

Circle of Giving Foundation

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Deadline to submit – April 21, 2023

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

E-Mail Address _____ Phone Number: _____

Date of Birth _____

High School you will graduate from _____

Graduation Date _____ Current GPA _____ on a scale of _____

Course of Study planned _____

College to Attend -Fall 2023 _____

List Community Activities you are involved in outside of school

List School activities, organizations, offices held, positions held, and awards received during high school.

I certify that all statements contained in this application are true and correct.

Applicant

Date

Requirements for COG Foundation Scholarship

1. Must be a high school graduating senior.
2. Must have a minimum of 2.5 cumulated High School GPA (Transcript required).
3. Must enroll in 12 hours at desired college (Full-time).
4. Scholarship (\$1,000-\$1,500) is awarded once annually.

Circle of Giving/Scholarship Foundation, 1927 Huskins Street, Statesville, NC 28625
(circleofgiving10@yahoo.com)

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The Circle of Giving (COG) Foundation provides awards for scholarships annually (\$1,000-1,500). The awards are based on:

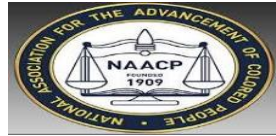
Scholarship Requirements:

- Candidate must be high school senior with a minimum grade point average of 2.5
- Provide unofficial transcript
- Must enroll in 12 hours at desired college
- Letter of Recommendation from a Teacher/School Official
- Essay

Student Application Procedures:

- Each candidate will submit completed scholarship application form.
- Each application must be accompanied by
 - o One (1) letter of recommendation from a Teacher/School Official
 - o Written Essay
 - The essay should be 1-2 page typed and double spaced using 12 pt. Times New Roman font. Submissions that do not follow this format may not be considered. Handwritten essays ***will not*** be accepted.
 - Choose ***one*** of the 6 questions below to write your essay:
 1. What does your future look like from a financial standpoint? What will you prioritize in your life with regards to money? Travel? Education? Buying a home? Elaborate on what tools you will use to achieve your financial goals?
 2. Discuss one obstacle you have overcome in your life and what tools or skills you used to overcome that obstacle. What did you learn about yourself as you addressed that obstacle?
 3. What are the 3 greatest risks for not completing college? What steps will you take to avoid those risks?
 4. You are tasked with creating a new category for the Nobel Prize. Explain what it would be, why you chose your specific category, and the criteria necessary to achieve this accomplishment.
 5. If you had 10 minutes and the attention of a million people, what would your TED Talk be about?
 6. How can you be engaged in social justice activism addressing issues at the local and/or state level?
 - We encourage you to have someone (i.e. teacher or guidance counselor) to proofread and review your essay.
 - o College Acceptance Letter

[Deadline for submitting scholarship application is April 21,2023](#) (Late applications will not be considered). Return form to **Circleofgiving10@yahoo.com** or by mail to **Circle of Giving/Scholarship Foundation, 1927 Huskins Street, Statesville, NC 28625**



COG Mission: Circle of Giving is a not-for-profit community service organization with over 100 individual members. The organization was founded in 2010. The purpose of Circle of Giving is to service the needs of families and individuals suffering from hardships in our communities. We believe that by our collective efforts of giving and caring we can help transform the communities in which we serve.

NAACP Mission: The mission of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is to ensure the political, educational, social, and economic equality of rights of all persons and to eliminate racial hatred and racial discrimination.

Pointers for Writing and Submitting Your Essay:

Essay will be 1-2 pages, typed and double spaced using 12-point Times New Roman font.

In the introduction paragraph, state a clear, direct statement of what the essay will be about, attempting to capture the reader's interest.

The essay will progress with two or three following paragraphs that give specific anecdotal examples of your position on the essay topic, your thoughts, any research findings and other material supporting your direct statement from the introduction paragraph.

The essay will conclude with a conclusion paragraph that recaps all that has been included in the essay.

Tell a story.

While writing the essay, attempt to tell a story. Help your readers get to know you as a person by sharing examples and anecdotes to illustrate your writing qualities, writing strengths, and time you spent exploring the topic of the essay as well as your answer. Use concrete details to help the committee members imagine you as a person.

Be yourself.

Imagine you are having a conversation with the scholarship committee. Write in a formal, but conversational style. Do not try to impress by using an excessively academic tone or overly complicated language. If you are in doubt, ask someone who knows you well, "Does this sound like me?"

Proofread!

An essay with even one grammatical mistake or spelling error will affect the impression you make. Sadly, this could result in a loss in points affecting your chances at being selected for a scholarship.

Thank you for participating in the COG 2023 scholarship process –Best of Luck!