

# ***AMERICAN COUNCIL OF SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATIONS BILL TOWNSEND MEMORIAL ACCESS SCHOLARSHIP***

## **GENERAL GUIDELINES**

*Bill Townsend worked tirelessly to promote snowmobiling and to keep access for snowmobiling open across the West. This scholarship is given in memory of Bill's many efforts with the goal of helping prepare the next generation of leaders and land managers to work for continued snowmobiling access across the United States.*

**Scholarship Amount:** \$5,000

### **Eligibility**

Applicants must be enrolled as a 4<sup>th</sup> year/senior college undergraduate, graduate/master's degree candidate, or law student. Major Area of Study must be in the field of parks and recreation management, natural resources management, public administration, pre-law, or natural resources/public administration law. The applicant's Area of Study must include a focus/emphasis that could potentially be beneficial for motorized recreation management/access that includes snowmobiling.

### **Selection Criteria**

- 1. Academic Achievement** – based upon submission of transcripts that outline undergraduate and (if applicable) advanced/graduate/law school coursework and GPA in required Area of Study.
- 2. Activities** – based upon the individual's work history and/or volunteer activities related to land access and projects and/or work that benefited snowmobiling and motorized recreation access; must include letters of recommendation/reference/testament from land managers and/or snowmobilers.
- 3. Essay** – that outlines the applicant's career goals and philosophy toward snowmobiling and motorized recreation management and access.
- 4. Letter of Support** – application must include a letter of support from the individual's local state snowmobile association stating that the applicant is likely to work for the advancement of snowmobiling access.

**Application Deadline:** Open, applications accepted at any time

**Scholarship Award:** Scholarship applications will be reviewed by the Townsend Scholarship Committee members upon application. Applicants will be notified of selection results within 60 days of application. Scholarship awards will be sent to the Financial Aid Office at the recipient's school.

**Submit Applications to:** Kim Raap, ATTN: Townsend Scholarship,  
3400 S. Florence Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD 57103

**Questions:** Contact Kim Raap at (605) 371-9799 or [Trailswork@aol.com](mailto:Trailswork@aol.com)

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APPLICATION FORM**

**Part A. Applicant's Personal Information**

Name:	Social Security Number:
Home Mailing Address:	Home Phone:
	School Phone:
	Cell Phone:
	Fax Number:
	E-Mail:
School Mailing Address:	Degree Pursuing with this Scholarship:

**Part B. Applicant's School Information**

University Name:	Student Identification Number:
University Financial Aid Office Address:	Financial Aid Office Phone:
	Financial Aid Office Fax:
	Financial Aid Office E-Mail:

**Part C. Applicant's Education History: High School and Undergraduate Degree(s)**

High School Name and Address:	Dates Attended:
	Graduation Date:
	Overall GPA:
Undergraduate University Name and Address: <i>(attach additional information if more than one undergraduate university or degree)</i>	Degree/Major Area of Study:
	Dates Attended:
	Did You Graduate:
	If Not, Present Year in School:
	Overall Undergraduate GPA:
	Undergraduate Area of Study GPA:

*Attach university transcript(s) for all undergraduate class work to-date.*

**Part D. Applicant’s Education History: Graduate Degree(s)**

Graduate University Name and Address: <i>(attach additional information if more than one graduate university or degree)</i>	Degree/Major Area of Graduate Work:
	Dates Attended:
	Did You Graduate:
	If Not, Present Year in Graduate Work:
	Overall Graduate GPA:
	Graduate Thesis:

*Attach university transcript(s) for all graduate class work to-date, as applicable.*

**Part E. Applicant’s Education History: Law Degree**

Law School Name and Address: <i>(attach additional information if more than one university or degree)</i>	Major Area of Law School Focus/Work:
	Dates Attended:
	Did You Graduate:
	If Not, Present Year in Law School:
	Overall Law School GPA:
	Special Emphasis:

*Attach university transcript(s) for all law school class work to-date, as applicable.*

**Part F. Honors and Awards:** Attach a list and description of all honors and awards received by the applicant – high school to-date. Specify: name of the award(s) and/or honor(s), name and address of presenter(s), date received, and reason for the award or honor if not self-explanatory.

**Part G. Volunteer Activities:** Attach a list of all volunteer activities the applicant has been involved with – high school to-date. Specify: name and address of each organization/group, a detailed description what was done, and how the volunteer efforts benefited the organization. Also quantify how much volunteer time was given (hours per week/month or year) and the time period over which the volunteer efforts occurred.

**Part H. Work History:** Attach a complete work history for the applicant – high school to-date. Specify: name and address of each employer, job title, begin and end dates for the employment, average hours worked per week, name of immediate supervisor and contact phone number, last wage/salary, number and type of employees supervised (if applicable), and detailed description of duties performed.

**Part I. Goals and Philosophy Essay:** Attach an essay that 1) outlines the applicant’s professional career goals and 2) discusses their philosophy as it relates to snowmobiling, motorized recreation management, and motorized recreation access.

**Part J. Letters of Recommendation/Reference/Testament:** Attach letters from land managers and/or snowmobilers that substantiate applicant's current and previous volunteer and employment efforts related to motorized land access work, special projects, and/or other efforts that benefited snowmobiling and motorized recreation access.

**Part K. Letter of Support:** Attach a letter of support from the applicant's local state snowmobile association stating that the association believes the individual is likely to work for the advancement of snowmobiling access upon completion of his or her degree. This does not require that the applicant be a member of a local snowmobile club or that association, only that they have coordinated their intent to apply for this scholarship with their local association.

### **Submittal Instructions**

Submit six (6) copies of the application and six (6) copies of all supporting information (Parts F thru K and applicable transcripts) to: Kim Raap, ATTN: Townsend Scholarship, 3400 S. Florence Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD 57103. Feel free to contact Kim Raap at (605) 371-9799 or [Trailswork@aol.com](mailto:Trailswork@aol.com) if you have any questions about this scholarship opportunity.