

# Zonta Club of Buffalo Gallivan Award 2026

## General Information

The Zonta Club of Buffalo's Gallivan Award recognizes students who have promoted the goals of Zonta International. Zonta International is a leading global organization of professionals empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy ([www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org)). The club was founded in Buffalo in 1919 by Marian de Forest and now has more than 28,000 members in 62 countries and geographic areas. All high school/home school college-bound seniors who are living or going to school in the city of Buffalo are encouraged to apply for this award.

### **The Award**

The one time award is \$1,500

### **Who is Eligible?**

Women who are precollege students at the time of application ***LIVING OR GOING TO SCHOOL IN THE CITY OF BUFFALO*** and Buffalo and demonstrate:

- Evidence of active commitment to volunteerism.
- High academic skills.
- Evidence of dedication to advancing the status of women worldwide.

### **Application Requirements**

- Completion of the official application.
- Verification of current enrollment by a school official.
- Two confidential recommendations from adults, not related to the applicant: one from a teacher, and one from an advisor or community leader.
- One page typed essay describing your goals, education plans and community involvement.
- One-page, typed explanation of school, extracurricular, service activities, honors, & recognitions
- Verification of admission to a college. Can be photocopy of acceptance letter. Supporting documentation not requested will not be considered.

**Submission of Application Materials.** Submit all materials by May 1 (receipt date) to Zonta Buffalo Award Committee, Zonta Club of Buffalo, P.O. Box 1252, Buffalo, NY 14240-1252 or submit electronically to [gwillsky@buffalo.edu](mailto:gwillsky@buffalo.edu) with Gallivan and applicant name in the subject area.

### **Application Process Timetable**

Application is below and can be downloaded from the Zonta Club of Buffalo Web site ([www.zontaclubbuffalo.org](http://www.zontaclubbuffalo.org)). Applications should be received by the Zonta Club of Buffalo by May 1; Announcement of Winner in May

# **Zonta Club of Buffalo**

## **Gallivan Award Application 2026**

**Send typed completed application to: Awards Committee, Zonta Club of Buffalo, P.O. Box 1252, Buffalo, NY 14240-1252 by May 1, Receipt date or emailed to [gwillsky@buffalo.edu](mailto:gwillsky@buffalo.edu) with Gallivan and applicant name in subject line. Required application information can be provided in a word document.**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Last (Family) First (Given) Middle -Please Print If submitting hard copy only

**Present Mailing Address:**

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name and Address of School currently attending:**

**Name and Address of College Where Accepted (may be changed later):**

**Name of Teacher writing recommendation:**

**Name of Advisor writing recommendation:**

**Please provide:**

1. A one page maximum, typed essay including description of your goals, how your education will prepare you for that future, and how you have worked to benefit your school or community.
2. A one-page typed list of any school, extracurricular, and service activities. Include the role that you play in these activities and any honors or recognitions that you have earned.

**Checklist of items for submission deadline of May 1, 2026**

- Completed application in English
- One page typed essay describing your goals, education plans and community involvement.
- One-page, typed list of school, extracurricular, service activities, honors, & recognitions
- Verification of current enrollment, including overall GPA, by school official
- One confidential letter of recommendation by teacher
- One confidential letter of recommendation from advisor
- Verification of acceptance to a college. This can be a photocopy of an acceptance letter and a different school can be substituted later.

**Verification of Current Enrollment**  
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**Name of School:**

\_\_\_\_\_ is currently enrolled in

grade \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ School

with a GPA of \_\_\_\_\_ and class rank of \_\_\_\_\_ (if available)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of official \_\_\_\_\_

Address of School:

Official School Stamp:

**Recommendation for Zonta Club of Buffalo  
Gallivan Award 2026  
Receipt Deadline May 1, 2026**

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last (Family) Name      First      Middle

Recommendation from \_\_\_\_\_  
Name (please print)      Title

The applicant above has applied for the Zonta Club of Buffalo Gallivan Award for students who have promoted the wellbeing of women and girls through their actions. Please discuss the applicant's accomplishments, motivation, and abilities below or in separate letter. **This recommendation must be mailed directly to the awards committee Zonta Club of Buffalo, PO Box 1251, Buffalo NY 14240-1252 or emailed to gwillsky @buffalo.edu with Gallivan and applicant name in the subject area.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_