

ESTARL Scholarship Rules, CBL Section 122A
For Awards to be made in 2026

Each submitted application will be evaluated as (Met/Not Met) using the following criteria:

1. Eligibility:
 - A. Applicant may be male or female and must be an Oregon resident with a permanent home residence in Oregon.
 - B. No OES or Masonic membership or relationship is required; however, the applicant must be sponsored by an Oregon Eastern Star Chapter and the Official Seal of that Chapter must be imprinted on the completed application.
 - C. Applicant must be morally suitable for membership in the Order of the Eastern Star as affirmed by the sponsoring OES Chapter.
 - D. Applicants must not be currently under supervision of county, state or federal judicial system.
 - E. Applicants may apply for and receive awards in subsequent years.
 - F. Academic records/transcript must be submitted for all years of study, including the last semester or quarter completed.
 - G. Applicants must attend, or plan to enroll in, an accredited institution, e.g. one accredited by:
Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges, American Association of Schools of Religious Education, American Association of Theological Schools or by an accrediting body. This can be looked up with the institution or by going to <https://ope.ed.gov/dapip/#/home>. You must list this on the application with the school's number to call for verification or clarification .
 - H. Applicants must secure required letters of recommendation describing the likelihood for the applicant's opportunities for full time religious vocation, together with an area for future religious service.
 - I. Applications may be submitted to the ESTARL AWARDS COMMITTEE any time after January 1st when applications are posted on the website. **ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE MAY 15,2025** for renewal or for new applications.
2. Complete the Application Package by the published deadline.
 - a. Application form
 - b. Cover letter
 - c. Financial Statement
 - d. Letter of Recommendation
 - e. Sponsoring Order of Eastern Star Chapter Certification
3. Purpose of the ESTARL Committee – The most important thing about this committee is that we should not be focused on any possible technical error in the application process. We need to evaluate the larger picture to determine that the candidate is pursuing a line of study that conforms with the goal and intent of the ESTARL Scholarship.
4. Process of the Scholarship Committee
 - a. The Scholarship Committee reviews applications on a rolling basis.
 - b. If an application is received prior to the deadline and the packet is determined to be incomplete, the Scholarship Committee will make an effort to contact the applicant to cure the deficiency.

- c. Following the closure of the application period, the Committee prepares a list of all the applicants who submitted a complete application package by the deadline and met all the eligibility requirements.
- d. The Grand Treasurer will provide the committee with the amount available to be awarded. Winners will be determined by the following criteria:
 - i. Review of the committee
 - ii. Academic standing, grade point average
 - iii. Letters of recommendation
 - iv. Financial need
- e. Selection and determination of the award amounts will be as follows:
 - i. Scholarships will be split into categories depending on how many applicants.
 - 1. Scholarship 1 will be given to a new applicant and will receive no more than up to 50% of the overall available amount
 - 2. Scholarship 2+ will be given to a new or renewing applicant(s) and it will be split between the remaining funds.
- f. This list is ratified by the ESTARL Scholarship Committee as the scholarship recipients for the year and submitted to the Finance Committee and WGM (CBL 122A) for final approval.

**EASTERN STAR TRAINING AWARDS FOR RELIGIOUS LEADERSHIP (ESTARL)
GRAND CHAPTER OF OREGON, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR**

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Document #	Name	Needed for Submission
1	Cover Letter	No
2	Contents List	No
3	Chapter Info	No
4	Rules of E.S.T.A.R.L. Awards	No
5	Application Form	Yes
6	Sponsoring Order of Eastern Star Chapter Certification	Yes
7	ESTARL Scholarship awards: financial Statement	Yes
8	Letter of Recommendation format and information (This document itself is not needed but multiple recommendations are needed)	No

GRAND CHAPTER OF OREGON ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Cover Letter for ESTARL Applicant's

Thank you for your interest in the Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership (ESTARL) scholarship program. The Order of the Eastern Star is the largest fraternal organization in the world to which both men and women may belong. Its purposes are beneficent, and it places great value on education. Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership (ESTARL) is one of the oldest of several major scholarship funds that the Order sponsors. The Committee seeks candidates that are of excellent moral character, who emulate those characteristics of leadership that can serve the institution or profession, to which the applicant aspires.

As an applicant for the ESTARL scholarship, you will need to have your application sponsored by a local chapter of the Eastern Star. Please set up a meeting with one of our chapters. In the application, you will find resources to identify and make contact with a local chapter near you. This meeting is to give each; the applicant and the sponsoring organization, an opportunity to learn about each other and to verify that the applicant meets the values and spirit of this scholarship. You may share with the chapter any info you like but all confidential items, such as financial information, is not required for sponsorship. We ask that you share your academic and social services achievements as this will assist us in getting to know you and your vision for serving in a religious leadership role. If the chapter decides to sponsor you, then we will give you a completed SPONSORING ORDER OF EASTERN STAR CHAPTER CERTIFICATION (which is included in this packet for you to take and have completed). They may also give a letter of recommendation to you in a sealed envelope for inclusion in the application packet, but it is not required.

Enclosed you will find a list of all the needed forms, the forms themselves, information on how to reach the committee, and find a local chapter. All information will be treated confidentially. All forms must be submitted to the committee for review. Any incomplete applications will be disqualified from consideration.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration and response to this request. Please to not hesitate to contact the E.S.T.A.R.L. committee if you have questions.

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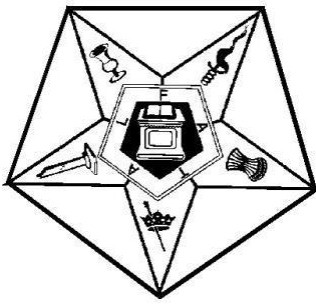
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CHAPTER OF OREGON, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Chapter Info

This document is to help you find a chapter to sponsor your application. The most up to date info can be found at http://www.oregonoes.org/chapter_links.html. Once you have found a chapter that is near your location. Please contact: Don Broxson, Chairman.

Don.broxson@gmail.com. She should be able to get you a contact with that local chapter.

City	Chapter Name	City	Chapter Name
Albany	Barzillai # 16	Newberg	Newberg # 55
Astoria	Maple #95	North Bend	Doric #53
Baker City	Esther # 11	Ontario	Golden Rule # 131
Beaverton	Beaver # 106	Ontario	Star # 69
Brooks	Gervais # 118	Oregon City	Pioneer #28
Clatskanie	Wabanang # 127	Pendleton	Bushee # 19
Cottage Grove	Cottage Grove # 4	Portland	Valiant-Sellwood # 92
Creswell	Creswell Star # 96	Portland	Mt Scott # 110
Dallas	Naomi # 22	Portland	Friendship Rose # 148
Elgin	Blue Mountain # 52	Portland	Parkrose # 151
Eugene	Meridian # 179	Prineville	Central Oregon # 23
Forest Grove	Home Star # 187	Redmond	Redmond # 109
Grants Pass	Josephine # 26	Reedsport	Martha # 48
Grants Pass	Rogue River Daylight # 186	Roseburg	Oregon Rose # 91
Hillsboro	Tualatin # 31	Salem	Trinity # 175
Independence	Adah # 34	St Helens	Mizpah # 30
Jacksonville	Adarel # 3	Sumpter	Alpine # 82
Joseph	Joseph's Valley # 50	Sherwood	Tigard Orenomah # 174
La Grande	Hope # 13	Tillamook	Silver Wave # 18
Lebanon	Marguerite # 60	Turner	Victoria # 76
Medford	Reames #66	Union	Grande Ronde Valley # 49
Milwaukie	Daphne # 139	Woodburn	Evergreen # 41



ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR GRAND CHAPTER OF OREGON

2026 RULES OF ESTARL AWARDS

A PROSPECTIVE APPLICANT MAY REQUEST AN APPLICATION PACKET FROM THE OREGON GRAND CHAPTER OFFICE AT ANY TIME TO ALLOW AMPLE TIME TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY AND FULLY COMPLETE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE AWARD.

1. Applicant may be male or female and must be an Oregon resident with a permanent home residence in Oregon.
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7. Applicants must attend, or plan to enroll in, an accredited institution, e.g. one accredited by Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges, American Association of Schools of Religious Education, American Association of Theological Schools or by an accrediting body. This can be looked up with the institution or by going to <https://ope.ed.gov/dapip/#/home>. You must list this on the application with the school's number to call for verification or clarification.
8. Applicants must secure required letters of recommendation as well as a statement from a denominational leader who can describe the likelihood for the applicant's opportunities for full time religious vocation, together with area for future religious service.
9. Application may be submitted to the chairman of the ESTARL AWARDS COMMITTEE any time after January 1st when applications post. ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE MAY 15, 2026, for renewal or for new applications.

Questions or requests for information or clarification should be sent to the ESTARL Chairperson

The applicant should use the list at the bottom of the application to determine whether he or she has all the material required and send the completed form, records, letters of recommendation, and financial statement in one (1) envelope to:

Don Broxson, Chairman

E.S.T.A.R.L Committee, Oregon Order of the Eastern Star

Phone: 503-580-5560

Email: don.broxson@gmail.com

99 Ankeny Hill Rd

Jefferson, OR 97352

8. For what vocation or specialty are you preparing?_ Specify or describe one or more particular areas of religious services you wish to enter:

9. Do you plan to make this your lifework? _

10. I am a member of_ (church, temple, mosque, etc.) at

11. Have you been or are you now the recipient of an ESTARL award? (List amount and year received): _

12. Attach the Following items:

- A. A copy of full academic record/transcript, including last quarter or semester you were enrolled in college. If this is a Renewal, Bring Records Up To Date.
- B. Sealed Letter(s) of Recommendation from at least 1 but no more than 3 from the following list:
 - 1 Pastor/Minister/Clergy
 - 2 Other Religious Leader or key volunteer
 - 3 School Personnel, such as the Administrator of Faculty, Dean (Director) of School, Professor of your Department of Major, Dean of Students, or Advisor (Counselor) of the Institution you last attended.
- C. Personal Letter telling us why this scholarship will assist you in completing your academic goals, future endeavors and what campus and faith related activities you've been involved in.
- D. Financial Statement (Form enclosed)
- E. Certification from sponsoring Oregon OES Chapter with Chapter Seal.

ALL THE INFORMATION REQUESTED MUST BE SENT DIRECTLY TO THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE ESTARL AWARDS SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE NO LATER THAN MAY 15, 2025.

Signature of Applicant:_ Date_ SPONSORING ORDER OF EASTERN STAR CHAPTER CERTIFICATION

Name of sponsoring Chapter_

Name(s) of Chapter members recommending applicant for sponsorship:

Members of_

Chapter #_

find the applicant to be morally suitable for membership in the Order of the Eastern Star and not currently under supervision of any county, state or federal judicial system.

Signature of Worthy Matron: _____

Signature of Secretary: _____

Date: _

Seal:

ESTARL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS - FINANCIAL STATEMENT
ESTIMATED INCOME AND EXPENSES BASED ON 12 MONTH PERIOD

SUMMER GROSS EARNINGS	\$
GROSS EARNINGS DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR	\$
INCOME FROM APPLICANT'S PARENTS	\$
GROSS EARNINGS OF DOMESTIC PARTNER	\$
INCOME FROM DOMESTIC PARTNER'S PARENTS	\$
SAVINGS AND OTHER ASSETS	\$
GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS (OTHER THAN ESTARL)	\$
LOANS	\$
VETERANS BENEFITS - (INCLUDING GI BILL)	\$
OTHER INCOME	\$
TOTAL ESTIMATED INCOME	\$

ESTIMATED EXPENSES

TUITION	\$
FEES	\$

ROOM OR RENT (INCLUDING UTILITIES)	\$
BOARD (OR FOOD)	\$
BOOKS AND EDUCATIONAL SUPPLIES	\$
CLOTHING	\$
RECREATION	\$
INCIDENTALS	\$
MEDICAL AND DENTAL (INCLUDING INSURANCE)	\$
TRAVELING (AUTO, BUS, AIR, ETC.)	\$
CHILD CARE	\$
INCOME TAXES	\$
OTHER EXPENSES (PLEASE LIST):	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENSES	\$

**ESTARL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS - FINANCIAL STATEMENT
OUTSTANDING DEBTS OF YOURSELF OR DOMESTIC PARTNER**

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES OR NEEDS RELATIVE TO THIS APPLICATION

_____ (SIGNATURE)

GRAND CHAPTER OF OREGON ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Letter of Recommendation format and information

To Persons providing letters of recommendation for an applicant for:
Eastern Star Training Awards for Religious Leadership (ESTARL)

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You have been selected by an applicant for one of these awards to provide a letter of recommendation to support his/her application. Any information you may have will be treated confidentially and I am requesting that you return your letter of recommendation to the applicant in a sealed envelope for inclusion in the application packet.

The ESTARL Scholarship Committee is interested in information about the applicant that would indicate his/her commitment to a career in the field of religious service. It will be helpful to the committee to have an understanding of how you are acquainted with the applicant, the depth of commitment to his/her chosen field of study and your impressions that the likelihood that this choice can be sustained.

The Committee seeks candidates that are of excellent moral character, who emulate those characteristics of leadership that can serve the institution or profession to which the applicant aspires, and your awareness of the academic and social services achievements of the applicant.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration and response to this request. Please to not hesitate to contact me if you have questions.

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