



TRI-COUNTY OPPORTUNITIES COUNCIL

Community Action Agency

Tri-County Opportunities Council Community Action Agency recently announced that applications for at least 10 scholarships are now open for income-eligible students.

Tri-County Opportunities Council scholarships open

Deadline is March 13

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The Tri-County Opportunities Council announced that applications are open, and it will award at least 10 scholarships to income-eligible students this year.

The scholarships are for \$2,000 each and can be used at a college, university or trade school. Students may attend in-state or out-of-state institutions and may enroll in in-person or virtual programs.

Eligible applicants must be residents of Bureau, Carroll, La Salle, Lee, Marshall, Ogle, Putnam, Stark or Whiteside counties and be members of an income-eligible household.

Students enrolled full-time with at least 12 semester hours may qualify for the full \$2,000 award. Part-time students also are eligible to apply, although scholarship amounts would be awarded on a prorated basis if selected.

The application deadline is March 13. For information, call 800-323-5434, ext. 710, or visit tcohelps.org.

McNabb Library to host watercolor workshop on Feb. 11

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The Putnam County Public Library District's McNabb Branch invites the public to "Splash of Color: Watercolor Workshop," at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11.

Day-themed artwork using watercolors and the wax-resist technique.

No experience is necessary – just bring your creativity and enjoy experimenting with color and texture to make a heartfelt masterpiece.

This program is free and open to the public, and all supplies will be provided. For more information, call 815-339-2038. The library is located at 322 W. Main St., McNabb.

Putnam library district to hold third annual tree giveaway

Third annual giveaway part of "America250" program; registration due March 15

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The Putnam County Public Library District will partner with Neighborhood Forest to hold its

third annual tree giveaway as part of its "America250: Our Shared History" program.

The library district will offer local youth tree saplings. The saplings highlight present and future environmental stewardship and land care. Registration is required and due Sunday, March 15. To register, visit shorturl.at/LagW5.

The tree saplings special will be announced in early April. The saplings pickup runs from Sunday, April 19, through Saturday, April 25.



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