



Redwood Association of Code Officials  
1007-B West College Ave #326, Santa Rosa, CA 95401

## 2025 REDWOOD EMPIRE ASSOCIATION OF CODE OFFICIALS SCHOLARSHIP

**Purpose:** REACOs mission is to promote life safety and the protection of property through the development, interpretation and application of consistent building codes, standards and policies. To that end, we believe strongly in the value of education and training up new men and women to continue in that endeavor, and we are offering up to 3 scholarships totaling a maximum of \$3,000 for education.

**Rules and Conditions:** Eligibility for a REACO Scholarship is limited to members of REACO, an immediate family member of a REACO member, or a letter of sponsorship may be submitted on behalf of the applicant by a current REACO member. Immediate family is defined as the member's husband, wife, or children under the age of 30.

The scholarship committee can award multiple scholarships totaling a maximum of \$3,000 for all scholarships per year, this can be awarded to successful applicants in any way the committee decides. The funds must be used within the 12-month period commencing on July 1<sup>st</sup> following the award. All award checks will be made out jointly to the grantee and the school or agency sponsoring the educational course and may only be used for a course of study and its materials, and not for travel, lodging, or food.

Persons awarded a scholarship must agree to the use of their name and some of the general information regarding their educational goal as stated in the required application for purposes of announcing the award and promotion of the REACO Scholarship.

All awards are made at the sole discretion of the REACO Scholarship Committee. Award information will not be given out over the telephone.

Students interested in applying for the scholarship must submit a scholarship application to the Redwood Empire Association of Code Officials Chapter of ICC's Scholarship Committee. The application process consists of the following steps:

1. Submit a completed application which includes contact information, the name of the college or trade school, course registration information, brochures/documentation detailing the course of study and estimated total cost of the course or program, dates/location of the course, grades from previous year of study if applicable, your community involvement, and a minimum 500 word essay with the following theme: "what is the value of the building department to the community it serves?".
2. Give an oral presentation of why you want the scholarship and your goals for the education the scholarship money will be applied to. This will be at the March membership committee meeting in person or on Zoom if you are out of the area.
3. Interview with the Scholarship Committee.



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4. Points will be awarded for the application, essay, oral presentation, and panel interview weighted 10%, 20%, 20%, and 50% respectively.

The Deadline for applying is May 31st. Upon review of the submitted applications, the committee will then select the top candidates and contact them so they can prepare for the oral presentation which will be given at the August membership meeting (1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month). Candidates will be interviewed and selected by the Scholarship Committee in August, and the winners will be notified shortly thereafter. The Scholarship recipients and immediate family will be invited as our guests for award presentations at the September or October membership meeting (1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month), and their names will be posted on the REACO website. Winners are encouraged to attend a membership meeting after their year of schooling and give a short update on their progress. If an applicant has been awarded a scholarship in the previous year, then an update on their progress is required if reapplying.