



# NATIONAL HOOK-UP OF BLACK WOMEN, INC.

*Advocating for Women and Their Families*

National President Sister Bettye Gavin

## 2022 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. 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.

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 women children, senior citizens, prisoners, and many others. Dr. Boswell nurtured her vocation and dedication for providing community service with a passion along with her siblings Brother Whitney, and Sister Eleanor.

Dr. Boswell was 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, The League of Black Women, and The Women's Board of the Chicago Urban League. Working closely with Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, she served as Chair of the Women's Division, as well as Chair of the Chicago Civil Rights March.

**SCHOLARSHIP PURPOSE** - The purpose of the Dr. Arnita Young-Boswell Scholarship, is to recognize and honor African-American students who have demonstrated academic excellence, a concern for their community, the Black Family, as well as a desire to continue their post-secondary education.

**ABOUT NATIONAL HOOK-UP OF BLACK WOMEN, 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, as well as provide a national forum to articulate the needs and concerns of Black Women and their families. NHBW, Inc. is a charitable organization dedicated to improving the lives of families through the arts, culture, health wellness, education, and human service programs.

## Eligibility Requirements

- A graduating high school senior
- Accumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.75 or better, documented by a seven (7) semester high school transcript
- Involvement in school activities
- Verification of at least 200 hours of community service
- Two (2) Letters of Recommendation (Letters from family members are not acceptable.)
- A recent photo with full name listed on back
- Personal Statement
- Proof of acceptance at an accredited college or university for the 2021 Fall Semester
- Demonstration of written communication skills in a 450 to 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. **NHBW, Inc. works throughout the year to assist students in attaining their personal goals. Describe your goals for the future and how this scholarship will assist you in attaining your goals.**

### Applicant's Personal Information:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

High School Currently Attending \_\_\_\_\_

College/University you will attend \_\_\_\_\_

College Major \_\_\_\_\_

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

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## Checklist

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

### 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 also affirm that if I am selected as a scholarship recipient all documentation should be received by the committee on or before **September 30, 2022**

Printed Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The completed application packet should be received by the National Scholarship Committee before **February 28, 2022**. Please mail to:

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

Scholarship recipients will be announced at our 2021 National Annual Meeting and will be posted on our national website, [www.nhbwinc.org](http://www.nhbwinc.org) by April 30, 2022. If you have questions, please contact Ms. Eleanor W. Burks at (256) 864-8041 or email [nhbwscholarships@yahoo.com](mailto:nhbwscholarships@yahoo.com).