



CONNECTICUT PARKS ASSOCIATION, INC.

DENNIS MALONE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD PROGRAM

Founded in 1958, the Connecticut Parks Association's mission is to promote park access, development, maintenance, and preservation in Connecticut communities. It also aims to develop a network and fellowship among park professionals. Membership is open to professional executive and superintendent level managers of park systems and related fields, commercial vendors, and other persons who exhibit high interest and contribution to the purpose of the Association.

The scholarship award program was named in honor of Dennis Malone after he passed away in 1998. Dennis was a past president of the Association and founder of the scholarship program. The scholarship serves to perpetuate the memory of Dennis Malone by making scholarship awards to future professionals who display potential for this profession.

The scholarship awards are open to applicants who are high school graduating seniors who plan to attend an accredited two- or four-year college and pursue a career in park management, forestry, horticulture, agronomy, or a closely related field. Scholarships may be awarded up to \$1,200, depending on the number of recipients.

Selection for the awards is based on financial need, academic achievement, and involvement in activities related to the intended course of study. Interested applicants should print and complete the application available at www.ctparks.org, and return no later than April 15, 2026 (postmarked or emailed) to:

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Questions may be emailed to Helen Rubino-Turco at helenrt@westhartfordct.gov.

Awards will be announced in mid-May.