

## ForeverFund Scholarship

Application Instructions

Deadline: Open



### BACKGROUND

ForeverHBCU.com in conjunction with Responsive Solutions provide scholarships to minority and economically disadvantaged students who are between the ages of 6-10 years old. Among the scholarship's primary aims are to increase diversity in all professions, and particularly in science and technology. Another goal is to foster social and environmental responsibility. To this end, scholarship recipients are selected not only for their need, but also for their desire to giving back to the larger community through their work in the future.

### AWARD AMOUNTS

Basic scholarships are awarded in the amounts of \$300 to \$500. Special awards may also be given in the amount of \$1000 at the jury's discretion. *The unique aspect of these scholarships is that the original amount indicated above would increase over the ten+ years the child is in primary and secondary school.* Upon acceptance to college, these awards are paid directly to the school and applied toward tuition or other college expenses.

### SELECTION AND NOTIFICATION PROCESS

A jury of creative professionals appointed by ForeverHBCU.com and Responsive Solutions will evaluate entries. In selecting the winning entries, jurors will take into account a number of factors, including: quality of submitted work, financial need, minority status, academic record, recommendations, and strength of written statement of purpose. All applicants will be notified by mail. When accepted to college, ForeverHBCU.com and Responsive Solutions will notify school of financial award and distribute scholarship monies directly to the institution's financial aid office, half in the fall and half in the spring. Parents/guardian are required to notify ForeverHBCU.com of any changes in academic status of their child who receives an award.



### AREAS OF STUDY

Any degree program offered at an accredited college or university is acceptable. Special consideration will be given applicants who express an interest to study science and/or technology. Many primary school aged children may be uncertain as to what they want to study in college but they probably have expressed an interest in a cause, a project or job type that can be mentioned in application



## **ELIGIBILITY**

*Applicants must be between the ages of 6 and 10, although the target age group is 8 years old.*

- Applicants must plan to matriculate at an accredited college or university in the United States.
- International students planning to study at an accredited college and university in the United States may apply.
- Though not a requirement, minority status is a significant factor considered in decisions.
- Scholarships are only awarded to those students who are in financial need. Applicants must, therefore, be approved for financial aid by their educational institution. \*\*



## **CONTINUOUS BUILDING**

ForeverHBCU.com and RESPONSIVE SOLUTIONS are creative organizations that believe in taking risks for communities in need- to advance imaginative and progressive change. As such, we eagerly anticipate the work that our young scholarship recipients will accomplish now and in the future. We take our scholarship program seriously, and hope that recipients will keep us abreast of their academic and personal successes as they work toward their goals.

*Recipients will also receive monthly newsletters and the parents will receive quarterly statements of their child's account*

## **TO APPLY**

Please follow all application instructions thoroughly. Applications for ForeverFund Scholarships are available online at [www.ForeverHBCU.com](http://www.ForeverHBCU.com) or you may write to us. Where available, you may also complete and send the application on-line. There will be a delay in reviewing mail-in applications.

## Step 1: Application Worksheet

### 1.1 Written Statement of Purpose

Please assist your child in writing a Statement of Purpose.

Answer both of the following in **no more than 600 words total**. The space on-line will only accommodate 600 words so prepare your Statement in advance to make sure it will fit.

1. Write a brief history about the family and the child who would receive the scholarship. Explain how any experiences have influenced creative work and/or career plans.

2. In the future, how do you see yourself contributing to the community at large?

#### Please Keep in Mind:

Creativity holds enormous power to impact change. ForeverHBCU.com is committed to encouraging social responsibility and cultural awareness in the next generation. It is particularly important for us to see your child's intent to give back in some manner. This statement plays an increasing importance in jury decisions as grade levels progress.

#### Examples of a Commitment to a Social Agenda:

- volunteering for ongoing projects in local community or nationally (include brief explanation)
- Plans or desires to help a developing nation (with brief explanation)
- plans to help prepare disadvantaged students for college (include brief explanation)
- Ideas on how to beautify or enhance the community using art and creativity (include brief explanation)

Other goals or ideas that involve creativity and innovation

### 1.2 Photo

A photo of the child with the application is required. This photo will not be returned. This photo can be uploaded or mailed in.

#### **"I DON'T HAVE A COMPUTER"**

If you do not have access to a computer contact ForeverHBCU.com by mail or fax: ForeverFund, PO Box 32121, Oakland, CA 94604 FAX 510-532-1701, request an application.

The paper application must be completed and **mailed** to ForeverFund Scholarships. Please read instructions thoroughly.

## Step 2: Completing and Mailing the Application

Complete paper application then mail it in. You may also complete application online at: [www.foreverHBCU.com](http://www.foreverHBCU.com) or [Responsivesolutions.org](http://Responsivesolutions.org).

### 2.1 Financial Information

A legal parent or guardian must complete this section. If current figures are not available please use last year's figures, or estimate to the best of your ability.

all information must be filled in or applicant may be disqualified.

## 2.2 School Transcripts

Include your child's most school transcripts verifying academic record. You must mail a copy as part of a complete application. We will not review your submission without transcripts.

## 2.3 References (optional)

To demonstrate additional support, submit two letters of reference from family, friends, mentors, etc... any person 18 or older.

Reference letters must be sealed in their own envelope, and the envelope signed across the seal by the signer. In addition, please list the names, titles and telephone numbers of your two references in application.

## 2.4 Letters of Recommendation (optional)

You may include two letters of recommendation from schoolteachers. Recommendations must be sealed in their own envelope, and the envelope signed across the seal by the recommender. . In addition, please list the names, titles and telephone numbers of teachers providing recommendations in application.

### Step 3: Checklist

The following checklist indicates all the steps you should have performed and lists all the materials you must gather and include along with this paper application to be mailed. Please read carefully and check each item to make sure it is included in the package you send.

You will need to provide and complete the following: Check  
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Social Security number of child	
Passport or Visa number (for international students)	
Date and location of child's birth	
Racial/ethnic identity	
Native country	
Current citizenship	
Current Address or Address at School	
Permanent Address (when not in school)	
Name of current School	
Expected High School graduation date	
Area of future study (at college)	
List the most recent schools that your child has attended along with the dates of attendance,	
Include photo of child to receive award (will <b>not</b> be returned)	
Include references (optional)	
Include School teach recommendations (optional)	
School transcripts	
Completed Application	
Completed Statement of Purpose	
Completed and signed Authorization Letter (Page 4)	

### MAIL PAPER APPLICATION, PHOTOS, TRANSCRIPTS, LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION, TO:

ForeverFund Scholarships  
 Attn: New Applications  
 PO Box 32121  
 Oakland, CA 94604  
 Website: [www.ForeverHBCU.com](http://www.ForeverHBCU.com)

**Step 4: Signature and Date**

**Please read this section carefully.**

1. Have you previously received a ForeverFund scholarship from ForeverHBCU.com ?

**Yes**

**No**

2. Have you read and understand the terms and conditions to receiving an award? If no, see page 5.

**Yes**

**No**

3. You agree to allow:

ForeverHBCU.com to reproduce statements, and use photos submitted with application in promotional literature and communications in the event an award is granted.

**Yes**

**No**

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Student Name (please print)

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Parent's Name (please print)

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Parent's Signature

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Date