



## THE FLORENCE ROSS SCHOLARSHIP ("ROSS Scholarship")

*Sponsored by Desert Palm Legal Professionals Association (DPLPA)*

Each year **Desert Palm Legal Professionals Association** offers a scholarship to local Coachella Valley students enrolled in a college, university or business school offering a degree or certificate of completion upon graduation for a course of study in the legal field, i.e., paralegals, legal assistants, legal secretaries, law office receptionists, court reporters, etc.

*Florence Ross was a well-respected and beloved member of the local legal community. She was a member of DPLPA since it was first chartered in 1961. Florence was also an avid supporter and advocate for further education. To honor her commitment to DPLPA and the legal field, in 2016 posthumously, by unanimous vote, the DPLPA Scholarship Fund was renamed the **Florence Ross Scholarship Fund**.*

**[APPLY NOW - Click to download APPLICATION CHECKLIST](#)**

**APPLICATIONS MUST EMAILED NO LATER THAN MARCH 16<sup>th</sup> - Prior to 11:59 p.m.**

### **High School Senior**

**Title:** Category A

**Amount:** \$500 for First Place

**Details:** Applicants shall be restricted to seniors who will have successfully completed high school by the end of June and will be enrolled in the fall semester immediately following the school year in a college or business school offering a course of study in the legal field. All applicants must be a resident of the Coachella Valley and must be attending school within the Coachella Valley during the scholarship year.

### **College Student / Career Change Student**

**Title:** Category B

**Amount:** \$500 for First Place

**Details:** **College Student** Applicants shall be restricted to students who will have completed at least one year of college by June of the school year, and who will be enrolled in the fall semester immediately following the school year in a college or business school in a course of study in the legal field, until all such courses have been taken to satisfy the requirements for a degree or certificate in said legal related program. **Career Change Student** Applicants either (a) desires to re-enter the workforce after a prolonged absence but requires training or specialized education in order to qualify as a candidate for a position in the legal field; or (b) has been in the workforce for a number of years but desires to enter the legal field and wants to receive the training or specialized education needed to do so. All applicants must be a resident of the Coachella Valley.

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