The California Society of Municipal Finance Officers (CSMFO) established the Robert M. Odell endowed scholarship fund in April 1987 to honor the former city treasurer of Los Angeles. The scholarships are awarded on an alternating basis between northern and southern geographic regions of California to the seventeen campuses offering degree programs in public administration.

Four (4) $2,500 scholarships will be awarded for the 2022-2023 academic year. Students from the following campuses are eligible this year:

- California State University, Chico
- California State University, East Bay
- California State University, Fresno
- California State University, Sacramento
- California State University, Stanislaus
- San Francisco State University
- San José State University
- Sonoma State University

Applicants must:
- Be in a degree program in public administration
- Be in good standing with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- Be currently enrolled as a full-time, upper division undergraduate or graduate student in public administration and must remain a full-time student in good standing during the academic year in which the award is received.
- Not be a previous recipient of this award.

Strong consideration will be given to an applicant who is also:
- Public administration major specializing in finance.
- First generation college student.

Applications are available through the campus Financial Aid Office.

The Financial Aid Office will review applications to ensure that they meet all stated requirements. The campus may submit one (1) applicant for consideration to the CSU Foundation to make the final selection. Priority will be based on G.P.A.

Completed applications submitted by the campus Financial Aid Office to the CSU Foundation include the following:
- Scholarship Applicant Information form
- A brief Personal Statement describing their background, personal achievements, challenges they have encountered, educational pursuits and aspirations for the future
- A completed Application Checklist

The scholarship recipients will be invited by the California Society of Municipal Finance Officers to attend their annual professional conference in 2022. This conference is an opportunity for students to learn about job opportunities in the field of municipal finance. The conference details are still being determined due to current circumstances.

Contact the Financial Aid Department for the Spring Application Deadline
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Where indicated, either Financial Aid or the Scholarship Coordinator can verify completion.

Each application and checklist must be attached as one PDF and e-mailed to the campus Financial Aid Department.

Please do not send physical files.

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