

2027 Traffic Safety Scholars & Fellows (TSSF) Program Terms & Conditions

Program Overview

The 2027 Lifesavers Traffic Safety Scholars & Fellows (TSSF) Program provides scholarships to help offset the cost of attending the Lifesavers Conference on Roadway Safety, taking place March 6–9, 2027, at the Henry B. González Convention Center in San Antonio, Texas.

Approximately twenty Traffic Safety Scholars and four Traffic Safety Fellows will be selected to receive scholarships. Scholar applicants may be undergraduate or graduate students with an interest in traffic safety. Fellow applicants must be current graduate students who previously participated in the Lifesavers Conference as a Traffic Safety Scholar.

Each Fellow is paired with a traffic safety professional mentor and serves as a leader for a cohort of Scholars. Fellows provide support before and during the conference through virtual engagement, planning activities, and cohort leadership.

Participants will also receive an exclusive reduced conference registration rate and earn a Lifesavers Conference Accreditation Letter. Receiving the full scholarship and the Accreditation Letter is dependent upon fully participating in **all** required events.

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must be enrolled full- or part-time at an accredited college or university during the Fall 2026 academic year and must remain enrolled during the Spring 2027 semester to be eligible.

Traffic Safety Scholar applicants may be undergraduate or graduate students.

Traffic Safety Fellow applicants must:

- Be currently pursuing a graduate degree; and
- Have previously attended the Lifesavers Conference as a Traffic Safety Scholar or Fellow.

International Applicants: Students from outside the United States must have, or be able to obtain, the appropriate travel authorization, including a visa if required. Applicants will be asked to attest that they have initiated the necessary travel documentation process. Even if you attended a previous Lifesavers Conference without a visa, please verify current entry requirements before applying.

Evaluation Criteria

All qualified and eligible applications must include a 60-90-second video that meets the TSSF criteria. This video will be reviewed by a committee of traffic safety experts.

Applicants may be subject to an interview with the Review Committee, who reserves the right to limit the number of Scholars and Fellows selected based on availability of qualified applicants or scholarship funding and other administrative considerations.

TSSF Awards

Approximately twenty (20) Scholars and four (4) Fellows will be selected, subject to number of qualified applicants and available funding.

Selected Scholars will receive the following benefits upon successful completion of all Scholarship requirements:

- Three (3) nights of lodging at a Lifesavers Conference-sponsored hotel (March 6-9, 2027; check-in Saturday, March 6, check-out Tuesday, March 9).
- Reimbursement of eligible travel expenses, up to a maximum of **\$500** with receipts.
- Reimbursement of the **\$350 conference registration fee** paid by the recipient upon acceptance of the scholarship.
- Meals and a **meal stipend of \$50** to cover those not provided

Selected Fellows will receive the above benefits **and**:

- An additional **\$300 Fellowship stipend** upon successful completion of all Fellowship requirements.

All reimbursements are contingent upon submission of appropriate receipts and supporting documentation.

A Lifesavers Conference Accreditation Letter and payment for reimbursable expenses and stipends will be issued following the conference and upon successful completion of all required program activities outlined below.

Photography Waiver

The Lifesavers Conference plans to take photographs during the 2027 conference to be used in Lifesavers educational, news, or promotional materials, whether in print, electronic, or other media, including the Lifesavers website. By participating in the 2027 Lifesavers Conference, you grant Lifesavers Conference the right to use your name and photograph for such purposes. All postings are property of Lifesavers Conference and may be displayed or used by Lifesavers Conference for any purpose.

Requirements: PARTICIPATION IN ALL MANDATORY EVENTS REQUIRED TO RECEIVE FULL REIMBURSEMENT - NO EXCEPTIONS

All Scholars and Fellows must:

- Participate in their cohort's virtual pre-conference meet-and-greet and orientation held December 2026 or January 2027.
- Pay the \$350 TSSF registration fee, which includes access to conference workshops, plenary sessions, the exhibit hall, networking opportunities, designated meals, and refreshment breaks.

- Attend the entire Lifesavers Conference (March 6–9, 2027), including all required Traffic Safety Scholars & Fellows events.
- Share their Lifesavers Conference experience through LinkedIn and provide the link to Lifesavers Conference for future promotional purposes.
- Assist with volunteer responsibilities as needed.

In addition to the requirements above, Fellows must:

- Schedule and host the virtual pre-conference meet-and-greet and orientation with their Scholar cohort before mid-January 2027.
- Participate in two to three online planning meetings with the TSSF Committee prior to the conference.
- Organize a cohort activity during the conference.

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