St Andrew United Methodist Men

Messenger of Hope Scholarship Fund

Vision
To provide a means for students with a financial need, but who may not qualify for more conventional awards, to attend the college of their choice

Criteria
Students completely fill out the attached application form and write an essay describing what a post high school education would mean to them and allow them to do in the future. A minimum of two letters of recommendation submitted by a person who can address the character and financial need of the student are required. Special consideration will be given to students with unique hardships. A personal interview with the Scholarship Committee may be required. Students selected for interviews will be notified separately.

Schedule
October – distribution of application forms to all schools
March 1st, 2019 – all applications due. Failure to submit on time will disqualify student,
March – Early April – Scholarship Committee will review applications, and schedule and conduct interviews, as necessary.
Mid April – Scholarship Committee will make final awards
Early May – inform candidate and award scholarship.
Our scholarship awards range from $1,000 to $6,000.

Instructions:
Complete the application form and essay form. Include a minimum of two letters of recommendation and high school transcript. Return to

United Methodist Men
C/O St Andrew United Methodist Church
5801 W. Plano Parkway
Plano, TX  75093

Attn: Messenger of Hope Scholarship Committee

All Applications are due by March 1st, 2019
Include all of the following in the enclosed Application envelope
- Application Form
- Essay Form
- Two Letters of Recommendation
- High School Transcript
# Messenger of Hope Scholarship Application Form

**Name**  
[Last, First, Middle]

**E-mail** __________________________  **Birth Date** ___/___/____  **Sex**  M / F

**Physical Address**  
______________________________________________________________________

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**High School Attended** __________________________  **Graduation Year** ________

**GPA** ________  **Class Rank** _______ out of _________ students

**SAT Score** __________  **Date Taken** ___/___/_____  

**ACT Score** __________  **Date Taken** ___/___/_____  

**What adults do you live with?**

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**List any siblings who live with you and/or attend college**

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**Mother’s occupation** __________________________  **Previous Year Income** __________

**Father’s occupation** __________________________  **Previous Year Income** __________

**List any college, university, or technical schools you have applied to (1) and have been accepted to (2).**

(1) __________________________________________

(2) __________________________________________
Which college have you chosen to attend (1) and what area of specialty have you chosen (2)?

(1) __________________________________________

(2) __________________________________________

If you have decided to attend Community College, what are your plans after obtaining your Associates Degree? ____________________________________________________________

What is your estimated total cost for tuition, housing, books, fees, food per semester for (1) Community College $_________ and/or (2) Four Year College $_________?

Percent of costs noted above to be paid by:

Parents/guardians ________%  Scholarships ______%  
Grants ________%  Loans ________%  (sums of all above must total 100%).

What part-time work do you plan on having during your post-high school studies? ______________________________________________________

List any scholarships that have already been awarded to you for the coming academic year.
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__________________________________________________________
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What special recognitions have you received in high school?

Leadership: _____________________; _____________________; _____________________

Academic: _____________________; _____________________; _____________________

Other: _____________________; _____________________; _____________________

List any extra-curricular activities or hobbies you are involved in: _________________

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Please list any current and previous employment?

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Please explain the circumstances if you have **NO** work experience.

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What percent of the cost do you typically pay for your car insurance, gas, movies, cell phone, clothes, iTunes, etc. ________________%  

The information provided on this application is accurate and I agree to be available if selected for an interview with the Scholarship Committee of the St. Andrew United Methodist Men.

Date Submitted: ____________________________   ____________________________   

Signature of Applicant
Essay Form

Name of Student _________________________________________________________

This Essay is to help the Scholarship Committee get to know you better. Please expand on each of the following topics. You may add additional pages as necessary.

(1) What moment so far in your life will you remember forever and why?
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(2) Describe the most significant hardship, hurdle, or challenge you were forced to overcome and how this episode changed your life.
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(3) What person/persons has/have had the most impact in your life, and why. Describe how this person has shaped you as a young adult.

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(4) What adjustments will your family need to make after you leave for college?

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(5) What is your greatest weakness?

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Recommendation Form

Name of Student ______________________________

Your Name and Title ______________________________

How do you know the student? ______________________________

Criteria

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☐ Please write a letter of recommendation and address how the student meets the criteria by which the scholarship is established.

☐ Please add any other additional points or comments that you feel are appropriate for the student’s case for receiving this scholarship.

☐ Please attach the letter to this form.

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