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Stoneham Chamber of Commerce

2018 Scholarship Application

On behalf of the members of its 2018 Scholarship Committee, the Stoneham Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors is pleased to distribute the scholarship application for high school graduating seniors. This application is also available online at www.stonehamchamber.org. **Completed applications are due in the Chamber of Commerce Office, 335 Main Street, Suite 202, Stoneham, MA 02180 no later than FRIDAY, APRIL 13, 2018.**

Two of the three Chamber scholarship awards were created in memory of John F. Mahoney, Jr. and Kathleen E. Bray – community and Chamber members who used their talents and strengths to build their businesses in Stoneham and to find ways to give back to Stoneham over their years here. The Chamber's ability to fund these annual scholarships is directly tied to the generous support of its members. Each year these members underwrite programs such as this scholarship program, the Summer Concert Series, Town Day, the annual Tree Lighting, and many other events.

The Chamber currently offers three \$1,000 scholarships.

The Kathleen E. Bray Scholarship (1 @ \$1,000). Kathleen E. Bray was instrumental in the founding of the Chamber in 1984. She was a Chamber president and arts enthusiast who oversaw the Chamber's annual summer concert series for many years, and who served as the inspiration for the bandstand's placement on the Town Common.

The John F. Mahoney, Jr. Scholarship (1 @ \$1,000). John F. ('Jack') Mahoney, Jr. was the owner of J.F. Mahoney & Sons, Inc. and held strong personal and business ties with the Chamber of Commerce. He served as a Stoneham Selectman, and volunteered his time on many Town committees. John was named Father of Town Day, the Chamber's largest annual community event.

The Stoneham Chamber of Commerce Scholarship (1 @ \$1000). This scholarship is awarded ideally to a student pursuing a business-oriented career.

The Scholarship Committee will award these scholarships to deserving high school seniors. Scholarships are not necessarily needs based and application criteria require that applicants be either the child or grandchild of a member in good standing of the Stoneham Chamber of Commerce, or an employee of a member in good standing. Applicants are asked to provide two letters of reference, a current official transcript from their school and an essay.



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