



Developing Community Leaders Award

Awarded by Camptown Charities & Hanover Chamber Foundation Donors

Scholarship Application

Eligibility & Intent: These 1-year scholarships, of at least \$1,000 each, will be awarded to graduating students from high schools within Hanover County, VA (public or private) to be used towards further education. Applicants must intend to continue their education with an accredited two or four-year college, university, junior college, or a vocational training program. Awards will be given to applicants who intend to pursue a business, trade, or leadership related field (such as business administration, marketing, political science, international relations, a skilled trade, etc.) or have a personal interest in entrepreneurship. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered. This grant is made possible through Camptown Charities and the Hanover Chamber Foundation donors.

Due Date: Saturday, April 1, 2023. Please submit physical applications to your School Counselor/Career Office or submit completed applications by email (preferred) to foundation@hanoverchamberva.com.

❖ Basic Information

Name: _____
Last First Middle Initial

Home Address: _____
Street Apt/Suite
City State ZIP Code

Date of Birth: _____ Email: _____

High School: _____ Cumulative GPA: _____

Intended Focus: _____

College(s)/School(s)/Program(s) to which you are applying or have already been accepted into:

❖ **Grades Transcript**

Please attach/include a copy of your current high school transcript.

❖ **Financial Aid/Need:**

**Note: Information gathered in this section simply assists our reviewers in learning more about applicants.*

Do you/does your family anticipate the necessity of grants and/or loans to enable your continued education? ___Yes ___No

Have you/will you be submitting a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®)? ___Yes ___No

At the time of this application, have you already been awarded other grants or scholarships totaling more than \$5,000 (per year)? ___Yes ___No

If you would like to share any comments on or about this section, please do so here: _____

❖ **Activities/Awards:**

Please list the **primary organizations** (academic, community service, athletics, clubs) you have been involved with in the past 4-6 years, *with a max of 6 organizations*. Include any leadership positions you have held (list position), any awards you have received, and your years of participation in each. (Use back/separate page if needed.)

❖ **Employment History:**

Please include job title, name and address of employer, dates of employment, and a brief job description for any/all jobs held during high school.

❖ **Essays**

Please respond to two (2) of the following prompts. You must answer A, then choose 1 other. Essays should be 200-400 words per response. Essay scores are significant in the award process. The best responses are grammatically correct, engaging and tell more about the applicant while addressing the prompt.

- A. Discuss the aspects of business, entrepreneurship, leadership, or community development that most interest you and why you would like to pursue this path. Include the qualities you possess which you believe will help you succeed in such an environment.
- B. Discuss how the recent Coronavirus Pandemic has affected your high school experience and what you have learned of yourself during this time. Address how your involvement in previous activities was altered and what, if any, new or different things you are doing to respond to recent needs.
- C. Propose a local, national, or global figure (past or present) who should be represented on a postal stamp for their leadership and positive contributions to society. Whether your example is serious or ridiculous, provide at least three arguments in support of this person's inclusion.

❖ **Letter of Recommendation (Optional)**

If desired, include one letter of recommendation from an employer, guidance counselor, teacher, or coach explaining your potential to pursue a career in business. List their name and relation to you.

Name: _____ Relation: _____

❖ **Final Comments & Signature**

A team of reviewers will assess all completed and on time submissions. Careful attention will be given to each section listed above, in hopes of gathering a full picture of each student applicant. Scholarship recipients will be announced at the Senior Award Ceremonies and receive a mailed letter from the Hanover Chamber Foundation.

Scholarship recipients, and their family members, will be invited to and expected to attend a Chamber Foundation Scholarship event during the summer to receive their check publicly.

By signing this form, you give permission to distribute this application to our review team for scholarship consideration. In addition, by signing below, you verify that all information is true and accurate.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Applicant's Phone Number: (_____) _____

Applicant's Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Applicant's Parent/Guardian Name (printed clearly): _____

Applicant's Parent/Guardian Phone Number: (_____) _____