

# Mission Statement

**The mission of the Arizona Elk Society is to benefit elk and other wildlife by generating resources for habitat conservation and restoration, and to preserve our hunting heritage for present and future generations.**

*In support of our mission we are committed to:*

Conserving and enhancing wildlife habitat in Arizona.

- Protecting and promoting our hunting heritage.

- Promoting sound wildlife and habitat management through partnering with government agencies and other organizations.

- Implementing special programs for youth education regarding conservation, hunting and outdoor activities.

- Informing the general public about issues concerning wildlife conservation, as well as scientific and biological wildlife and habitat management.



Photo: John Hiller

The Arizona Elk Society has chosen to provide scholarships to High School Seniors and College students. The AES desires to support students pursuing a degree in wildlife sciences or other closely related fields. These scholarships are available to students who will attend or are already attending accredited colleges and universities. Our hope is that these students will become the next generation of wildlife conservationists. We need young adults that understand and strive to support the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation.

Many organizations like the Arizona Elk Society are searching for young adults to lead the way for wildlife conservation as does the AES with the Elk herds in Arizona. The Arizona Elk Society wants to invest in the future of wildlife conservation by supporting students today.

Please pass this information on to students you feel will qualify and benefit from our scholarships.

Arizona Elk Society  
7773 W. Golden Lane  
Peoria, AZ 85345  
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## The Arizona Elk Society Scholarships



*In Support of our Future Conservationists*





## Available Scholarships

**\$1000**  
**High School Senior**

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**\$750**  
**High School Senior**

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**\$1000**  
**College Student**

**All recipients must exhibit a commitment to wildlife and the outdoors and participate in school-related responsibilities and activities.**

### Need more information?

For more information about this scholarship, please visit our website at [www.arizonaelksociety.org](http://www.arizonaelksociety.org), email [scholarships@arizonaelksociety.org](mailto:scholarships@arizonaelksociety.org) or call 602.492.5319

## Eligibility Requirements

① **Applicants for each of the two high school student scholarships** must be Arizona residents and graduating high school seniors with plans to attend an accredited college. All students, both high school and college, must have a minimum GPA of 2.7 on a 4.0 scale. Applicants for the college student scholarship must be pursuing a degree in and/or closely related to wildlife science from an accredited college or university. A copy of the student's high school and/or college transcript is required.

② **Students must support and actively participate in the preservation of hunting.** A copy of the student's current hunting license is required.

③ **Students must be a current member** of the Arizona Elk Society.

④ **Students must be involved in school or community activities** supporting conservation and/or leadership positions within the community (FFA, scouting, 4-H, student council, and more).

⑤ **Students must submit an essay** describing why wildlife conservation is important to them. In addition, the autobiography must provide evidence that the student is committed to wildlife conservation.

⑥ **Three letters of recommendation** are required. and may not be from family members.

### Interested in donating to the AES scholarship program?

Contact Steve Clark, AES Executive Director at 602.492.5319, [stevec@arizonaelksociety.org](mailto:stevec@arizonaelksociety.org) or go to [arizonaelksociety.org](http://arizonaelksociety.org).



## Application Process

① Download the Scholarship Application Form at [www.arizonaelksociety.org](http://www.arizonaelksociety.org) and complete.

② Mail completed application along with essay, 3 letters of recommendation and other required materials. Must be postmarked by May 30, 2020. Mail to:

*Arizona Elk Society  
Attn: Scholarship Committee  
7773 W. Golden Lane  
Peoria, AZ 85345*

③ Application materials will be reviewed by the scholarship committee. The top applications will be presented to the Arizona Elk Society Board and all three recipients will be chosen from these.

**The AES scholarship recipients will be announced at the AES Annual Banquet.**