

Kansas Silver Haired Legislature (KSHL)

The Kansas Silver Haired Legislature is Accepting Applications for the Irv Hoffman Nursing Scholarship

Topeka, KS – The Kansas Silver Haired Legislature (KSHL) has opened the application period for the 2026 Irv Hoffman Kansas Silver Haired Legislature Nursing Scholarship. This \$1,000 scholarship is available to any Kansas resident currently enrolled in an accredited Kansas RN nursing program who intends to work with older adults in Kansas after graduation.

Eligible students entering their final year of nursing school in 2026 are encouraged to apply. Applicants must submit the scholarship application form along with a 500-word essay titled **“How I Can Contribute to the Care of Older Adults.”** All materials must be submitted by **March 1, 2026.**

Applications will be reviewed by the KSHL Nursing Scholarship Committee, and the selected recipient(s) will be notified following the committee’s decision. Scholarship funds will be disbursed before the 2026 fall and spring semesters. The recipient will also be invited to attend the annual KSHL Banquet in Topeka in October 2026 (exact date to be announced) to formally receive the award.

The Irv Hoffman Kansas Silver Haired Legislature Nursing Scholarship has supported one or more deserving Kansas nursing students for many years. The KSHL believes strongly in supporting the healthcare workforce that plays such a vital role in serving older Kansans.

Completed applications may be mailed to:

Irv Hoffman KSHL Scholarship

c/o Mary Calhoun
7916 Oakview Drive
Lenexa, KS 66215

Or submitted by email to: merrilee517@yahoo.com

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About the Kansas Silver Haired Legislature (KSHL)

The Kansas Silver Haired Legislature (KSHL), established in 1982, is a nonpartisan body of Kansas residents age 60+ elected from counties across the state. Authorized by a 1969 Act of Congress, KSHL advocates for issues affecting older adults and educates both seniors and state lawmakers on policies impacting aging Kansans. Learn more at [Kansas Silver Haired Legislature \(kansas-shl.org\)](http://kansas-shl.org).