

**MARTY DOLLEY**  
**HARD WORK AND DEDICATION**  
**SCHOLARSHIP**

In memory of Marty Dolley, an anonymous donor has established a graduating senior scholarship fund. This scholarship is to support 4-H and FFA students interested in continuing their education at a 2 or 4 year college or trade school. Two (2) \$500.00 scholarships will be awarded to graduating high school seniors who are **exhibiting market steers** at the 2026 Citrus County Fair.

The purpose of the scholarship is to encourage young people to pursue their future career goals. Applicants must be participants in the 2026 Citrus County Fair to qualify. **The application must be in to the Fair Office no later than 5:00 pm on Friday, February 27, 2026. No postmarked or metered mail after the deadline will be accepted. Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

1. Applicants must be Citrus County 4-H Members or FFA Members in good standing and of graduating status.
2. **The applicant must be a Steer Exhibitor at the 2026 Citrus County Fair.**
3. The Scholarship must be used at an approved institution of higher education, within 2 years of graduation from high school.
4. The award will be presented at an official activity of the Citrus County Fair.
5. The selection committee will require a personal interview with the applicant.
6. The applicant must complete an essay. The essay must accompany the application. In life Marty shared his ideals with many people: to work hard, to keep your word, to tell the truth, to love one another, and to have fun in all that you do. **In your own words, and using specific examples, explain how your life relates to these ideals, that meant so much to him.**

**SUBMIT APPLICATION TO:**

**Marty Dolley Hard Work and Dedication Scholarship  
Citrus County Fair Office  
3600 South Florida Avenue  
Inverness, Florida 34450**

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**1. NAME & AGE:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Age, on January 1, of this year \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

**2. RESIDENCE:**

(A) Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

(B) Home Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Number \_\_\_\_\_

**3. SCHOOL:**

Date of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Ranked \_\_\_\_\_ Class of \_\_\_\_\_

**4. FAMILY:**

(A.) Name of Father \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Living: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

(B.) Name of Mother \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Living: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

(C.) Name of Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**5. What College OR School do you plan to attend?**

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**6. Have you applied for admission? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, are you accepted? \_\_\_\_\_**

**7. Describe why you are interested in pursuing a college education. \_\_\_\_\_**

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**8. 4-H and/or FFA ACTIVITIES:**

**(A) Number of years as a 4-H member:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Number of years as a FFA member:** \_\_\_\_\_

**(B) Major Projects and Activities:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**(C) 4-H/FFA Leadership Experience:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**(D) 4-H/FFA Citizenship and Community Service Activities:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**9. OTHER SCHOOL OR COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHOWING LEADERSHIP OR PARTICIPATION.**

**(A) School:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**(B) Church:** \_\_\_\_\_

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(C) Other Youth Groups: \_\_\_\_\_  
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(D) Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**IMPORTANT: Attach the essay (500 word minimum) to the application.**

Please list below two (2) personal references:

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| 1. | _____ |         |       |
|    | NAME  | ADDRESS | PHONE |
| 2. | _____ |         |       |
|    | NAME  | ADDRESS | PHONE |

**I HAVE PERSONALLY PREPARED ALL STATEMENTS MADE ON THIS APPLICATION AND THEY ARE CORRECT.**

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| SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT                     | DATE  |
| _____                                      | _____ |
| SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN               | DATE  |
| _____                                      | _____ |
| SIGNATURE OF 4-H CLUB LEADER / FFA ADVISOR | DATE  |
| _____                                      | _____ |

**NOTICE: If you are selected you must bring or mail in a copy of your acceptance and registration at an approved institution of higher education to the Fair Office. Then the school will be mailed a check or reimbursement to you with paid receipts for approved expenses.**