

Bresee Foundation Scholarship Application

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The Bresee Foundation was established in 1982 by members of Los Angeles First Church of the Nazarene and is located at 3401 West Third Street in central Los Angeles. The foundation is named after Dr. Phineas F. Bresee, a Methodist minister who founded the Church of the Nazarene in 1895. Dr. Bresee was committed to building community and speaking out on the injustices of society. He established homes for unwed mothers, provided food to the hungry, and was a pioneer in cross-cultural ministry. It was to continue this tradition of building community that the Bresee Foundation was established. Today the Bresee Foundation is dedicated to offering hope and wholeness and working towards reconciliation, empowerment, and justice in our community through basic skills training, community and youth development, health services, and urban leadership training. We accomplish our mission by offering programs in four areas: Literacy and Academic Enrichment; Technology and Employment; Outreach, and Recreation and Health Services.

History

The scholarship was born out of the growing understanding that the young people in our community lack the financial resources to attend institutions of higher learning. With generous support the Carr family, in loving memory of Ruth Carr, the Wilden family trust, and the Bresee Foundation board members, this scholarship has grown, to ensure that college is an option for those students who have demonstrated potential and the desire to achieve higher education.

Mission

We believe in developing indigenous leadership within our community by providing funds for students from the Bresee Youth Center to attend four-year colleges and by encouraging students to relocate back into our community after graduation. We believe we are investing in the long-term development of our community through the short-term investment in a student's college education.

Objectives

- To provide financial assistance to students with demonstrated need
- To increase the number of minority students attending Christian Universities and Colleges
- Development of indigenous leadership

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SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION CRITERIA

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR NEW APPLICANTS

Applicant(s) must:

- Be a graduating high school senior enrolling as a full time student in a four-year university, or a student transferring from community college to a four-year university with at least 30 transferable Units.
- Have a cumulative high school GPA of 2.5
- Demonstrate financial need
- Have actively attended Bresee Youth Center for at least 12 months- making at least 4 visits a month.
- Must have completed 20 hours of community service as a volunteer or student employee at the Bresee Youth Center.

CHECKLIST

- Completed application
- Recent picture
- Transcripts
- Two letters of recommendation
- Copy of parents or personal tax returns (or last 2 pay stubs)
- Copy of Student Aid Report (SAR)
- Schedule an interview w/ the scholarship committee

AMOUNT OF AWARD

- Awards ranging from \$100 to \$2500

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NAME: _____
Last First Middle

Permanent Address: _____
Street number City State Zip

Present Mailing Address: _____
(If different from above) Street number City State Zip

TELEPHONE (____)____-____ (____)____-____ Male ____ Female
Home Alternate

E-MAIL _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ BIRTHPLACE _____

CITIZENSHIP: ____ United States ____ Other Please Specify _____

FIRST GENERATION COLLEGE STUDENT? ____ Yes ____ No

WILL YOU BE ENTERING COLLEGE AS A: (please check one)
____ Freshman (Current Senior) Specify College: _____
____ Transfer Student Specify College Transferring To: _____
____ Continuing Student Specify College and Year in School: _____
____ Other Please Specify: _____

LISTS ALL HIGH SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES ATTENDED TO DATE:

School	City	Years Attended	Diploma/Degree	Cumulative GPA
•	_____	_____	_____	_____
•	_____	_____	_____	_____
•	_____	_____	_____	_____

Expected Date of College Graduation: _____ Major: _____

Career Goal: _____

Are you currently employed? ____ Yes ____ No

LISTS EMPLOYMENT HISTORY TO DATE:

Employer	Dates of Employment	Job Title/Duties	Hours per wk
•	_____	_____	_____
•	_____	_____	_____
•	_____	_____	_____

Have you applied for financial aid? ___Yes ___No Received? ___Yes ___No
___Awaiting

Please list additional scholarship/grants for which you have applied. (Use additional sheets if necessary)

<i>Scholarship</i>	<i>Amount of Award</i>	<i>Received/Denied/Awaiting</i>
• _____		
• _____		
• _____		
• _____		

List extracurricular activities.

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

List Honors and Awards received.

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

CERTIFICATION

Should I be awarded the PF Bresee Foundation Youth Scholarship, I hereby certify that:

- I will be a full time college student during the period of the award.
- I will use the aid only for payment of tuition, required fees, room, board and/or student related expenses.
- I hereby acknowledge that the information submitted is true and correct.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian (if under age 21) _____ Date _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

REFERENCES

Please attach two letters of recommendation to this scholarship application. Both should attest to the applicant's potential, ability and character. Recommendations should be written by teachers/professors, employers, mentors or advisors. Recommendations written by family members will not be accepted.

ESSAY/ Autobiography

Submit a one-page essay describing your personal history.

The filing of this application does not guarantee a scholarship.

To be completed by Bresee Foundation Scholarship Committee

- Granted Scholarship Amount \$ _____
- Denied
- Incomplete Application
- Other Specify: _____

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Friday, May 23rd, 2003

Return or mail to:

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