

Walking Softer Education Scholarship



Are you a junior or senior participating in the Walking Softer Education program? Are you ready to make an impact? The Walking Softer Education Scholarship offers **\$5,000 to \$20,000** to high school students who are passionate about sustainability. If you've participated in the Walking Softer Education Program, this is your opportunity to turn your ideas into action, with financial support to pursue your dreams in college or trade school.

Whether you see yourself making the business world greener, using your art to advocate for climate solutions, or installing green energy infrastructure, this scholarship is for you. We want to support students who are ready to take the next step in their education and apply what they've learned about sustainability to create a better future.

You've already shown your dedication to environmental stewardship through the Walking Softer Education Program, and now we want to help you continue your journey. **This scholarship is both accessible and designed for students like you—whether it's your first time applying for a scholarship or you're already familiar with the process, we've got you covered.**

About the Scholarship

- One-time, nonrenewable scholarship of \$5,000-\$20,000 that aims to support students who participated in the Walking Softer Education program to continue pursuing sustainability.
- 2-4 year college or university, or trade school eligible
- No requirements to study for a specific major, but students should have the desire to apply sustainability and to advance environmental solutions in whatever path they choose.

Eligibility Criteria

- Participated or currently participating in the 2024/2025 Walking Softer Education Program
- Junior or Senior in high school

Ideal Candidates

- Have a passion for environmental stewardship and a desire to use their education and talents to create solutions to the environmental issues we are facing.

Application Information

The application link (<https://aim.applyists.net/WalkingSofter>) will become active on January 7th, 2025, and take you to the application portal where you can create an account and start the application process.

- The application opens January 7th 2025, and closes April 15th, 2025 at 11:59pm PST
- Recipients will be required to attend a two hour meeting with Walking Softer staff in the Fall after receiving their scholarship
- Applicants will be asked questions about their community service, work, and volunteer experience, extracurricular activities, honors and awards, how they identify, and financial information. Applicants will also be asked to answer the following two questions with either an essay (500-word limit per response) or a video (maximum of 2 minutes per response):

1. **Why is sustainability important to you, and how will pursuing further education help you achieve your sustainability goals?**
2. **If you had the resources and ability to create powerful change in your community, what environmental solutions would you champion?**

Questions? Reach out to education@walkingsofter.org



Walking Softer Education Scholarships are provided by Walking Softer.

Walking Softer's mission is to inform, inspire, and support Changemakers to take bold and immediate action in the conservation and regeneration of our planet.