



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 people 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 mission of the George & Enid Brooks Foundation is to honor the vision of Bishop George and Enid Brooks, who believed in the intrinsic value of education and the ability of every child to achieve his/her God-ordained potential. We change lives through education, by providing scholarships to college-bound students in Paterson, NJ and support for elementary school students in the island nation of Jamaica.

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 14 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 or attend school or church 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.*

George & Enid Brooks Foundation Scholarship

P.O. Box 41, Paterson, NJ 07543



January 6, 2020

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 a deserving student by offering a one-time scholarship of \$1000. This scholarship will be awarded in May 2020.

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:

Complete the Scholarship Application Form.

Submit an Essay.

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: your pastor, a teacher or guidance counselor, and a community service contact.

THE ESSAY:

Write an essay about your educational, career, or personal goals. Describe your vision of how you will use your education to serve your community. Essay length: Minimum 500 words. Use your NAME and ESSAY as the title. **Ex: "JANE SMITH ESSAY"**

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS:

Completed application, essay, and supporting documentation must 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.

All applications must be received on or before **Saturday, April 18, 2020**. 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 9, 2020.

Regards,

A.P. Sterling, 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. Please include the name and contact number of the Pastor and/or Administrator:

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 three years and the total number of hours:

References:

Pastor/Youth Pastor and/or Administrator: _____ 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, 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: Saturday, April 18, 2020**

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 _____