



George & Enid Brooks Foundation Scholarship

The **George & Enid Brooks Foundation Scholarship** was established by the family of Reverend George Brooks and his wife, Mrs. Enid Brooks in 2007 as a way of honoring the memory of a couple who loved young adults and dedicated their lives to encouraging them to pursue their dreams through higher education.

Purpose:

To financially assist young adults who exemplify true character and devotion to academics in their pursuit of higher education.

Mission Statement:

The George & Enid Brooks Foundation is a 501(c)3 organization established by the family of the late Rev. George and Mrs. Enid Brooks. The purpose of this non-profit organization is to assist young people locally and in the island nation of Jamaica to acquire education and achieve their personal goals.

History:

We presented our first scholarship in December 2007. Since then, we have increased the awards from one to two scholarships yearly. To date, we have awarded 15 scholarships to students attending college locally and nationally. Many of our alumni are working and volunteering in and around their communities, continuing in the spirit of community service that initially made them great candidates.

The George & Enid Brooks Foundation will continue to award scholarships on an annual basis to qualified high school seniors who live, attend school in Paterson, NJ and who actively participate in their church community and ministry.

Motto:

"Intelligence plus character--That is the goal of true education."

--Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



Interested applicants:

For more information, please contact the Foundation President, Donalyn Brooks-Harris or Secretary, Barbara Brooks at gebrooksfoundation@gmail.com or visit our website at www.gebrooksfoundation.org. *Applications can be obtained online, at your local high school counselor's office or local church office.* An online application is available on our website as well.

George & Enid Brooks Foundation Scholarship

P.O. Box 41, Paterson, NJ 07543



March 1, 2024

Dear Applicant:

As you begin your journey towards higher education, please accept our warmest congratulations on accomplishing this tremendous step. The George & Enid Brooks Foundation would like to support deserving students by offering two, one-time scholarships of \$1000. These scholarships will be awarded in June 2024.

QUALIFICATIONS*

To be eligible for the George & Enid Brooks Foundation Scholarship, you must:

- Be a Paterson, NJ resident, and/or attend high school or church in Paterson, NJ
- Be a high school senior
- Demonstrate regular church attendance in a local Christian church
- Be active in a minimum of one church ministry
- Have completed a minimum of twenty (25) hours of community service, either within the church or in the community

*Note: All information provided will be confirmed for accuracy and legitimacy.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1) Complete the Scholarship Application Form
- 2) Submit an Essay
- 3) Include the following documentation:
 - Documentation of enrollment or acceptance in the college or university you will be attending
 - Transcript and most recent report card including 2nd marking period of your senior year
 - Three reference names and telephone numbers of your pastor, teacher or guidance counselor and community service contact

THE ESSAY:

Write an essay on the following topic:



“As a young person growing up in the age of technology, how do you envision interfacing the use of social media with traditional community service? List some pros and cons of social media vs. in-person community service.”

Essay length: Maximum 500 words. Use your NAME and ESSAY as the title. Ex: “**JANE SMITH ESSAY**”

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS:

Completed application, essay, and supporting documentation may be submitted through the U.S. Postal Service or by email using the following addresses:

U.S. Postal Service:

George & Enid Brooks Foundation
Attention: Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 41
Paterson, NJ 07543

Email: gebrooksfoundation@gmail.com, with “Scholarship Application” as the subject.

Applications may also be completed on-line at our website: www.gebrooksfoundation.org

All applications must be received on or before Wednesday May 15, 2024. Any late or incomplete applications will be automatically disqualified.

NOTIFICATION:

All applicants will be notified by letter of their eligibility and the results of their application by May 31, 2024.

Best wishes,

Danielle Brooks, Committee Chairperson
George & Enid Brooks Foundation Scholarship



Scholarship Application

Personal Information

Name: _____
Last First

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Age: ____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (cell) _____ Phone (home) _____

Email address: _____

Name of high school you are currently attending: _____

What college do you plan to attend next year? _____

Church Information**

Provide the name of the church you regularly attend (either in person or virtually.) Please include the name and contact number of the Pastor and/or Administrator:

Church: _____

Pastor/Administrator: _____ Phone Number _____

Please complete the following information**:

Ministry Involved In	Length of Time	Leadership Position (if any)



Community Service Information**

List all community service activities you participated in within the last four years and the total number of hours:

References:

Pastor/Youth Pastor: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Teacher/Guidance Counselor: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Community Service Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____



RELEASE AND VERIFICATION FORM

I UNDERSTAND THAT BY SUBMISSION OF THIS APPLICATION, I GIVE PERMISSION TO RELEASE MY NAME AND PHOTO TO THE SPONSORS, NEWSPAPERS, SOCIAL MEDIA, AND SCHOLARSHIP WEBSITE FOR PUBLICITY.

Signature

Date

Parent's Signature (if under age 18)

Date

I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT ALL INFORMATION GIVEN IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE. I HEREBY ALSO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT ANY FALSIFICATION OF INFORMATION WILL RESULT IN IMMEDIATE DISQUALIFICATION OF MY APPLICATION.

Signature

Date

Print Name

******Application Deadline: Wednesday, May 15, 2024***

Applicant Check List

- Application Complete: _____
- Church Information Complete w/ phone number of Church Leader: _____
- Community Service Information Complete w/ phone number of contact person: _____
- Teacher or Guidance Counselor name and phone number: _____
- Essay: _____
- Transcript and/or Most Recent Report Card: _____
- Documentation from College/University You Will Be Attending: _____
- Release and Verification Form is Signed: _____



For Office Use

Name of Applicant _____

Application Received by _____ Date _____

Check List:

Application: _____

Essay: _____

Pastor's Reference info: _____

Teacher/Guidance Counselor info: _____

Community service hours verified through Community Service contact person: _____

Documentation from College/University: _____

Transcript/Most Recent Report Card: _____

Scholarship Committee:

Meets Criteria? _____

If no, explain _____

Result: _____

Committee Chair, Signature _____ Date _____