



Pacific Northwest  
Chapter  
Recycled Materials Association

# DR. LEONARD E. SCHNITZER MEMORIAL **SCHOLARSHIP** **2026**

**SUPPORTING THE NEXT  
GENERATION OF LEADERS**



## **SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS:**

(3) Scholarships Awarded ✓  
\$2,000 Each ✓

## **ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS:**

Employees of Member Firms ✓  
Spouses ✓  
Dependents ✓

## **SUPPORTING:**

Trade School ✓  
Undergraduate Degree ✓  
Graduate Degree ✓

**APPLY NOW!**

**DEADLINE: JUNE 5, 2026**



**DR. LEONARD E. SCHNITZER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP 2026**  
**Pacific Northwest Chapter of ReMA**

*The Dr. Leonard E. Schnitzer Memorial Scholarship is named in honor of Leonard Schnitzer, a pioneering leader in the American recycling and metals industry and a longtime business figure in Portland, Oregon.*

*As Chairman and CEO of Schnitzer Steel Industries, he helped grow a family-owned operation into a globally recognized leader in metal recycling, steel manufacturing, and export, advancing innovation in metal processing and reinforcing the role of recycling in sustainable manufacturing.*

*Presented by the Pacific Northwest Chapter of the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries, Inc. dba Recycled Materials Association (ReMA), this scholarship honors his legacy and reflects the industry's commitment to supporting the next generation of leaders.*

Three scholarships, each in the amount of \$2,000, will be awarded to assist dependents, spouses, and employees of current active, consumer, or associate member firms of the Pacific Northwest Chapter of the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries, Inc. dba Recycled Materials Association (ReMA) in pursuing trade school, undergraduate, or graduate education. To be eligible to receive a scholarship, an applicant must meet the following requirements:

- 1.) Each applicant must be a dependent of an employee, the spouse of an employee, or an employee of a current active, consumer, or associate member firm, in good standing of the Pacific Northwest Chapter of ReMA and ReMA national as of the date of award.
- 2.) Each applicant must intend to pursue studies at an accredited educational institution designed to meet the requirements for an academic, professional, or occupational degree conferred by a college, university, or other accredited school as listed by the U.S. Department of Education at <http://ope.ed.gov/accreditation/Search.aspx>.
- 3.) Each applicant must meet the minimum admission standards of an educational institution.

#### Scholarship Committee

- The selection of the scholarship recipients will be made by the Scholarship Committee of the Pacific Northwest Chapter of ReMA.
- In the case a voting team member is related to an applicant or has any conflict of interest, this member will recuse themselves from both discussion and scoring of any conflicted application.
- In the event of a tie, an additional board member or past president, without an employee or dependent applying, will be asked to review applications and vote.

*Scholarship decisions are made without regard to race, color, religion, creed, national origin or ancestry, ethnicity, sex (including gender, sexual orientation, and gender identity), age, physical or mental disability, veteran or military status, genetic information, citizenship, or any other legally protected status under federal, state, or local law.*

*Decisions are based solely on nondiscriminatory, objective criteria, including but not limited to academic performance, financial need, and personal history provided in the application.*

**To be considered for a scholarship, please complete the following:**

- Attached ReMA Pacific Northwest Chapter 2026 Scholarship Application,
- Application cover letter (personal history summarizing school activities, extracurricular activities, accomplishments, hobbies, personal goals, etc.),
- Short essay (one page or less) on the benefits of recycling,
- Transcript of grades from the last semester and prior year, and
- AI Scholarship Guidelines for Applicants.

Scholarships may be awarded on a continuing basis; however, the applicant must apply each year for additional scholarship funding. The scholarship shall be awarded for a full year of schooling. Half of the scholarship shall be paid in the first semester, half in the second. Payments will be made directly to the recipient's accredited educational institution, with the assistance of the ReMA finance department.

In the event a recipient does not complete a full year of school, any refunds shall be returned to the Dr. Leonard E. Schnitzer Memorial Scholarship Fund, and the recipient shall notify the Scholarship Committee Chair in writing of any changes in their education as soon as possible.

Please complete all information on the attached forms to expedite review and to facilitate timely funding of scholarships that are awarded through this process. Please submit completed applications by email to the following **no later than Friday, June 5, 2026:**

Sarah Glathar, Chair of the Scholarship Committee  
Pacific Northwest Chapter of ReMA  
[sglathar@geoengineers.com](mailto:sglathar@geoengineers.com)

**Please note:** An acknowledgement will be sent in confirmation of your emailed application. If you do not receive a confirmation email, please contact Sarah Glathar at 503-906-6567 to ensure that your email has not been blocked.

Submissions that are incomplete, unsigned, missing mandatory items, or received after the deadline will be disqualified.

The Pacific Northwest Chapter may issue all, some, or none of the scholarship funds available in any given year. Recipients will be notified in writing of the Chapter's decision by June 30, 2026.

The information collected in this application is solely collected to verify identity, determine eligibility, and if selected for a scholarship, for the announcement of scholarship awards, promotion of the scholarship program, or other publication of information related to the scholarship program.

*Contributions to this scholarship fund are not tax-deductible as charitable donations for individuals. Business contributors may be able to treat their contributions as a business expense. Donors should consult their tax advisor for guidance based on their specific circumstances.*

**2026 Application for Scholarship**

(Must be completed by all applicants)

**Dr. Leonard E. Schnitzer Memorial Scholarship Fund**

**ReMA Pacific Northwest Chapter**

To: Sarah Glathar, Chair of the Pacific Northwest Chapter of ReMA Scholarship Committee.

The following is my application for a scholarship established in the name of the Pacific Northwest Chapter of the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries, Inc. dba Recycled Materials Association (ReMA).

Name of Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (legal name only): \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ School ID# \_\_\_\_\_

Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

School Now Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

College or University You Plan to Attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (*Note: Must provide address of Bursar office or building*): \_\_\_\_\_

**Bursar Office Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

Do You Plan to Attend Full Term? \_\_\_\_\_ Fall Semester Tuition Due Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Major Field of Study You Plan to Pursue? \_\_\_\_\_

**Any additional information about your college or University's scholarship award policy:** \_\_\_\_\_

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ReMA PNW Chapter Member Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Employee: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Length of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_ Dept. & Job Description: \_\_\_\_\_

Is other parent employed? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, Company & Job Description: \_\_\_\_\_

**Member Firm Employee Signature:**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Release Agreement**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (name of scholarship recipient if recipient is over 18 years old or the name of the parent/guardian of recipient if the recipient is under 18 years old), do hereby give and grant permission to the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries, Inc. dba Recycled Materials Association ("ReMA"), and the Pacific Northwest Chapter of ReMA, the irrevocable right, permission, and license to publish, reproduce, distribute, and/or otherwise use: (i) my/my child's name; and (ii) any photographic image or likeness of me/my child in conjunction with the announcement of scholarship awards, promotion of the scholarship program, or other publication of information related to the scholarship program. I hereby waive all rights of inspection or approval and compensation with regard to any publication, and/or other use of my/my child's name.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## AI Scholarship Guidelines for Applicants

**All final written text and content submitted must be the applicant's own work.** ReMA chapters and regions want to hear directly from applicants to get a true understanding of their background, experiences, and personality. AI generated content may dilute an applicant's authenticity and personality in their responses. Further, ReMA chapters and regions have scholarship committees that evaluate personal statements based on specific criteria and preferences that may not be detected by AI. Any detection of plagiarism may disqualify a student's application.

### Examples of unethical uses of AI for ReMA chapter/region scholarship essays:

- Copying and pasting directly from AI generator.
- Relying on AI generated content to draft an essay.

### Examples of ethical uses of AI for ReMA chapter/region scholarship essays:

- Using AI tools to review grammar and spelling of completed essays.
- Using AI tools to research ReMA, its chapters/regions, and their scholarship programs.

By submitting this application, you acknowledge that you have read and agree to the AI guidance provided in this application. Submitted content should be authentic. Applicants who do not adhere to this guidance may be removed from the applicant pool at the sole discretion of the scholarship review committee.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_