

Grey Towers Legacy Scholarship

Grey Towers National Historic Site was home to Gifford Pinchot, the first chief of the USDA Forest Service and two-term Pennsylvania Governor. Grey Towers is located in Milford, Pennsylvania and was constructed in 1886 by Gifford's father, James W. Pinchot, a successful businessman and philanthropist. During the early 20th century, Gifford and James used Grey Towers and the surrounding environs to develop conservation leaders and formulate conservation principles. Amos Pinchot, Cornelia Bryce Pinchot, and other Pinchot family members were equally active and made considerable contributions in women's rights, civil rights, and labor reform movements.

In an effort to continue this Pinchot Legacy, the Grey Towers Legacy Scholarship was created to support the pursuit of new ideas, strategies, and solutions in the fields of natural resources, science, economics, ecology, education, and social sciences.

Eligible Applicants: The scholarship is open to graduating public high school seniors with a 2.5 GPA pursuing a career in natural resources, science, economics, ecology, social science, and/or education at an accredited 2-year or 4-year university, community college, or technical school. The selected student's continuing education enrollment can be full-time or part-time. To apply, the student must currently reside and attend a public high school in one of the following counties:

- Pike County, Pennsylvania
- Monroe County, Pennsylvania
- Wayne County, Pennsylvania
- Western Sussex County, New Jersey – *Extending as far east as Newton, New Jersey*
- Western Orange County, New York – *Extending as far east as Middletown, New York*

The scholarship will also be open to graduating students currently attending a Forest Service operated Job Corps Civilian Conservation Center.

Amount: Three \$3,000 scholarships will be awarded on a local, regional, and/or national level. One will be awarded to a student at Delaware Valley High School in Pennsylvania, and two will be awarded to students currently attending the twenty-three public high schools within the identified county limits and/or the twenty-four Forest Service operated Job Corps Civilian Conservation Centers nationally.

Required Documents: Applicants must submit a completed application and one letter of support from an instructor. The final 36 applicants will be asked to submit a copy of their transcripts.

Optional Documents: Applicants may submit up to two additional letters of support from instructors and mentors.

Timeline: The application will open **November 3, 2024**, and close on **February 2, 2025**. Interviews will take place in late March 2025, and recipients will be notified April 1, 2025. Scholarships will be disbursed to institutions on May 1, 2025.

Grey Towers Legacy Scholarship Application

Eligible students, in addition to the required letter of support from an instructor, please complete the following application and mail to the Grey Towers Heritage Association Scholarship Review Committee at P.O. Box 188 Milford, PA. 18337 no later than **Friday, February 2, 2025**.

Electronic applications will not be accepted.

Name of applicant:

Email:

Phone number:

Name and location of high school currently attending OR name of the Forest Service operated Job Corps center currently attending:

Cumulative grade point average (GPA) on a 4.0 Scale:

Have you been accepted to an accredited 2-year or 4-year university, community college, or trade school? If so, please list the name(s) of these school(s):

If you have not yet been accepted, where have you applied/plan to apply?:

Intended major:

Intended enrollment status:

In an attached document, include a personal statement describing how your academic and professional goals will continue building upon the values of the Pinchot Legacy. *Please limit your response to 750 words.*