

The Bouras Scholarship - 2022

The Bouras Scholarship celebrates the lives of Anna K. and Nicholas J. Bouras and honors their life-long desire to assist people who desire to develop their potential, achieve their goals and become successful and productive adults.

The Bouras Scholarship provides college scholarships to **New Jersey** high school graduates and recent high school graduates (1-2 years from high school graduation) who have been accepted at an accredited institution of higher learning within the United States during the 2022-2023 academic year. The award will be given to a student whose character, work-ethic, service and leadership qualities are deemed worthy of the opportunity to attend college.

The Community Foundation of New Jersey awards undergraduate scholarships on the basis of a competitive process that may consider academic achievement, extracurricular and community involvement, a statement of the applicant's personal aspirations and educational goals, and references. Scholarships are awarded at the discretion of the Foundation's Board of Trustees based on scholarship committee recommendations.

Further applicant eligibility requirements include:

- Applicant must be a citizen of the United States of America – proof of citizenship is required.
- Applicant must be enrolled on a **full-time** basis and pursuing an undergraduate degree.
- **The children of and current members of the military, Christian clergy, a veteran, a member of law enforcement, a nurse or other allied healthcare provider may apply.**
- **Applicant must be actively involved in his/her church and its programs, community service and has demonstrated leadership.**

The scholarship award may be used to offset educational expenses such as tuition, room and board and other mandatory educational fees. Award(s) and amount(s) will vary. Recipients are *eligible* for renewal *consideration* if continued eligibility requirements are met. The total amount of the scholarship will be based on the number of years the student has left to complete a four-year undergraduate degree. In other words, a scholarship recipient that is entering their junior year would be eligible for consideration for a maximum of two scholarship installments over two years (junior and senior years).

Prior to the release of any future installments, recipients will be required to provide no later than August 1 of each year an official transcript, a copy of their tuition invoice, proof of continued full-time enrollment (12 or more semester credits) as a student in good academic standing (2.5 GPA or better) and a one-page narrative of their past year experience including community service projects and any paid employment.

Those interested in applying for The Bouras Scholarship may obtain the application by visiting the Community Foundation of New Jersey website at www.cfnj.org. For inquiries, please contact Faith Krueger at the Community Foundation of New Jersey at 973.267.5105 or via email at fkruieger@cfnj.org.

Selection of the recipient(s) of The Bouras Scholarship will be selected by the Community Foundation Appointed Scholarship Committee. *Please note the Community Foundation of New Jersey reserves the right to request additional information during the review process. All information will be kept in strict confidence.* Applications and required supporting documentation (please see application checklist) are due **May 2, 2022**.

**Community Foundation of New Jersey
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Morristown, NJ 07963-0338**

- THE BOURAS SCHOLARSHIP -
ADMINISTERED BY THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF NEW JERSEY

Submission Deadline: May 2, 2022

APPLICANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: _____
First Middle Last

Permanent Address: _____
Street

City State Zip

Phone Number: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Country of Birth: _____ Are you a legal resident of New Jersey: Yes or No

I am a U.S. Citizen (proof of citizenship required) – *Please circle* Yes or No

Gender: _____ Female _____ Male _____ Prefer Not To Answer

Ethnicity: _____ African American _____ Hispanic/Latino
(optional) _____ Asian/Pacific Islander _____ White (not of Hispanic origin)
_____ American Indian/Alaskan Native _____ Other (specify) _____

FAMILY INFORMATION

Father/Guardian _____ Mother/Guardian _____
Address _____ Address _____

Father/Guardian's Occupation/Employer	
Father /Guardian's Annual Income	
Mother/Guardian's Occupation/Employer	
Mother/Guardian's Annual Income	

All Dependents Living In Your Home including yourself

Name/Relationship to Applicant	Age	School Attending/Cost

EDUCATION

Name of School You Will Attend: _____

City _____ State _____

Intended Major(s): _____

Intended Minor(s): _____

ANTICIPATED EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES

Please fill in the expenses you anticipate for the 2022-2023 academic year. This information can be found on your college/university website or through the financial aid office.

Tuition	\$
Mandatory Fees	\$
Room & Board (on campus housing only)	\$
Total	\$

IMPORTANT: ESSAY REQUIRED – PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR NAME ON THE ESSAY DOCUMENT.
Please submit a 500 word statement describing how your local church and/or community activities have shaped your educational goals.

(Optional Personal Statement) You may use the space below explain any compelling circumstances or factors, which you feel warrant special attention to include unusual personal, family or financial circumstances or challenges. _____

AWARDS AND HONORS

In order of importance to you, list awards and honors you have received during the past four years and briefly explain their significance. **No attachments please.**

Awards/Honors	Significance	Date Received

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

In order of involvement/importance to you, please list the top five extra-curricular activities you have participated in during the past four years, e.g. clubs, student government, national honor society, sports, music, drama, etc.

No attachments please.

Activity	Dates of participation	Honors and/or positions held – Indicate <u>either elected (E) or appointed (A)</u>	Hours Per Month	Reference/Telephone
1)				
2)				
3)				
4)				
5)				

CHURCH, COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTEER INVOLVEMENT

In order of involvement/importance to you, please list the top five community or volunteer extra-curricular activities you have participated in during the past four years, e.g., religious activities, nonprofit organizations, scouts, etc. **No attachments please.**

Activity	Dates of participation	Honors and/or positions held – Indicate <u>either elected (E) or appointed (A)</u>	Hours Per Month	Reference/Telephone
1)				
2)				
3)				
4)				
5)				

WORK EXPERIENCE

List your paid work experience during the past four years, beginning with your most recent position.

Employer	Nature of Work	Dates	Hours Per Week	Reference/Telephone
1)				
2)				
3)				
4)				
5)				

REQUIRED SIGNATURES

I declare that I have met the eligibility requirements for the scholarship program(s) indicated on the first page of this application form. I further declare that all statements made on this application form or in conjunction with this application form are my own and are accurate and true.

Student’s Signature: _____
Date

If student is under 18 years of age:
Parent’s/Guardian’s Signature _____
Date

Scholarship is contingent upon the availability of funds in any given year. *Scholarship aid from the Community Foundation of New Jersey is conditioned upon the school the student will attend agreeing that the aid should be applied to the student’s unmet need or loans first. If, after all need has been met, scholarship monies remain, it may be used to displace school provided aid in the following progression: work-study, then grants.*

CHECKLIST FOR APPLICATION SUBMISSION – PLEASE NO STAPLES

In addition to this application form, please submit the required documentation in order listed below:

- _____ Most recent official school transcript (with raised seal).
- _____ Essay (Required)
- _____ Recommendation letter from a church staff member or officer or non-family member who has observed your activities.
- _____ Recommendation from a faculty member or community service person who has observed your participation.
- _____ College school acceptance letter/Financial Aid Award Letter (final)
- _____ FAFSA/SAR (complete report)
- _____ Proof of U.S. Citizenship
- _____ Employer employment verification for parents and/or guardians and/or yourself.

Deadline: Submission deadline for application received in our office is May 2, 2022. Only complete applications (consisting of this application form and all supplemental materials listed above) will be considered by the selection committee.

For further information or questions, please contact Faith Krueger at fkrueger@cfnj.org or 973.267.5105.

Mail or email this application and all required supplemental materials to:
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