

# Kiwanis Club of Ashtabula

The Kiwanis Club of Ashtabula was chartered by Kiwanis International on June 24, 1927, and was originally sponsored by the Conneaut Kiwanis Club.

The Ashtabula Kiwanis Club was established in 1927 because local leaders saw a need for a summer respite for children with tuberculosis and decided to establish a Kiwanis Club to provide that service. They immediately started planning for the Kiwanis Fresh Air Camp, an eight-week sleep-over camp for children with tuberculosis, which lasted until 1977.

“In over 90 years of service to Ashtabula, we have had 85 different members serve as club president,” said John Shouvin, a past president who served three terms in the top spot.

In 1987, the Ashtabula Kiwanis Club was the first Kiwanis Club in Ohio, and one of the first in the world, to admit women. Delegates approved the admission of women at the Kiwanis International Convention on July 12, 1987.

Helping children is the national and international focus of Kiwanis. The Ashtabula Club also follows the focus of the national and international theme by dedicating time and resources to bring the program, “Reading is Fundamental,” to local elementary school children at the Ashtabula Area City Schools. In doing so, each child receives 2-4 books annually that they get to keep.

The Kiwanis Club has since organized high school marching band competitions, paid for Harbor High band to tour Germany, bought playground equipment for the Donahoe Center, financed a fitness trail at Cederquest Park, a picnic pavilion at Smith Field, and replaced the roof of the main pavilion at Lake Shore Park and many, many other projects to help the community.

They also have supported Homesafe, Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, and Ashtabula County Concerts of Prayer, Safety Town, The Ashtabula County Choral Music Society, Ashtabula County Medical Center and Catholic Charities.

Current community service projects include: the Kiwanis Art Show in April at the Ashtabula Arts Center, free books for students in the Ashtabula Area City Schools District, and partial college scholarships to a graduating senior from Edgewood, Lakeside and St. John high schools.



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## Scholarship Application

PO Box 963  
Ashtabula, OH  
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## Scholarship Requirements

Ashtabula Kiwanis Club has been awarding scholarships to area graduating students since 1988.

Multiple \$700.00 scholarships are awarded to graduating high school students entering college of their choice. This scholarship is determined as a Community Service Scholarship and can be applied for with any career path you choose.

To be considered for the awards, eligible students are required to submit the following:

1. A one-page letter of request, explaining why you are applying for this scholarship.
2. Proof of academic eligibility (2.5 or better G.P.A.).
3. Two letters of recommendation from academic advisors (teachers, guidance counselors, principal).
4. Record of Community Service hours.
5. Completed Application Form.

The deadline for submitting requests is April 15th, and the requests need to be mailed to:

**Ashtabula Kiwanis Club**  
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The Committee will be making decisions on awards by May 1<sup>st</sup>, with notification immediately following that date. Scholarships will be awarded to winning recipient(s) at their school's award ceremony.



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Up to three individual \$700.00 scholarships will be awarded to eligible graduating high school students planning to attend college.

Student must be a graduate from Edgewood Sr. High School, Lakeside High School, or St. John School. One scholarship will be awarded to one student from each of these schools.

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name:	
Date of Birth:	
Current Address:	Cell Phone:
City:	Home Phone:
Email:	
Graduating High School:	
College attending in fall:	
Academic Major:	
I authorize Ashtabula Kiwanis Club to verify the information provided on this form as to my eligibility.	
Signature of applicant:	Date:
Signature of parent or guardian:	Date: