



COMTO Central Florida Scholarship 2024

The Conference of Minority Transportation Officials (COMTO) Central Florida Chapter Scholarship is awarded to current or incoming college students in the Central Florida region who are pursuing a career in the fields of transportation, planning, STEM, and other related disciplines. Our scholarship program is committed to providing financial support for minority, veteran, or disabled students to help them maximize their educational potential.

We are awarding 2 scholarships in the amount of \$1000 each.

All fully-completed applications and materials must be emailed or postmarked by Tuesday, MARCH 26, 2024 to be considered for the scholarship.

Application will be open Monday, February 26, 2024 - Tuesday, March 26, 2024.
The scholarship winner will be announced in April 2024.

For questions about the application process or requirements,
contact COMTOCentralFlorida@gmail.com.





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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Please print clearly. All fields are required.

First & Last Name _____

Age _____

Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____

Email _____

School Name (College, University, or Vocational/Trade School accepted for Fall 2024 semester)

School Location (City & State) _____ or ☐ Virtual

Major (and Minor/Concentration if any) _____

Expected Graduation (such as Spring 2026) _____

☐ Undergraduate or ☐ Graduate

☐ Part-Time or ☐ Full-Time

How did you hear about the scholarship? (such as Family, Friend, Teacher, Employer)

Have you previously received a scholarship from COMTO Central Florida?

☐ No or ☐ Yes

If Yes, When _____

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APPLICATION

STEP 1 - RESUME: Provide your resume, listing:

- education with current cumulative GPA (Grade Point Average)
- extracurricular activities (such as clubs, athletics, work experience), if any
- awards, honors, and certifications (academic or non-academic), if any
- volunteering or community service, if any

STEP 2 - ESSAY: Write an essay with minimum 500 words (and correct grammar, spelling, and flow) that covers at least 2 of the following questions:

- What are your career goals (short-term or long-term), related to transportation?
- Why did you choose your planned field of study?
- How has transportation impacted your life?
- Why is the transportation industry important to your community?
- How would this financial resource enhance your success toward the transportation industry?
- How do you think your coursework and/or life experiences have helped you prepare for your college studies and the future?

STEP 3 - LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION: Provide 2 letters of recommendation. Letters can be written by teachers, school staff, counselors, employers, coaches, etc. Letters from family members are not allowed. The person submitting the letter should state how they know you and your ability to benefit from the scholarship. It is up to the applicant to ensure all letters have been sent by the deadline. *OPTIONAL TEMPLATE IS AVAILABLE AT COMTOCENTRALFL.COM*

- **First & Last Name of Reference #1** _____
- **First & Last Name of Reference #2** _____

STEP 4 - ACCEPTANCE LETTER: Provide your proof of acceptance or enrollment to a college, university, or vocational/trade school for classes in the Fall 2024 semester.

OPTIONAL: Additional documents can be included with the application that may be pertinent to the evaluation of the applicant as a potential COMTO scholarship recipient, such as portfolio.

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STEP 5 - RULES & REQUIREMENTS: Sign that you have read, understood, and agree to the Rules and Requirements below for the COMTO Central Florida Scholarship:

Applicant is accepted for classes in the Fall 2024 semester at a college, university, or vocational/trade school.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Applicant is a resident of the Central Florida region , including: Citrus, Hernando, Hillsborough, Manatee, Hardee, Highlands, Polk, Pasco, Pinellas, Orange, Osceola, Seminole and Sarasota Counties.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Applicant is pursuing a major in the field of transportation , including but not limited to: Transportation (such as Aviation, Transportation Logistics, Transportation Management), Engineering (such as Civil, Construction, Environmental, Mechanical, Electrical), Public Affairs (such as Planning, Public Administration, Policy), STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math).	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Applicant is a veteran, person with disability, or minority individual , including but not limited to: race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, religion.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Applicant is NOT immediate family of a COMTO Central Florida Executive Board member .	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Applicant gives consent and permission to COMTO Central Florida to use name, image, voice, and/or appearance embodied in any pictures, video, audio, etc., for any purpose consistent with COMTO Central Florida's mission. Applicant waives any rights to inspect or approve the finished materials that may be used. Applicant acknowledges that they may not receive any compensation or other benefit for its use. Applicant hereby releases COMTO Central Florida from any and all claims or liability which arise out of or are in any way connected with such creation or use.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Applicant Signature _____

Date _____

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION

OPTION 1 - EMAIL: COMTOCentralFlorida@gmail.com (TIP: For large files, send a link through a cloud storage service like Google Drive, Dropbox, or OneDrive.)

OPTION 2 - MAIL: Amber Johnson, Attn: COMTO Central Florida, 455 N.Garland Ave., Orlando, FL 32801 . All materials must be postmarked by the deadline date.