

# START-2-FINISH SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Since 1982, the Bridge Builders Foundation in partnership with the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., has awarded financial scholarships to college-bound, African American male high school seniors.

## **SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Scholarships are awarded to graduating seniors of Los Angeles-area high schools. The awards will be presented at the Bridge Builders Annual Salute and Scholarship Banquet in June.

### QUALIFYING CRITERIA

- Applicants must have a high school GPA of 3.0 or above (and maintain a 2.75 GPA for recurring scholarships).
- 2. Applicants must enroll in an accredited 4-year college or university beginning September of the academic year immediately after graduation from high school.
- 3. Applicants must have community service experience.
- **4.** Applicants must have demonstrated leadership abilities within their school or communities.
- **5.** Applications must be postmarked by February 1st. Early applications are accepted and encouraged.

# **GENERAL INFORMATION\_**

- 1. Log on to bridgebuildersla.org/salute-scholarshipprogram to complete online Scholarship Application and upload all supporting documentation, or submit application and all supporting documentation by mail.
- 2. Applications that are incomplete, improperly packaged, or postmarked after the deadline will not be considered. This is inclusive of electronic submissions.
- 3. All Foundation decisions are final.
- **4.** The awards will be distributed directly to the recipient upon verification of enrollment in an accredited 4-year college or university. Registration documentation will be required.
- **5.** Selected awardees and one (1) guest will be given complimentary tickets to the Bridge Builders Annual Salute and Scholarship Banquet.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

You may visit the Foundation website BridgeBuildersLA.org or call (888) 355-0917

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE

Applicants must be a Black male high school senior who will graduate by June of this academic year, and who has qualified for college enrollment beginning September of the academic year immediately after graduation.

### **HOW TO APPLY**

- 1. Complete the Scholarship Application Information Form, and attach a signed letter from the high school's college advisor or counselor. The letter should be on the school's letterhead, and include the Applicant's GPA, class rank, and SAT/ACT information.
- 2. Upload a typewritten, double-spaced composition not to exceed three (3) pages. Use no less than a 10-point font size. The composition must include the following:
  - Explanation of what effect or importance a college education will have on the
  - Applicant's future.
  - Summary of Applicant's leadership roles and community service.
  - Explanation of financial need, including parents' occupation.
  - Applicant's parents' highest level of education attained.
- 3. Upload two (2) letters of recommendation: one from a high school faculty member and one from a community member. Letters from immediate family members will not be accepted.
- **4.** Upload an official transcript including the most recent semester, and SAT/ACT test dates and scores.
- **5.** Upload a recent photograph: minimum 3x5 headshot (full color). **NO STUDIO PROOFS PLEASE**.

### **MAIL APPLICATIONS TO**

Bridge Builders Foundation 3787 S. Vermont Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90007

**Attention: Scholarship Committee** 

An Approved Public Service Charity (#33-0846590)



**Applicant Signature / Date** 

# START-2-FINISH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INFORMATION FORM

Parent / Guardian Signature [if under 18]

Applicant's Last Name	Applicant's First Name	Applicant's Middle Initi	ial
Street Address	City / State	Zip Code	Date of Birth
Home Phone	Mobile Phone	Email Address	
LinkedIn Profile Name	Instagram Username	Twitter Username	Facebook Username
Current School Name			
School Street Address	School City / State		School Zip Code
School Phone Number	School Principal Name		School Counselor Name
Are you the first in your family to	o attend/graduate from college?	□ Yes □ No	
Parents' highest level of educati	on: Mother:	Father	:
Mother's First and Last Name	Mother's Email		Mother's Primary Phone
Father's First and Last Name	Father's Email		Father's Primary Phone
Enter the names of the colleges/	universities you have applied to	(indicate acceptances):	
Indicate your Intended Major: _			
Hobbies:			
Awards / Honors:			
PERSONAL SIGNATURE FO	ORM		
Please review your scholarship responses accurate and true. This signature w	onses and sign your name below. Your will also authorize your school/acaden rves the right to disqualify your applica	nic institution for considerat	ion of the scholarship. Please note