

I.O.O.F. Rebekah Assembly of New Mexico, Inc.  
Bettye Miller Memorial Scholarship

The Bettye Miller Memorial scholarship fund was established by the Rebekah Assembly, Independent Order of Odd Fellows of New Mexico in memory of Bettye Miller of Jal, New Mexico, a dedicated Rebekah who devoted her life to the principles of steadfast friendship and eternal love and in support of the youth of our Order.

This award is presented by the Rebekah Assembly to assist deserving persons in furthering their education.

Scholarships will be awarded each academic year to students attending either an institution of higher learning (schools which have a 4-year Degree program), an accredited Online Institution, a Technical-Vocational school or a Community College with a program of 2 years or less. The number and amount of scholarships will be determined by the donations and grants received by the fund.

Order affiliation is not necessary to apply for a scholarship; however, Order affiliation will be a factor in scores awarded each applicant.

Application forms may be obtained from any Odd Fellow or Rebekah lodge in New Mexico or from the Secretary of the Scholarship Committee or can be downloaded from the Rebekah Assembly website [www.nmrebekahs.org](http://www.nmrebekahs.org).

Any male or female student entering their sophomore, junior, or senior year may apply for a scholarship to attend an institution of higher learning by submitting:

1. A completed application form.
2. A copy of a transcript of grades, courses, and hours. It must show a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 basis and at least 27 hours completed.
3. A brief typed or handwritten autobiography which includes their interests, extra curricular activities, goals, and future plans if awarded a scholarship.
4. Three (3) references from people that have known the applicant for at least one (1) year and are not related to the applicant. Each letter of reference must be mailed directly to the Secretary of the Scholarship Committee or sealed in a separate envelope with the signature of the author across the seal and mailed with the application form.
5. Proof of enrollment as a full-time student in an accredited institution.
6. If attending an Online institution, information and documentation of accreditation of the institution must be included with the application.

Any person may apply for a scholarship for training at a technical-vocational institution or community college by submitting:

1. A completed application forms.
2. A proof of high school diploma or (General Equivalent Diploma G.E.D.).
3. A brief or typed handwritten autobiography which includes their interests, extra curricular activities, goals, and future plans if awarded a scholarship.
4. Three (3) references from people that have known the applicant for at least one (1) year and are not related to the applicant. Each letter of reference must be mailed directly to the Secretary of the Scholarship Committee or sealed in a separate envelope with the signature of the author across the seal and mailed with the application form.
5. Proof of acceptance to a technical-vocational institution/community college.

**All applicants must submit a new application package each year to be considered for a scholarship.**

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To be considered, each applicant's package must be complete including letters of reference which may have been mailed separately. All application information **must be postmarked on or before July 1** and mailed to:

Bettye Miller Scholarship  
Barbara Corfield, Secretary/Treasurer  
PO Box 9444  
Albuquerque, NM 87119-9444

Each completed application package will be reviewed and rated by each Scholarship Trustee on a scale of 0 – 10 for the following four areas: 1.) Autobiography, 2.) Financial Need, 3.) Order Affiliation, 4.) References. Maximum score is 40 points per Trustee for a total of 120 points. The recipient and their educational institution will be advised of the scholarship amount award by August 15. Unsuccessful applicants may request their score by sending a self addressed stamped envelope to the Secretary of the Committee.

All scholarships shall be paid as follows:

- Institutions of Higher Learning – one-half (1/2) the award will be paid at the start of the academic year and the balance at the start of the second semester upon presentation of the official transcript showing of the hours required by that institution for a full-time student and a minimum grad point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 basis.
- Technical-Vocational Institutions – Depending of the type of Technical/Vocation institution, grant may be paid in full at the beginning of the course of study or training based on the requirements of the institution. Community College – one-half (1/2) the award will be paid at the beginning of the course of study. The remainder of the award will be paid when the course is half completed upon receipt of official transcript showing of the hours required by that institution for a full-time student and a minimum grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 basis.

**Non-Discrimination Policy**

“The Odd Fellows and Rebekahs will not discriminate against any individual on the basis of disability. The I.O.O.F. will make reasonable modifications to policies, practices, or procedures when such modifications are necessary to afford its services and facilities to individuals with disabilities, unless the modifications would fundamentally alter the nature of its services. The I.O.O.F. will not exclude any individual with a disability from full and equal enjoyment of its services and facilities, unless the individual poses a direct threat to the health or safety of others or him/herself, that cannot be eliminated by modification of policies, practices or procedures or by the provision of auxiliary aids or services. The I.O.O.F. will not exclude any individual from the full and equal enjoyment of its services and facilities because of the individual's association with a person with a disability.

Any individual may request a modification in policies, practices or procedures or the provision of auxiliary aids or services by contacting The I.O.O.F. NON DISCRIMINATION POLICY REQUEST, 422 N. Trade Street, Winston Salem, NC 27101.”

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**Please read all the information about this scholarship BEFORE filling out this application form.**

Answer all questions and follow the directions. These forms must be complete.  
All application information **must be postmarked on or before July 1** for any applicant to be considered for this scholarship.

Please print or type.

A. **Type of scholarship needed:** \_\_\_ Institution of Higher Learning *or* \_\_\_ Technical-Vocational/Community College

1. Name of institution: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

B. **General Information:**

1. Applicant's name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Age: \_\_\_ (First) (Middle) (Last)
2. Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street, Apt., Etc.)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(city) (state) (zip)
3. Address at school: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street, Apt., Etc.)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(city) (state) (zip)
4. Phone Number (Work) (Home)

*If there is an address change before or after the scholarship is awarded, please notify the Secretary of the Committee.*

C. **Marital / Family Status:**

1. Married: \_\_\_ Name of spouse: \_\_\_\_\_  
Does your spouse attend school? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Single: \_\_\_ Do you live with parent(s) or guardian(s) when not in school? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Name and Ages of Dependents: \_\_\_\_\_

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D. **Financial Information:**

1. Support available from parent(s), guardian(s), or other family members or friends:  
Amount per Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Month: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Scholarships and/or Grants (Including ROTC and Social Security Income):

Name / Description	Amount
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

3. Loans:

Type	Amount
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
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4. Factors Bearing on Financial Need

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E. **Work Support:**

1. Do you work? \_\_\_\_\_ Hours per Week \_\_\_\_\_ Salary: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Work: \_\_\_\_\_

2. (If Married) Does your spouse work? \_\_\_\_\_ Hours/Week \_\_\_\_\_ Salary: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Work: \_\_\_\_\_

F. **Professional Preparation:**

1. Institutions of Higher Learning:

a. Major Field of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

b. Hours completed toward major: \_\_\_\_\_

c. Total hours completed: \_\_\_\_\_

d. Cumulative grade point average: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Technical – Vocational Institutions:

a. Major Field of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

b. Hours needed to complete the course: \_\_\_\_\_

c. Completed hours (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

d. Satisfactory progress (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

G. **Independent Order of Odd Fellows Affiliation:**

(Applicant, Parents, Grand Parents, Other) \_\_\_\_\_

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H. **References (all must submit letters of recommendation):**

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

I. **Applicant's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_