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2020 WTS Colorado Chapter Scholarships

WTS fosters the development of women in the transportation field by encouraging students and new professionals to undertake careers in the transportation field. One way it does this is by awarding scholarships to women pursuing studies in a transportation or related field such as:

- Engineering
- Urban Planning
- Environmental Studies
- Geography
- Construction Management
- Public Administration
- Public Finance
- Public Policy
- Public Affairs
- Public Health

For 2020, WTS Colorado will be awarding the following 12 scholarships:

- Four **\$5,000** awards granted to two graduate students
- Four **\$4,000** awards granted to two undergraduate students
- Two **\$1,500** award granted to one local community college student
- Two **\$1,500** award granted to one high school senior

Scholarship Winners will also receive:

- Automatic submission for national-level scholarships for up to \$10,000
- Ticket to the WTS Colorado Annual Awards Luncheon where you will be presented with your scholarship award
- Ticket to the WTS Colorado Annual Awards Gala

Scholarship descriptions can be found on pages 8-13 of this document.

The minimum criteria for selection are as follows:

- a) The Applicant identifies as Female
- b) GPA of 3.0 or Higher
- c) Current enrollment in a transportation related field;
 - a. Community college, undergraduate and graduate students – must be enrolled in a transportation related program at time of application submission
 - b. Graduating high school seniors – must be planning to enroll in a transportation related program for the Fall 2021 semester
- d) Plans to Pursue a Career in a Transportation-Related Field
- e) Applicants should be attending school in Colorado or Wyoming, or reside in Colorado or Wyoming.



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Please return your completed application to: WTSCOSchoarships@gmail.com

The application must be submitted in the PDF fillable form format. Please contact WTSCOScholarships@gmail.com if you encounter any issues with the form.

Please include your name and "2020 WTS Scholarship Application – Scholarship Type" in the e-mail subject line.

Example: *Jane Doe, 2020 WTS Scholarship Application - Undergraduate*

**COMPLETE APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER
THAN NOVEMBER 15, 2020.**



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Area of Concentration (if applicable)
Grade Point Average (GPA)*

**Minimum GPA of 3.0 required.*

IV. **Previous Colleges/Universities Attended:** List the Name, Date, Degree Earned and GPA for any previous colleges/universities attended. Attach additional sheets, if necessary.

V. **Professional or School Affiliations:** List any school, professional or community activities you have participated in. Include offices held and awards received. Attach additional sheets, if necessary.



- VI. **Employment History/Work Experience:** List full-time, part-time, co-op and summer employment. Briefly describe duties and responsibilities. Attach additional sheets, if necessary.
- VII. **Proof of Enrollment:** Attach a copy of your tuition receipt or current registration card.
- VIII. **Transcript:** Attach a copy of your transcript to application. An online transcript is sufficient.
- IX. **Recommendation:** Letter(s) must be submitted to WTSCoScholarships@gmail.com. Please ask your professor or job supervisor to include your name, scholarship you are applying for and "2020 WTS Scholarship Recommendation" in the e-mail subject line.
- a. **Graduating High School Seniors:** Minimum one (1) letter of recommendation by a teacher, sports coach, or job supervisor.
 - b. **Community College Students:** Minimum one (1) letter of recommendation by a professor or job supervisor.
 - c. **Undergraduate Students:** Minimum one (1) letter of recommendation by a professor or job supervisor.
 - d. **Graduate Students:** Minimum two (2) letters of recommendation by a professor or job supervisor.



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- X. **Personal Statement:** A statement about your career goals and/or continuing education after graduation and why you think that you should receive the scholarship award. Applicants are also encouraged to address their leadership experience and commitment to the transportation profession. Statement should not exceed 500 words. Please use the space provided in the next pages.



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Personal Statement

Name: _____

Signature

Date



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WTS Helene M. Overly Memorial Scholarship

The WTS Helene M. Overly Memorial Scholarship was established in 1981 by WTS International to encourage women to pursue career paths in transportation. The scholarship is awarded to women pursuing graduate studies in transportation or a related field.

In memory of Helene M. Overly, the first Executive Secretary of WTS, the Board of Directors voted to name the annual WTS graduate scholarship the Helene M. Overly Memorial Scholarship to honor Helene for her dedicated service to WTS. Helene became a WTS member in 1981. She brought with her 15 years of experience in public service, tremendous organizational abilities, and a spirit of determination that helped WTS nearly double its membership in two years.

The minimum criteria for selection are:

- a. GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- b. Currently enrolled in a graduate degree program in a transportation-related field, such as transportation engineering, planning, finance, or logistics.
- c. Plans to pursue a career in a transportation-related field.



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WTS Maggie Walsh Leadership Legacy Scholarship

WTS launched the Leadership Legacy Scholarship in 2007. Through this award, WTS provides a scholarship to an outstanding young woman pursuing graduate studies working toward a career in transportation or a related field, and who demonstrates a specific interest in advancing transportation innovation.

The WTS mission to build the transportation industry through the global advancement of women can be realized by encouraging women to further their careers as leaders in transportation. WTS recognizes that transportation is more than simply moving people and goods from one place to another. It is a driver of growth and an integral part of communities throughout the world. The leadership, skills, and perspectives of women are essential to ensure that the transportation systems of the future respond to the needs of all. The Leadership Legacy Scholarship currently takes the name of the 2018-2020 WTS International Chair, Maggie Walsh.

The minimum criteria for selection are:

- a. GPA of 3.0 or higher
- b. Currently enrolled in a graduate degree program in a transportation-related field, such as transportation planning or engineering, security planning, business management, finance, or logistics with a focus on public policy.
- c. Plans to pursue a career in a transportation-related field.
- d. Demonstrated interest in addressing transportation studies issues.
- e. Submission of a personal statement highlighting candidate's interest in transportation-related fields, relevant experiences and interests, and how this award will contribute to the candidate's ability to make a meaningful contribution in the transportation arena.



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WTS Colorado 2020 Graduate Scholarships

Due to the COVID pandemic, many in-person events in Colorado were canceled leaving additional funding that can be re-purposed and provide extra support to students pursuing careers in transportation. Therefore, WTS Colorado is offering two additional graduate scholarships in the amount of \$5,000 each.

The minimum criteria for selection are:

- a. GPA of 3.0 or higher
- b. Currently enrolled in a graduate degree program in a transportation-related field, such as transportation planning or engineering, security planning, business management, finance, or logistics with a focus on public policy.
- c. Plans to pursue a career in a transportation-related field.
- d. Demonstrated interest in addressing transportation studies issues.
- e. Submission of a personal statement highlighting candidate's interest in transportation-related fields, relevant experiences and interests, and how this award will contribute to the candidate's ability to make a meaningful contribution in the transportation arena.



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WTS Sharon D. Banks Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship

WTS fosters the development of women in the transportation field by encouraging bright new professionals to undertake careers in the area of transportation. One way it does this is by awarding the WTS Sharon D. Banks Memorial Scholarship to women pursuing undergraduate studies in transportation or a related field.

The scholarship honors Sharon D. Banks, chief executive officer of AC Transit in Alameda-Contra Costa County, California. As its CEO throughout most of the 1990's, Banks led the agency in a pioneering effort to introduce cultural and organizational changes aimed at motivating the public transit workforce. She was a member of the WTS Advisory Board and received the WTS San Francisco Chapter Woman of the Year and Employer of the Year awards.

The minimum criteria for selection are:

- a. GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- b. Currently enrolled in an undergraduate degree program in a transportation-related field, such as transportation engineering, planning, finance, or logistics.
- c. Plans to pursue a career in a transportation-related field.



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WTS Molitoris Leadership Scholarship for Undergraduates

Part of the WTS goal of fostering the development of women in the transportation field can be realized by encouraging bright new professionals to undertake careers in the area of transportation. The WTS Molitoris Leadership Scholarship is awarded to women pursuing undergraduate studies in transportation or a related field who demonstrate leadership skills, ability, and interest.

The purpose of the WTS Molitoris Leadership Scholarship is to motivate and reward women who demonstrate leadership in the transportation industry. The leadership, skills, and perspectives of women are essential to assure that the transportation systems of the future respond to the needs of all. Leadership does not just happen. Leaders personally invest and risk much. They must take on struggles that many would avoid and persevere to reach successful outcomes. These qualities should receive special attention in the selection of the award winner.

The minimum criteria for selection are:

- a. GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- b. Currently enrolled in an undergraduate degree program in a transportation-related field, such as transportation engineering, planning, finance, or logistics.
- c. Plans to pursue a career in a transportation-related field.
- d. Applicants for the Molitoris Leadership Scholarship must specifically address the issue of leadership on their personal statement.



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WTS Colorado 2020 Undergraduate Scholarship

Due to the COVID pandemic, many in-person events in Colorado were canceled leaving additional funding that can be re-purposed and provide extra support to students pursuing careers in transportation. Therefore, WTS Colorado is offering two additional undergraduate scholarships in the amount of \$4,000 each.

The minimum criteria for selection are:

- a. GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- b. Currently enrolled in an undergraduate degree program in a transportation-related field, such as transportation engineering, planning, finance, or logistics.
- c. Plans to pursue a career in a transportation-related field.
- d. Applicants for the Molitoris Leadership Scholarship must specifically address the issue of leadership on their personal statement.



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WTS Community/Technical College Scholarship

WTS fosters the development of women in the transportation field by encouraging bright new professionals to undertake careers in transportation. One way it does this is by awarding community, technical, or trade college scholarships to women pursuing transportation- related study at community and trade colleges.

This scholarship is intended for students pursuing an associate or technical degree in transportation-related studies.

The minimum criteria for selection are:

- a. GPA of 3.0 or higher
- b. Currently enrolled in a degree program in a transportation-related field.
- c. Plans to pursue a career in a transportation-related field.



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WTS Colorado 2020 Community/Technical College Scholarship

Due to the COVID pandemic, many in-person events in Colorado were canceled leaving additional funding that can be re-purposed and provide extra support to students pursuing careers in transportation. Therefore, WTS Colorado is offering one additional Community/ Technical College scholarship in the amount of \$1,500.

The minimum criteria for selection are:

This scholarship is intended for students pursuing an associate or technical degree in transportation-related studies.

The minimum criteria for selection are:

- a. GPA of 3.0 or higher
- b. Currently enrolled in a degree program in a transportation-related field.
- c. Plans to pursue a career in a transportation-related field.



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WTS Transportation YOU High School Scholarship

WTS fosters the development of women and girls in the transportation field by encouraging bright new professionals and students to undertake careers in the area of transportation. One way it does this is by awarding the WTS Transportation YOU High School Scholarship to girls pursuing high school studies in science, technology, engineering, and math.

Transportation YOU is a hands-on, interactive, mentoring program that offers young girls ages 13-18 an introduction to a wide variety of transportation careers. Through the Transportation YOU program and this scholarship, WTS chapters work to make a difference in the lives of young girls by offering opportunities and activities that will spark their interest in all modes of transportation and encourage them to take courses in math, science, and technology, which are the stepping stones to exciting careers that can change the face of the transportation industry.

The minimum criteria for selection are:

- a. Applicant must be a high school senior.
- b. GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- c. Currently studying math, science, and technology.
- d. Considering a college degree in a transportation-related field



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WTS Colorado 2020 High School Scholarship

Due to the COVID pandemic, many in-person events in Colorado were canceled leaving additional funding that can be re-purposed and provide extra support to students pursuing careers in transportation. Therefore, WTS Colorado is offering one additional Graduating High School Senior scholarship in the amount of \$1,500.

The minimum criteria for selection are:

- a. Applicant must be a high school senior.
- b. GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- c. Currently studying math, science, and technology.
- d. Considering a college degree in a transportation-related field