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Keep Iowa Beautiful Opens 2025 Scholarship Applications

Keep Iowa Beautiful awards three \$1,000 scholarships to Iowa high school seniors who plan to enroll in an Iowa college or university.

These annual scholarships honor important figures in Keep Iowa Beautiful history who have made significant contributions to Iowa communities.

- **The Byers Scholarship** - High school seniors who plan to enroll and study environmental science, community development, landscape architecture or architecture (historical emphasis) or community planning and sustainability are eligible to apply. In memory of Bob Byer's dedication to young people and environmental concerns, KIB and the Byers family established the Byers Environmental Scholarship Fund in 2009.
- **The Schnepf Scholarship** – High school seniors who have a record of community service and a desire to continue to support and contribute to the enhancement of the place they live and work are eligible to apply. College programs could include community & regional planning and volunteer management. This scholarship honors Gerry Schnepf, founding Executive Director of Keep Iowa Beautiful. His career spanned 50 years of making Iowa a better place to live, work and raise a family.
- **The Fultz Scholarship** - High school seniors who plan to enroll and study communications, public relations and/or marketing are eligible to apply. This scholarship honors William J. Fultz, a founding KIB board member and artist who started an advertising agency that became the largest agriculture advertising agency in the world.

“Keep Iowa Beautiful seeks to foster positive values in younger generations and reinforce them in older generations. We encourage respect for home, neighborhood, community and state,” said Andy Frantz, Executive Director of Keep Iowa Beautiful. “These students have a passion for improving the communities where they live and work, and we couldn't be more excited to see where their educational journey takes them.”

For more information and to apply online, visit <https://keepiowabeautiful.org/grants-scholarships/scholarships/>. Applications are due January 31, 2025, and winners will be notified in April 2025.

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About Keep Iowa Beautiful

Keep Iowa Beautiful was established in 2000 by Governor Robert D. Ray and Donald F. Lamberti becoming the 23rd State Affiliate of Keep America Beautiful. The organization is 501c3 charitable organization working with citizens, neighborhoods and communities in improving the vitality and cultural health of the state of Iowa. Keep Iowa Beautiful is helping build stronger communities to develop sustainable futures. Learn more at KeepIowaBeautiful.org