



NATIONAL HOOK-UP OF BLACK WOMEN, INC.

Advocating for Women and Their Families

National President Dr. Lona C. Bibbs

2020 Dr. Arnita Young Boswell Scholarship

Scholarship Amount - \$1,000.00



Dr. Arnita Young Boswell, a social worker, university professor and titan in Chicago's social justice arena, was a voice for the disenfranchised throughout her life.

The sister of the late Whitney M. Young Jr., a civil rights leader who was executive director of the National Urban League, Dr. Boswell shared her brother's passion for social justice for prisoners, children, senior citizens, women, and many others. She nurtured her vocation for community service along with her brother, Whitney, and her sister, Eleanor.

Dr. Boswell earned a degree in home economics from Kentucky State University in 1943 and a graduate degree in social work from Atlanta University in Georgia. She taught social work for 19 years at the University of Chicago and later was Director of Social Services at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Dr. Boswell is the founder of the National Hook-Up of Black Women, Inc., which was established as a support base for black female activists. She was also the founder of the Chicago-based consulting firm Boswell-Young & Associates, and the League of Black Women, and Director of the women's division of the Chicago Civil Rights march led by Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. in 1966.

SCHOLARSHIP PURPOSE - The purpose of the Dr. Arnita Young-Boswell Scholarship, in honor of our founder, Dr. Arnita Young-Boswell, is to recognize and honor African-American students who have demonstrated academic excellence, concern for their community and the Black family, and a desire to continue their education.

ABOUT NATIONAL HOOK-UP OF BLACK WOMEN, INC. (NHBW, Inc.) - NHBW, Inc. was established in 1974 as a communication network between women's organizations and individuals to support the Congressional Black Caucus Legislative efforts and to provide a national forum to articulate the needs and concerns of Black women and families.

NHBW, INC. MISSION STATEMENT – NHBW, Inc. is a charitable organization dedicated to improving the lives of families through the arts, culture, health wellness, education and human service programs.

NHBW, INC. MEMBERSHIP - NHBW, Inc. membership reflects a rich diversity of dedicated women from varied business, professional, and community disciplines, representing a broad constituency that crosses all economic, social and educational backgrounds. Membership is open to anyone who embraces the mission of the organization.

Eligibility Requirements

- A graduating high school senior
- Proof of acceptance at an accredited college or university for the 2020 Fall Semester
- Accumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.75 or better, documented by a seven (7) semester high school transcript
- Involvement in school and community activities
- Verification of at least 200 hours of community service
- Demonstration of written communication skills in a 450-500-word, typed and double-spaced essay on one of the topics listed below:

1. **One of the goals of NHBW, Inc. is to provide a means to build better communities through service activities. Describe a community service organization and/or activity you have been involved in and why.**
2. **The NHBW, Inc. works throughout the year to help students reach their personal goals. Describe your goals for the future and how this scholarship will help you achieve those goals.**

Additional Requirements

- Two (2) Letters of Recommendation (Letters from family members are not acceptable.)
- A recent photo with full name listed on back
- Personal Statement

Applicant's Personal Information:

Name _____

Address _____ City _____

State & Zip _____ Phone No _____

Email _____

High School Currently Attending _____

College/University you will attend _____

College Major _____

Please list your favorite school activity and why it is your favorite.

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I hereby affirm that all the stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I hereby understand that if selected as a scholarship recipient, it is my responsibility to submit the documentation needed to disburse the scholarship award and if documentation is not received by the Scholarship Committee by September 30, 2020, I forfeit my right to the scholarship.

Printed Name of Applicant: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Checklist

- _____ Scholarship Application
- _____ Proof of acceptance at an accredited college/university
- _____ Seven (7) semester high school transcripts
- _____ Verification of community service hours
- _____ Essay
- _____ Two (2) letters of recommendation
- _____ A recent photo with full name listed on back
- _____ Personal Statement

The complete application packet must be received by the National Scholarship Committee no later than February 28, 2020. Please mail to:

National Hook-Up of Black Women, Inc.
ATTN: Ms. Eleanor W. Burks, Chairperson
National Scholarship Committee
PO Box 461
Normal, AL 35762

Scholarship recipients will be announced at our 2020 National Annual Meeting and will be posted on our national website, www.nhbwinc.org on April 30, 2020. If you have questions, please contact Ms. Eleanor W. Burks via email at nhbwscholarships@yahoo.com.