515 West End Avenue, Statesville, NC, 28677

2026-2027 Sallie Southall-Cotten Scholarship Applicants:

Applicants: Please keep the following in mind...

1. This scholarship is awarded based on the candidate's character, scholastic records, evidence of intellectual promise, leadership ability and need for financial assistance. The Statesville Woman's Club SSC scholarship is a unique tiered scholarship opportunity. Our local recipient will receive a $1000 scholarship and a college shower. They will represent Statesville at the district scholarship competition with the opportunity to earn an additional $1,000 scholarship. The district scholarship recipient will compete for the state SSC scholarship which is $12,000 over a four-year period.
2. Our local recipients have been very successful with this process. Recently, our Statesville SSC recipients have won district and state scholarships!
3. Applicant must be a high school senior residing in NC and a citizen or permanent legal resident of the United States.
4. Applicants must be in the top quarter of their class.
5. Applicants must submit **complete** application packet by **Wednesday, January 13, 2027 at 6:00 pm,** (late applications will not be accepted) and must be available to meet with the Statesville Woman's Club selection committee for the interview **Sunday, January 24, 2027**. The exact ***time*** of interview will be determined for each applicant closer to the date. Interview time slots will begin at 1:00 pm. Each candidate will be given a specific time slot.
6. Our local winner **must** be available to compete at the **SSCS District ZOOM interview in Feb. date TBA.**
7. The scholarship must be used at a four-year college or university in the state of North Carolina. It can also be awarded to a community college student who plans to transfer to a four-year school to earn a degree.
8. Application available from your school counselor and on the SWC website at https://statesvillewomansclub.org/scholarships/

Please mail the completed application packet to: Statesville Woman's Club, 515 West End Avenue, Statesville, NC, 28677 **or** to ensure delivery on time and save postage, drop the packet through the mail slot at the SWC Clubhouse (double doors at center of porch).

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Application Packet Checklist! Please RETURN with application!

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___Application form... student section filled out completely, including signature of parent/guardian. Application available from your school counselor and on the SWC website at https://statesvillewomansclub.org/scholarships/

___Recent photograph. Photo will be used in newspaper if selected.

___Your personal letter explaining educational plans, future goals and why financial aid is necessary. Please include a separate page listing sports, extracurricular activities, community involvement, and high school awards.

___Letter of recommendation from either your high school principal, guidance counselor or a teacher.

___Letter of recommendation from a business or professional person who is not school related.

___SAT or ACT score.

___**Most current** high school transcript…class rank with number of students in classes listed…and grade point averages, weighted and unweighted.

___Financial Need Documentation: submit the FAFSA long form**.**

Student signature: _____

Thank you for your interest in the Sallie Southall-Cotten Scholarship.

We are looking forward to reviewing your packet and meeting YOU!

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