

**Zonta Service Foundation of Corvallis
Elbert and Velma Starns Scholarship
\$3000 Scholarship Available for
Currently Enrolled Undergraduate LBCC Student
For the 2026-2027 Academic Year**

Zonta Service Foundation of Corvallis is accepting scholarship applications for the Elbert and Velma Starns Scholarship. Two scholarships are offered to students who are single parents while attending LBCC. The scholarship offers \$1000 per quarter to help cover tuition, fees, books, and supplies charged to a recipient's account at Linn Benton Community College.

CRITERIA

Applicants for the scholarships must:

1. Be currently enrolled **undergraduate** students at Linn Benton Community College, and who resumed their studies after a minimum one-year break in their education (the gap may be between high school and college). **Preference will be given to older-than-average students with family responsibilities, and those with financial need.**
2. Have demonstrated an interest in working to improve the legal, political, economic, educational, health or professional status of women **or** have demonstrated a willingness to work in a job or profession involving the welfare of children and women.
3. Be enrolled at LBCC and making satisfactory progress. Applicants must enroll for at least 9 credits at LBCC per term for the length of the scholarship.
4. Be residing in Oregon and currently enrolled at LBCC.

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ESSAY

Describe in a short essay how you meet **each** of the criteria for the scholarship. Address: 1) the major life transition that led to a break in your education and the current challenges you face as a single parent attending LBCC; 2) how you have demonstrated commitment to improving the status of women or children; 3) how your educational goals and studies advance your commitment; 4) how the scholarship will help you continue to meet your goals; and: 5) how you learned about this scholarship. **Maximum two pages, minimum 12 pt. font.**

ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPT

An unofficial transcript of completed academic college or university work from each institution must be submitted with your application materials. A photocopy is acceptable. Although unofficial, the transcripts must be prepared and issued by the college or university. A list of courses and grades prepared by the applicant is not acceptable. **You must submit a full transcript, and grades for fall term of 2025 must be included. Winter term 2026 grades may be requested.**

PLEASE NOTE:

Full applications will include FIVE Completed items: 1) Scholarship Application Form, 2) Student Financial Information Form, 3) Your Essay, 4) Full unofficial transcript of all college level work which includes fall 2025 grades, and 5) A Signed Application Checklist

Your full, signed, application must be submitted via email to zontaapp@gmail.com by April 24, 2026.

See page 4 for complete instructions.

- **Incomplete applications or applications that do not conform to all instructions will not be considered for scholarships.**
- **Unused scholarship funds will not be released to scholarship recipients but will be returned to the Zonta Service Foundation of Corvallis.**

2026 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM
Zonta Service Foundation of Corvallis
www.zontacorvallis.org
Please TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY IN BLACK INK.

Name _____ Student ID Number _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Telephone Number _____ E-mail Address _____

Proposed or Current Major _____

High School Attended with City & State _____

Date attended High School _____ Date Graduated or attained GED _____

Name, Location, and Enrollment Dates of Schools Attended Since Leaving High School

School

Location (City/State)

Enrollment Dates

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Number of college level credits completed _____ Cumulative GPA _____

Currently enrolled (check) LBCC

Fall 2026 enrollment and degree intention (check) LBCC

Terms remaining to complete degree or certification at LBCC _____

List Honors and Recognitions _____

List Activities (Community and School) _____

List Work Experience _____

Applications must be received by **April 24, 2026**. (See page 4)

STUDENT FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Zonta Service Foundation of Corvallis

Are you a single parent? (check) yes noAre you a member of a joint/shared income household? (check) yes noDid you or do you plan to apply for Federal Financial Aid using the FAFSA? (check) yes no

Ages of dependents residing with you or dependent on you: _____

(If you make child support payments for children who do not reside with you, please include that amount in "All other expenses" below.)

Please provide Estimated Total Annual Household Expenses (including tuition and fees) and Estimated Total Annual Household Income for the year beginning June 1, 2026 and ending May 31, 2027, the academic year for which this scholarship is valid.

Estimated Total Annual Household Expenses:

Rent and Utilities \$ _____

Childcare \$ _____

Transportation \$ _____

All Other Household expense \$ _____

Total Est'd Household Expenses \$ _____**Estimated Total Annual Household Income:**

Child Support \$ _____

Grants/Scholarships \$ _____

Public Assistance \$ _____

Salaries and Wages \$ _____

Total Est'd Household Income \$ _____

You may provide additional information in your essay if you wish.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST**Zonta Service Foundation of Corvallis**

Zonta Club of Corvallis scholarship applications must be received by April 24, 2026. Only complete applications of qualified applicants will be considered. An application must include the following to be considered complete.

Complete scholarship applications include the following in this order:

1. Completed Scholarship Application Form
2. Completed Essay (Maximum two pages, at least 12 pt font. (Additional pages will disqualify your application.)
3. Full Academic Transcript issued by the college(s) or university(s) showing all college level work, **including fall term of 2025**. An unofficial transcript issued to you may be used but it must be a full transcript. A list of courses and grades prepared by students is not acceptable.
4. Completed Student Financial Information Form (p.3)
5. Completed Application Checklist form with applicant's signature and date.

Certification: I certify by my signature below that this application contains no willful misrepresentation or falsification, that the information herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and that any false statements herein will disqualify me for consideration of the scholarship award. If requested by an authorized individual, I agree to give proof of the information I have given in this application. If selected to receive the scholarship, I give permission for a publicity release. I will attend a Zonta Club of Corvallis meeting to talk about my goals.

X

Applicant's Signature

Date

Submission Instructions: Email your application to zontaapp@gmail.com. The subject line must contain the following identifier: STARNS - your last name. For questions, please contact a committee member at zontaapp@gmail.com with STARNS - Question in the subject line.

Applications must be received no later than April 24, 2026.

Additional copies of this application are available at www.zontacorvallis.org.

Please note that scholarship application information will be treated confidentially.