



Hagerty Drivers Foundation to award \$100,000 in driver's education grants to help keep young drivers safe

TRAVERSE CITY, Mich., May 24, 2022 - According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, young drivers 16 to 19 are at a greater risk of motor vehicle crashes than any other age group. A quality driver training class can help, but courses can be expensive these days – between \$200 and \$400 in many states. So, what are young drivers and their parents to do?

One option: Submit a 300-word essay or a one-minute video answering the question: "Why are you excited to drive?" to the Hagerty Drivers Foundation's "License to the Future" grant program for a chance to win up to \$500 toward a driver's training course.

"A quality driver's education course is extremely valuable to teens as they experience the freedom of mobility whether they're entering the workforce, pursuing advanced education opportunities, or simply spending time with their friends," said Jonathan Klinger, Executive Director of the Hagerty Drivers Foundation. "Helping the next generation of driving enthusiasts learn the skills necessary to operate cars safely and skillfully is part of our overall mission of making sure car culture is celebrated and accessible to everyone."

Applications are accepted from all 50 states and Canada. Submissions are on-going throughout the calendar year. Rooted in the foundation's charitable purpose of shaping the future of car culture while celebrating our automotive past, the Hagerty Drivers Foundation will provide \$100,000 in grants this year to students seeking formal training through an accredited drivers training program.

Grant consideration is open to applicants between the ages of 14 and 18. Entries can be submitted at <https://driversfoundation.org/> by submitting either a 300-word essay or a one-minute video answering the question: "Why are you excited to drive?" Grants are paid directly to driver's education training facilities.

About Hagerty Drivers Foundation

The Hagerty Drivers Foundation is a 501c3 nonprofit launched in 2021 by Hagerty. With the purpose of ensuring car culture is celebrated and accessible to everyone while providing funding for automotive training and education, the Hagerty Drivers Foundation provides scholarships for students in the automotive field of education, as well as students seeking formal driver education training. In addition, the Foundation continues to build a federally recognized program – the National Historic Vehicle Register – that documents and records the important history of our automotive past. For more information, please visit <https://driversfoundation.org/>.

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