



## 2017 SHINE-A-LIGHT SCHOLARSHIP FOR FOSTER YOUTH

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Children's Fund is awarding ten scholarships to deserving foster youth this year. All applicants and their nominators should review the Shine-A-Light Scholarship guidelines before applying. The application process requires important information from both the applicant and the nominator. Please follow the outlined steps below.

### YOUTH

1. Please write an essay and submit it to your scholarship nominator. Your essay should answer the following three questions.
  - *What life experiences have shaped who you are today?*
  - *Who in your life has been your biggest influence?*
  - *From a financial standpoint, what impact would this scholarship have on your education and your future goals?*

### NOMINATOR

1. Have your foster youth applicant write their essay and submit to you. You will be submitting it on their behalf with this application.
2. Complete the Applicant Information below with the youth's information. GPA will be verified should they be selected.
3. Complete the Nominator Information below with your information.
4. Attach your Recommendation Statement with information about the youth that will help the selection committee understand their situation and why you believe they deserve this scholarship.
5. Attach the Youth Applicant's Essay. Ensure that the youth has answered the required questions. The more the selection committee knows about the youth, the better.

### APPLICANT INFORMATION (Foster or vulnerable Youth)

Applicant First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Should they be selected, their GPA will be verified.

Please list up to three extracurricular activities:

Please list any honors or awards applicant has received:

Is the Applicant employed/has an internship?  Yes  No

If yes, how many hours a week do they work? \_\_\_\_\_

**NOMINATOR INFORMATION** (social worker, case worker, mentor, etc.)

Nominator First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**FINAL STEPS**

I verify that I have read the Shine-A-Light Scholarship Guidelines.

1. Submit the Shine-A-Light Scholarship packet in one of the following ways:
  - Email this completed application, the Nominator's Recommendation Statement and the Youth Applicant's Essay to Children's Fund at [betty.chambers@childrensfundonline.org](mailto:betty.chambers@childrensfundonline.org) by **February 23, 2017 at 5:00 pm.**
  - Drop-off or mail this completed application, the Nominator's Recommendation Statement and the Youth Applicant's Essay to Children's Fund, Attn: Betty Chambers, 348 W. Hospitality Lane, #110, San Bernardino, CA 92408.
2. Scholarships will be awarded on April 6, 2017 at the Shine-A-Light breakfast. Recipients will be notified by March 15, 2017.
3. Questions? Please call 909.379.0000.