Optimist Club of Helena Scholarship
at Helena College

Deadline for Academic Year 2019-2020:
Deadline December 4, 2019

Two scholarships in the amount of $500 will be made available each year to degree seeking Helena College students, by the Optimist Club of Helena, whom are entering their second semester in any program.

Eligibility Criteria:

1. At least 3.0 GPA;
2. Entering second semester at Helena College;
3. Must be in good academic standing.

Selection Decision:

Scholarship Committee: The Optimist Club of Helena will select recipient.

Each scholarship recipient will write an acknowledgement letter (thank you) to the donor.

Application Procedure & Criteria:

1. Complete this application form and return it to the Financial Aid Office on or before the deadline.
2. 1-2 page essay explaining future goals and how this scholarship would allow you reach these goals.
3. Attach two (2) completed reference forms (one academic), you may submit letters of recommendation, but they are optional.
Name ___________________________________________________

Address ___________________________________________________

City ________________________________ State ____________ Zip _____________

Telephone Number ________________________________

Program of Study ____________________________________________

The scholarship committee/Helena College may submit a notice of the award to the local newspaper or use the award information in public relations documents. The award information may include your name, program and dollar amount awarded. By signing this form you acknowledge and agree that this information may be disclosed.

Signature _____________________________________________ Date ______________

Submit completed application and material to Helena College Financial Aid Office at 1115 North Roberts Street, Helena, MT 59601.

The deadline for the 2019-2020 Optimist Club of Helena Scholarship is December 4, 2019.

Office Use Only:

GPA: ________________ Date Received:
SECTION I: To Be Completed by the Applicant
Name ____________________________________________

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Student Signature ____________________________________________ Date ______________

SECTION II: To Be Completed By Evaluator

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What is your overall recommendation?

☐ Recommend with Confidence  ☐ Recommend  ☐ Recommend with Reservations  ☐ Do Not Recommend

I may have concerns about this student. Please contact me.

☐ Yes  ☐ No

Preferred contact method:  ☐ Phone  ☐ Email

Evaluator’s Name ________________________________________________________________

Organization/Institution/Department _____________________________________________

Title _______________________________________________________________________

Address _____________________________________________________________________

Phone Number __________________ Email _________________________________________

Signature of Evaluator _______________________________ Date ________________
Scholarship Reference Form 2
Optimist Club Scholarship

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