



Soroptimist International of Schenectady Community Service Awards Application Information 2012

What is Soroptimist International of Schenectady?

Soroptimist of Schenectady is part of the world's largest women's classified service organization, Soroptimist International, with over 100,000 members in 115 countries around the globe. Our organization is dedicated to "making a difference for women" through our many service programs, both locally and at an international level.

Our mission as a non-profit organization is "*to improve the lives of women and girls in local communities and throughout the world.*" As part of this mission, we distribute funds yearly to organizations that serve the needs of women and/or girls in Schenectady County.

How can your group or organization obtain funding?

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Application is limited to organizations that are located in or serve the needs of citizens of the Schenectady County. Chapters of national organizations must demonstrate significant local impact and fully outline the specific use of funds requested.
- The project must benefit the quality of life for women and/or girls in Schenectady County.
- Consideration will be given to the number of people served.
- Although we appreciate and applaud individual achievements, applications for individual endeavors, such as an athletic or pageant competition, will not be funded.

Please note that the number of applications often exceeds the funds available, so be realistic about your requests. We ask that you carefully consider whether the awarding of a smaller amount than requested would still be useful to your organization.

2012 Community Service Award process has been postponed until further notice. For more information, contact:

Susan Daly - Phone: 518-428-8830



Application for Community Service Award

Completed applications must be received by
(**date TBA**). Please mail to:

Soroptimist International of Schenectady
PO Box 9303
Niskayuna, NY 12309

Name of Organization: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Amount Requested: _____

To apply for an award, please send the following items:

- Submit 4 COPIES of completed application form and other supporting materials.
- A brief (no more than 1-2 pages) description of your proposed project, outlining how it will benefit women and/or girls in Schenectady County
- An explanation of how the funds will be used, including an itemization of costs and the time period during which the money will be spent

To help us during our decision making process, please answer the following questions as part of your project summary:

- If your request is not funded, or if it is only partially funded, will your organization still pursue the project?
- Has your organization applied for funds from Soroptimist International before?*

Was your organization granted funds?

What year(s) did you receive funding?

- How did you hear about this funding opportunity?

Signature _____ Title _____ Date _____

*Please note that a "yes" here neither precludes nor guarantees receipt of a current or future award