

New York State Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America Foundation Announces the 2023 Scholarship Program

The NYOSDIA Foundation will distribute over \$94,000 in scholarship and grant money to New York State Residents entering college or graduate school in the fall of 2023. Applications and directions for completion of each can be downloaded from this website and mailed to the appropriate chairperson: (see last page for contact details for each district chairperson)

District I – Suffolk County – Joanne Spera

District II – Nassau County – Angelo Grande

District III – New York City - Rosemarie Stathes

District IV – Westchester, Putnam and Dutchess Counties – Margaret Forte

District V – Rockland County and surrounding area – Maria D’Aguino

District VI – Albany, Saratoga, Montgomery Counties and Schenectady area – Francis Pugliese

District VII – New York Northern, Central and Southern tier – Josephine Federico

District VIII – Western NY (Rochester, Geneva etc.) – Marjorie Focarazzo

All Graduate school applications – Susan Alicea

For additional information, please contact Chairperson Donna Torrissi at torrisi5@optonline.net or telephone (845) 554-6723.



2023 New York Grand Lodge Foundation Scholarship Application

Michele Ment, Foundation President ~ Donna Torrasi, Scholarship Chairperson

APPLICATION FORM (Please Print or Type)

Name: Last _____ First _____ Middle _____

Home Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Email _____

Phone # (____) _____ Date of Birth: Mo. _____ Day _____ Year _____ Sex: Male Female

College/Curriculum to which you are applying _____

_____ Date Entering _____

Name/Address of High School _____

_____ Graduation Date _____

**FAMILY MEMBERS OF OSIA LODGES SHOULD COMPLETE THE LODGE IDENTIFICATION SECTION BELOW!
THIS IS NOT REQUIRED FOR OTHER APPLICANTS.**

Lodge Name & Number _____, located (mailing address) _____

hereby supports the scholarship application of the above student.

Member _____ Relationship to Student _____

President of Lodge _____ Signature of President _____

Address _____ Phone Number (____) _____

DIRECTIONS TO APPLICANT: CHECK ONE: Undergraduate Graduate

Check only if applying for: Italian Studies Returning Student Education Studies Business Undergraduate
 Graduate/Science/Engineering Religious Studies Music

APPLICANTS MUST COMPLETE ALL INFORMATION ON THIS FORM.

1. Undergraduate awards are for current high school seniors who will begin full time undergraduate study in the Fall 2023 semester. Graduate awards are for college graduates who will begin graduate study in the Fall 2023 semester. If chosen as a recipient, awards will be made payable to the student and the institution.
2. The following **MUST** be submitted directly to the District Scholarship Chairperson for the applicant's lodge or geographic district: (a) Official transcripts including first semester senior year grades and SAT/ACT scores. (b) Class rank and size of graduating class should be included if possible. (c) Two letters of recommendation from teachers or counselors. (d) A student essay (**no more than 350 words**) summarizing educational and career goals, school and community service and a discussion of the significance of your Italian heritage.
3. Scholarships are awards for academic excellence and service. Students are required to have a minimum average of 85% or above.
4. Applicant must be a resident of New York State and of Italian heritage.
5. A \$10.00 application fee, made payable to the NY Grand Lodge Foundation, Inc., must be included with application.
6. **Application, fee and supporting material must be sent to the District Scholarship Chairperson – POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN MARCH 31, 2023.**

→ Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

PLEASE CALL THE GRAND LODGE OFFICE AT 516-785-4623 FOR INFORMATION ON YOUR DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRPERSON

Name _____ District _____

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