of scholarships are entirely at the discretion of the Committee, and their decision is final.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Complete applications must be submitted by email to scochrane@browardleague.org by 5:00 PM **February 25, 2026**

Incomplete applications will not be forwarded for consideration

IMPORTANT DATES

February 25, 2026.....Deadline for receipt of applications

March 28, 2026.....Interviews and selection

April 16, 2026.....Awards Dinner Recognition of Recipients.

Scholarship recipients and two guests will be invited to attend the Broward League of Cities General Membership Meeting on April 16, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. for the awarding of scholarships.

CHECKLIST

- Completed Application Form
- One Essay
- One Personal Statement
- Two Letters of Recommendation
- Transcript

For more information, please contact the League Office:

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