



Office of the Aldermen

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## 2026 Ward 7 Workforce & Healthcare Legacy Scholarship Program

Ward 7 Alderman Javier Bañuelos will be awarding at least five (5) Ward 7 Residents scholarships of \$1,000 each to Ward 7 residents pursuing careers in healthcare or licensed skilled trades.

### Eligible Pathways

Healthcare Pathways include but are not limited to: Nursing, Physician Assistant, EMT/Paramedic, CNA, Medical Assistant, Radiology, Respiratory Therapy, Public Health, Behavioral Health, Healthcare Administration, and other accredited medical programs.

Skilled Trades Pathways include but are not limited to: Electrician, Plumber, HVAC Technician, Pipefitter, Welder, Carpenter, Construction Management, Automotive Technician, and state-recognized apprenticeship programs.

### Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible, applicants must:

- Reside in Ward 7, Aurora, Illinois
- Be enrolled in or accepted into an accredited college, trade school, certification program, or state-recognized apprenticeship
- Be in good academic or program standing
- Submit a completed application with all required documentation (found below)
- Per Ordinance 2-65(d)(4)(f) recipient may not be a family member of the Ward 7 Alderman.

Applicants will be evaluated based on commitment to their chosen field, community impact, and overall program readiness. Applicants may only receive one scholarship award for their entire lifetime.



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## Application – Ward 7 Scholarship Program

Applications must be received no later than TBD.

Applications can personally be dropped off at the Aldermen’s Office, 60 E Downer Place, Aurora, IL 60505. Or mailed to 44 E Downer Place, Aurora, IL 60505.

All mailed in applications must be postmarked by TBD.

For questions, please email [brauerm@aurora.il.us](mailto:brauerm@aurora.il.us).

Only FULLY completed applications with all required documents will be considered.

Applicant Full Name	
Address	
City/Zip	
Email	
Phone	
Institution/Trade Program	
Program Type (Healthcare or Skilled Trade)	
Enrollment Status	
Anticipated Completion Date	

**Ensure all items on the checklist below are submitted along with this application as only FULLY completed applications will be reviewed.**

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### Checklist:

- Completed Application
- Final Transcript from High School, 2-year, or 4-year university
- Resume/Work History of Applicant
- Proof of Ward 7 Residency
- Proof of enrollment/acceptance in an institution/trade program
- Personal statement (500-750 Words)
  - Please describe:
    - Why did you choose your career path?
    - Your long-term goals.
    - How does your profession strengthen communities like Ward 7?
    - How would this scholarship support your educational or training journey?
- Applicant completed IRS W9 form
- Institution/Trade Program completed IRS W9 form
- Letter of Recommendation (not personal, must be professional)