

KWHS Local Scholarships 2026

SENIORS ONLY

ROUND 1

Released: 1/30/2026

	SCHOLARSHIP	RELEASED	DUE	CRITERIA	INSTRUCTIONS
1	<u>Brooke Pazo Memorial Scholarship for Fashion</u>	1/30/2026	3/5/2026	(For Fashion Design, Interior Design, Marketing or related majors.)	Turn in to Mrs. Estenoz
2	<u>Lower Duval Merchants "Business & Hospitality Scholarship"</u>	1/30/2026	3/12/2026	Requires a minimum 2.5 GPA. • Applicant must be planning to attend college to study hospitality, mktg., finance, tourism or business related.	Turn in to Mrs. Estenoz
3	<u>G. Ross McKee, Jr. Scholarship for Educational Excellence</u>	1/30/2026	2/27/2026	Requires minimum 3.0 GPA weighted; participation in school clubs or sports and proof of acceptance to a college or university.	Turn in to Mrs. Estenoz
4	<u>Stephen Jones Memorial Scholarship</u>	1/30/2026	2/27/2026	Open to male and female students; preference for participation in sports and choir or performing arts.	Turn in to Mrs. Estenoz
5	<u>Monroe County Bar Association (MCBA)</u>	1/30/2026	4/10/2026	For studies in law enforcement, criminology, paralegal, legal studies, forensics, corrections or related field.	Submit via email to: admin@monroecountybar.net
6	<u>Guide Trust Foundation (GTF)</u>	1/30/2026	4/15/2026	For students pursuing majors in marine affairs, marine biology, enviro. studies and related.	Applications must be emailed by 04/15/26 to: gtrustfoundation@gmail.com
7	<u>The Dexter Lang Butler Memorial Scholarship sponsored by Key West Sunsets Basketball</u>	1/30/2026	3/5/2026	Must be an athlete at KWHS; minimum 2.5 GPA and provide proof of admission to a college, university or vocational/trade school.	Email application to: kwsunsetsbasketball@gmail.com
8	<u>The Leesfield Family Foundation's Dexter Butler Memorial Scholarship</u>	1/30/2026	3/16/2026	For KWHS Basketball seniors.	Email application to: sanchez@leesfield.com
9	<u>Ocean Reef Conservation</u>	1/30/2026	3/5/2025	For students who will pursue degrees in environmental science, marine studies and conservation.	Application available online at: oceanreefconservationassociation.org/scholarships/ Email completed apps to OceanReefConservationAssoc@gmail.com
10	<u>Charles "Charlie" Andrew Smith Memorial Scholarship</u>	1/30/2026	3/27/2026	Requires hockey, baseball or soccer participation. For student attending 4-year university or colleges.	Applications should be emailed to Alex@keysimaging.com
11	<u>Ms. Betty Radics Scholarship Fund</u>	1/30/2026	3/13/2025	For students who will attend college for hospitality, culinary or medical related studies.	Turn in to Mrs. Estenoz
12	<u>Laura Jane Baker Dwyer Scholarship for Black Students</u>	1/30/2026	3/13/2026	For black students only who reside in the City of Key West with a minimum 2.5 GPA who will attend college.	Turn in to Mrs. Estenoz
13	<u>Lucilo Gonzalez Sportsmanship Scholarship</u>	1/30/2026	3/26/2026	Requires minimum 3.0 GPA weighted and participation in high school sports.	Turn in to Mrs. Estenoz
14	<u>Key West Housing Authority (KWA) and KWA Gulf Atlantic</u>	1/30/2026	4/17/2026	For students who reside in certain addresses within the KWHousing Authority- See Mrs. Estenoz	Turn in by email to: young@kwha.org
15	<u>AYSO Scholarship</u>	1/30/2026	3/26/2027	Requires applicant to have volunteered with and played soccer with AYSO.	Turn in by email to: commissioner@keywestsoccer.com

16	<u>Key West Masonic Lodge #64</u>	1/30/2026	3/12/2026	For all any college studies. Requires proof of admission and essay.	Turn into to Mrs. Estenoz
17	<u>Peary Court Residences "Life Just Got Better" Scholarship</u>	1/30/2026	3/12/2026	Requires 3.0 min. GPA; proof of acceptance to a college, university or trade school and min. 75 hours of community service. Interviews required of finalists.	Turn in to to Mrs. Estenoz
18	<u>Kevin Piper Jr. Memorial Fund Scholarship</u>	1/30/2026	3/26/2026	Requires min. 3.0 weighted GPA.	Applications due via email to: K8932@bellsouth.net
ROUND 2 Released: 2/5/2026					
	SCHOLARSHIP	RELEASED	DUE	CRITERIA	INSTRUCTIONS
19	The Isaac Cuervo Archer Memorial "Diamond Fund Scholarship"	2/5/2026	4/9/2026	To support a student with any post-graduation plan, not limited to college. Considers school and sports participation as well as any hardships overcome in high school.	Applications due via email to: Cuervokeywest@comcast.net
20	The Cara Higgins Memorial Scholarship in Memory of Cara Higgins, Esq.	2/5/2026	3/31/2026	For graduates who will attend college for Law, Political Science, Public Policy, Legal Studies, Community Advocacy or Criminal Justice; Requires 3.5 minimum GPA.	Applications due via email to: kwsr.scholarships@gmail.com
21	Lower Keys Medical Center 3 in 1 Scholarships	2/5/2026	3/15/2026	Requires min. 2.5 GPA. Provides 3 different scholarship for nursing and medical related studies to College of the Florida Keys (CFK) and any college or university within Monroe or Dade counties.	Applications due via email to: Lynn.Corbett-Winn@LKMC.com
22	The Raymond Berard Memorial Scholarship	2/5/2026	3/28/2026	For degrees in finance, accounting, economics and related areas. Applicants should have participated in sports (preferably KWHS Baseball).	Applications due via email to: TammyCBerard@gmail.com
23	Dr. Howe Orthodontics Medical Scholarship	2/5/2026	3/13/2026	Must have been a past patient of Dr. Howe and requires 3.5 min. weighted GPA as well as college studies in dental or medical field.	Applications due to Mrs. Estenoz
24	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Celebration Committee	2/5/2026	4/25/2026	Offers a one-time scholarship to assist African American students in furthering their education.	Applications due via email to: MLKSCHOLARSHIPKW@gmail.com
25	Judy Hobbs Memorial Scholarship (SHRM)	2/5/2026	3/11/2026	For majors in Human Resource Management or Business Mgmt. Requires 3.0 min. GPA.	Applications due via email to: JulioJTorrado@gmail.com
26-29	SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB of the CONCH REPUBLIC 4 in 1 Unified Scholarship Application Packet	2/5/2026		Criteria varies for each; see application. Use 1 application to apply for all 4 scholarships. Application available online at http://tinyurl.com/kwsr-scholarships-applications	Submit via email (each one seperatly) to: kwsr.scholarship@gmail.com
26	1. Sunrise Rotary Memorial Scholarship	2/5/2026	4/17/2024	For significant community service. Min. 3.0 GPA	Application available online at http://tinyurl.com/kwsr-scholarships-applications
27	2. Eckwood Solomon/Glynn Archer	2/5/2026	4/17/2024	For scholar athletes. Min 3.0 GPA	Application available online at http://tinyurl.com/kwsr-scholarships-applications
28	3. Sunrise Rotary "Conch Republic"	2/5/2026	4/17/2024	For academic merit & comm. Serv.- 3.0 GPA min.	Application available online at http://tinyurl.com/kwsr-scholarships-applications
29	4. Mike & Debbie Horne Vocational	2/5/2026	4/17/2024	For associate, certificate or vocational college/trade school. Min. 2.0 GPA	Application available online at http://tinyurl.com/kwsr-scholarships-applications

30	Dr. Otha & Betty Cox Memorial Scholarship	2/5/2026	4/2/2026	For Black students who will attend college; Requires a min. 2.5 GPA and at least 50 hrs. of community service completed in FOCUS	Submit via email to: marcelyncox@gmail.com
31	Gail Heintz Scholarship for Nursing	2/5/2026	3/26/2026	Requires a minimum of 3.0 GPA; Proof of acceptance to a nursing or pre-nursing program at a college or university and requires student has taken at least one health science related CTE course beyond HOPE earning a minimum grade of B.	Turn in to Mrs. Estenoz
32	Key West Little Conch Baseball (KWLCB)	2/5/2026	4/2/2026	For students who have played or volunteered in the KWLC Baseball League.	Submit via email to: KWLCBaseball@gmail.com
33	American Legion Auxiliary Scholarship for Nursing	2/5/2026	3/10/2026	Requires that student will pursue college studies for nursing.	Turn in to Mrs. Estenoz
34	Coldwell Banker Schmitt Charitable Foundation Scholarship	2/5/2026	4/1/2026	Requires minimum 100 hours of community service logged in and documented, as well as an essay.	Submit via email to: applications@gooddeedsinthekeys.org
35	Eloy "Rod" Rodriguez Memorial Scholarship	2/5/2026	4/2/2026	Requires 3.0 GPA and must have played KWHS Baseball or KWHS Softball.	
36	Franklin Stevens, Jr. Memorial Scholarships	2/5/2026	4/2/2026	For students who have participated in KWHS Band or Info. Technology classes and will pursue computer science related degree.	Turn in to Mrs. Estenoz
37	Frankie Gutierrez Jr. Memorial Scholarship (Firefighting/EMT/Paramedic, Sports/Outdoorsman)	2/6/2026	4/9/2026	Requires 2.5 minimum GPA; participation in sports at KWHS and avid outdoors enthusiast. Preference for baseball and firefighter program participants.	Turn in to Mrs. Estenoz
38	First State Bank Scholarship for Business Majors	2/6/2026	3/13/2026	For Business and Finance Majors. Requires minimum 3.0 GPA.	Apply online at: https://www.keysbank.com/high-school-business-scholarship-2026
39	First State Bank "Diego Caso Memorial Scholarship"	2/6/2026	3/13/2026	For Business and Finance Majors. Requires minimum 3.0 GPA.	Apply online at: https://www.keysbank.com/high-school-business-scholarship-2026
ROUND 3 Released: 2/20/2026					
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40	Coach Darrel Leto "Papa Leto" Memorial Football Scholarship 	2/19/2026	3/26/2026	Must have played Key West High football, preferably all 4 years of high school.	Turn into Mrs. Estenoz.
41	ZONTA INTERNATIONAL: "Young Women In Leadership Award" Scholarship	2/20/2026	3/11/26 for rec. letter 03/12 for application	Criteria: Female students only; active in Community volunteerism; school leadership and 2 recommendation letters required.	Application due online by March 12 to ZontaKeyWest@gmail.com . Reference letters due March 11 by postage mail to: Zonta Key West, P.O. Box 184, Key West, FL 33041
42	VOICES: The Carol Parker Scholarship Fund	2/20/2026	4/1/2026	For individuals who have been involved with a Guardian ad Litem or are otherwise in need. This includes foster, and adopted children as well as children that are victims of felonious crimes and under the auspices of the court at some time.	Application due to Mrs. Estenoz.

43	Sloppy Joe's Foundation Music Scholarship 	2/20/2026	4/10/2026	Provides a scholarship for students pursuing music related studies. 3.0 GPA min. Requires that student has participated in music performance or band while in high school.	Application due to Mrs. Estenoz.
44	Jonathan Wells Memorial Scholarship (Preference for Softball/Baseball)	2/20/2026	4/2/2026	For scholar/athlete with participation in KWHS sports. Min. 2.5 GPA required. Proof of acceptance to a college or university.	Application due to Mrs. Estenos and a video must be submitted online by the applicant as instructed on the application.
45	Mr. Sands Memorial Legacy Scholarship for Community Keepers sponsored by Key West Housing Authority	2/20/2026	4/9/2026	Requires minimum 2.5 GPA and a minimum of 100 hours of community service. Applicant must have demonstrated high levels of character and integrity.	Due to Mrs. Estenoz
ROTARY CLUB OF KEY WEST: 4 SCHOLARSHIPS					
46	Rotary Club of Key West Andy Griffiths Scholarship for Education Majors	2/20/2026	3/15/2026	Requires minimum GPA of 2.5; Have a FAFSA Student Aid Index of \$30,000 or less and will attend an accredited univeristy or college to obtain a degree in education.	Complete and submit application online at keywestrotaryscholarships@gmail.com
47	Rotary Club of Key West Robert G. Walker Memorial Scholarship	2/20/2026	3/28/2026	Minimum 2.5 GPA. Requires 300 minimum hours of community service.	Complete and submit application online at keywestrotaryscholarships@gmail.com
48	Rotary Club of Key West <i>Paul J. Sher Memorial</i> Scholarship	2/20/2026	3/15/2026	Requires min. GPA 3.5 unweighted; min. SAT score of 1100 or ACT 22; a minimum of 8 AP and/or DE classes and min 100 CS Hours; FAFSA Student Aid Index of less than \$20,000	Complete and submit application online at keywestrotaryscholarships@gmail.com
49	Rotary Club of Key West Greg O'Berry Arts Scholarship	2/20/2026	3/28/2026	Requires a minimum 2.5 GPA; FAFSA Student Aid Index of less than \$20,000 and that the aplicant has participated in at least one visual or performing arts program or activity.	Complete and submit application online at keywestrotaryscholarships@gmail.com
50	Elma Lillian Whitehead Memorial Nursing Scholarship	2/20/2026	4/2/2026	Requires minimum 2.5 GPA; minimum 75 hours of community service and proof of acceptance to university or college for nursing studies.	Turn in to Mrs. Estenoz
51	Sugarloaf School P.T.O. Scholarship	2/20/2026	4/2/2026	Requires that student has previously attended Sugarloaf School and 2.5 min GPA.	Turn in to Mrs. Estenoz
ROUND 3 continued Released: 2/20/2026					
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52	Jamie Gill "Spirit of Life" Scholarship 	2/20/2026	4/9/2026	For a senior student-athlete who demonstrates strong character, empathy, and enthusiasm for life; has participated in athletics; plans to pursue post-secondary education; and embodies leadership, perseverance.	Turn in to Mrs. Estenoz
53	Key West Association of Realtors (KWAR)	2/20/2026	3/25/2026	Requires minimum 3.0 GPA and acceptance to a college or university.	Turn in to Mrs. Estenoz
54	Sons & Daughters of Italy, Key West Lodge #2436	2/20/2026	3/31/2026	Applicants must be of Italian descent through at least one parent or grandparent.	Submit application via email to: sonsanddaughterskeywest@gmail.com
KEY WEST CHAMBER OF COMMERCE					

55	HONOR ROLL 100/ CHARLEY P. & ORSOLINA TOPPINO SCHOLARSHIP	2/20/2026	3/20/2026	Committee considers financial need, personal need, and high academic achievement. Finalists are interviewed.	Apply and submit online at keywestchamber.org/scholarships
56	KW Chamber of Commerce "Mosher" Vocational (for degrees requiring 2 years or less)	2/20/2026	3/28/2026	Requires proof of acceptance to a college or vocational/tech. school.	Apply and submit online at keywestchamber.org/scholarships
57	KW Chamber of Commerce "Appelrouth" (for high community service)	2/20/2026	3/15/2026	Strong community service, mid-range GPA and show financial need. Finalists are interviewed.	Apply and submit online at keywestchamber.org/scholarships
ROUND 4 continued Released: 2/27/2026					
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58	United Way of Collier and the Keys Marine Science Scholarship	2/27/2026	4/24/2026	<i>For marine science and marine technology degree programs. Eligibility: Must be a full-time Monroe County resident for the past 24 months. Must demonstrate involvement in Florida Keys marine science activities. Min. 2.5 GPA</i>	Apply online starting 2/27/26 online at: https://uwcollierkeys.org/marine-science-scholarship/
59	Izaak Walton League of America- FL Keys Chapter	2/27/2026	4/20/2026	<i>For graduates going to college for some aspect of environmental science, i.e., biology, oceanography, marine science, natural resources management, etc.</i>	
60	Key West Garden Club Scholarship	2/27/2026	4/10/2026	<i>For students accepted to a college or university to study: agriculture, biology, botany, conservation, ecology, environmental science, forestry, landscape design/architecture, city planning, or related fields.</i>	Submit application online to: scholarships@cffk.org
61	College of the Florida Keys (CFK): Board of Trustee (BOT) and Board of Directors (BOD) Scholarships	2/27/2026	3/29/2026	<i>For students who have been accepted to CFK. BOT requires a minimum 3.0 GPA and BOD requires a minimum 2.2 GPA</i>	Complete and submit application online at: https://cfk.academicworks.com/
62	Key West Art & Historical Society	2/27/2026	4/10/2026	<i>Requires minimum 3.5 GPA (w); 75 hours of community service and essay.</i>	Submit to Mrs. Estenoz
63	Key West Gator Club Scholarship	2/27/2026	4/10/2026	<i>Requires student has been admitted to University of Florida.</i>	Submit to Mrs. Estenoz
64	Caleb E. Hiller Aerospace and Engineering	2/27/2026	3/29/2026	<i>Requires minimum 3.0 GPA and that student will pursue 4 years of study in college.</i>	Submit to Mrs. Estenoz
65	The JoAnn Mingo Webster Memorial Scholarship for School Spirit	2/27/2026	3/29/2026	<i>Awarded to a student who demonstrates Conch school spirit, good character and will pursue college or university studies.</i>	Submit to Mrs. Estenoz

66	Katie Higgs-Wyrwicki Memorial Scholarship For Culinary Studies and Creative Careers	2/27/2026	4/10/2026	<i>Candidate must demonstrate a passion for the culinary arts, related business or a creative career as demonstrated by performance in the classroom, as well as volunteer service to community culinary programs serving the elderly, children or the needy.</i>	Submit to Mrs. Estenoz
67	RICHARD B. & NINA JO WARDLOW Memorial Scholarship	2/27/2026	4/10/2026	<i>Requires a minimum GPA of 2.0. The scholarship is for a student to attend a Florida State Fire Marshall Bureau of Fire Standards and Training certified firefighting training facility.</i>	Submit to Mrs. Estenoz
68	Sunset Rotary Club of Key West Bobby Menendez CONCH PRIDE SCHOLARSHIP	2/27/2026	4/2/2026	<i>Min. 3.0 GPA and demonstrated Conch Pride.</i>	Email application to: kwnole@bellsouth.net
68	Sunset Rotary Club of Key West Manny Madruga Memorial Scholarship	2/27/2026	4/2/2026	<i>Min. 3.0 GPA and going to college for law, law enforcement, criminology, forensics are related studies.</i>	Email application to: kwnole@bellsouth.net