



The annual Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Scholarship Program supports students working toward long-term career goals in planning or public service. The program provides a \$4,000 scholarship award for seven high school or community college students from the SCAG region. Two additional scholarship awards not tied to a specific county may also be awarded at the Regional Council's discretion. Recipients may also have an opportunity to meet with their local government representatives and practicing planners to discuss the importance of urban planning and a future career in public service.

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2024

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

RESIDENCY

Must be a resident within the SCAG region (i.e., Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, or Ventura counties, or on Tribal Lands within the SCAG region), and be eligible to work in the United States. Students may be asked to submit proof of eligibility to work in the United States if selected as a semi-finalist.

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

Must be a graduating high school senior or currently enrolled in a two-year community college in the SCAG region. Graduating high school seniors must enroll in higher education (two- or four-year college or university) immediately following graduation from high school (i.e., no gap year).

GPA MINIMUM

Candidates must have a 3.0 grade point average or higher (based on a 4.0, unweighted scale).

DEADLINE

All materials for the 2024 SCAG Scholarship Program must be submitted electronically by:

Friday, March 22, 2024

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APPLICATION MATERIALS

- To apply for the SCAG Scholarship Program, students must submit an [online application](#).
- Minimum 500-word essay describing their interest in urban planning, public policy and/or public service and future career goals.
- Two letters of recommendation from (unrelated) individuals who can attest to their leadership ability and interest in public service.
- Transcript(s) from the school in which they are currently enrolled. Community college students must provide both high school and community college transcripts.

Application packages that demonstrate an interest in urban planning, public policy and/or public service and/or intended majors such as urban planning, environmental planning, engineering and/or political science, will be prioritized over application packages that do not.

INTERNSHIP & SCAG SITE VISIT OPPORTUNITY

An internship or visit to SCAG offices in Los Angeles to attend a Regional Council meeting are not required. Interested candidates can contact SCAG's Scholarship Program Coordinator for more information.



APPLY ONLINE TODAY: scag.ca.gov/scholarship