

EASTERN STAR SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION 304 INTERNATIONAL CIRCLE COCKEYSVILLE, MARYLAND 21030-1300

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION COVER LETTER

To the Applicant:

ESSF provides scholarships for post high school and college level students based on scholastic achievements and extracurricular activities in both their school and community. Since you will be judged upon the information you furnish give considerable thought to what is being requested and to the substance of the data you submit. Provide as much information about yourself as may be necessary to complete each section. Remember the members of the Foundation selection committee have not met you and have only this application by which to judge you.

Additional pages of narrative or supporting documents may be included. Any materials you send will not be returned so you are encouraged to send only copies rather than originals. These documents include letters of recommendation from persons within your school and/or community, newspaper clippings, or photos which will give the committee a better insight about you and your activities.

To qualify an applicant must:

- 1. Be enrolled in or have applied to a public or private educational institution that offers certificates, licenses, or confers degrees.
- 2. Write a brief essay of 400 to 500 words specifically addressing your scholastic achievements and your participation in extracurricular activities, both at school and in the community. Such activities might include sports, religious organizations, volunteer organizations, or other community service.
- 3. Submit the completed application and essay, along with an official transcript from your most recent school. The transcript must have an official seal and placed in an official envelope with the institution's return address.
- 4. Sealed letter(s) of character recommendation(s) from your school or religious organization,

Renewal of Awards:

- 1. Recipients of prior awards may apply again.
- 2. Each scholarship renewal must be requested annually.
- 3. Each renewal application is subject to all of the same requirements as a new application.
- 4. Maintain a grade point average of 80% or higher based on your school's grading scale.

Each award granted by ESSF will be executed by check made payable to the educational institution of your choice prior to the beginning of the <u>Fall Semester</u> for the ensuing academic year. Your name and student ID number (if available) will be placed on the Memo line. Amounts and the number of awards each year are based on the availability of funds.

EASTERN STAR SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE MARCH 31 ANNUALLY

ALL applications and requested materials must be <u>postmarked</u> no later than March 31 annually and mailed to:

Eastern Star Scholarship Foundation 304 International Circle Cockeysville, MD 21030-1300	For Additional information you send an email tα <u>oes 4 scholarships@gmail.com</u>
I. IDENTIFICATION DATA	
FULL NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE)	
ADDRESS	
PHONEHOME STUDENT ID (IF KNOWN)	MOBILE
E-MAIL	
NAME OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION	
Most recent grade point average: 1 st application:	Renewal:

II. PERSONAL ESSAY

In your own handwriting, on a separate sheet of paper, write about yourself, your home and family, your interests, future educational or vocational plans. You may type the remaining sections of this application. When using a pen, be certain your handwriting is legible.

III. SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

List any activities in which you participate, indicating the number of years you were active in each, and list any leadership roles you may have held.

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IV. COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES

List your involvement in organizations or activities in your community, **outside** of clubs or organizations associated with your school. Please provide your total number of community service hours, if applicable, (**do not include required school community hours**).

V. RESTRICTED FUNDS

A. Masonic related and Masonic affiliation:

From time to time, we have restricted funds available for Masonic related youth members, including majority members (over 21) and for others with Masonic affiliation. To be considered for a scholarship from these restricted funds, please answer the following, as appropriate.

Member of a Masonic Youth Organization

JDI	Jurisdiction
IORG	Jurisdiction
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Do you have a Masonic affiliation? I	f so, please state the nature of that affiliation.

B. Field of Study:

From time to time, we have restricted funds available for specific fields of study, such as medical or accounting, etc. To be considered for these restricted funds, please answer the following, as appropriate.

Field of study: _____

VI. OTHER

How did you find out about this scholarship opportunity?

I certify I have met all of the requirements of the Eastern Star Scholarship Foundation of Maryland as listed above.

Signature

Date

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