

Grange Grassroots Activism Award

(National Program)

Any member who has completed the Sapphire and Emerald John Trimble Legislative Achievement Award requirements is eligible for the Grange Grassroots Activism Award program. The deadline for submitting all documents is **March 1**.

Applicants must submit all of the following to the National Grange Legislative Director:

- The completed application form, which is in the *2018 Grange Youth Program and Contest Handbook* or can be downloaded from www.orgrange.org/youth.
- A copy of a letter or email you have sent to a state or national representative OR a copy of a published letter to the editor you wrote advocating on behalf of the Grange for a specific policy issue OR a copy of a resolution you have written and presented to your Subordinate/Community Grange with date of presentation and outcome.
- A typed analysis paper of 2,500 to 3,000 words (12 point Times New Roman font, double-spaced with one inch margins all around) illustrating the merits of a National Grange policy for the Grange as a whole, your community or state and/or rural Americans or farmers and an action plan for Grange members across the country to advocate on behalf of that policy.
- Two letters of reference: one from your State Master, and one from your State Legislative Director, State Youth Director, or a National Grange officer. The letter should address your character, ability for engagement and activism and interest in Grange policy.

Prizes: Two \$800 travel scholarships to the National Grange Legislative Fly-In. All other entrants will receive certificates of participation.