

PATHWAYS Leadership for Progress

Application for 2019 academic year scholarship to Georgia Gwinnett College (GGC)

PATHWAYS Leadership for Progress announces the availability of a \$1000 scholarship to help students who have experienced foster care. The goal of the scholarship to help defray the cost of tuition/ books/living expenses as well as encourage the development of leadership characteristics through carrying out a community project.

Eligibility If you meet the following requirements, you are eligible to apply for the PATHWAYS Leadership for Progress scholarship.

- You have experienced being a foster child in the Georgia foster care system (please provide letter indicating you have experienced foster care from Georgia DFCF) or have experienced homelessness (please provide letter indicating you have experienced homelessness from a social worker or other relevant professional).
- You have completed no more than 2 semesters at GGC and have at least a 3.0 GPA.
- You are a currently a high school senior who has been accepted to GGC and have at least a 3.0 GPA.
- Be interested in and willing to carry out a community project to gain leadership skills.

Application Deadline: **July 1, 2019**

Selection Process The committee will review all applications in July 2019. Selection criteria will include: the project idea, the feasibility of carrying it out in one year, how it connects to the student's future goals, and the extent to which it is sustainable and tied to other partner organizations. The top candidates will be notified and asked to interview in person. The successful candidate will be asked to report on their academic and project progress monthly

Note: Preference will be given to students from disadvantaged backgrounds. Finalists will be asked to appear for an interview. Please be mindful that this is not simply a scholarship program. The person selected will be expected to maintain good grades and work on their community projects and communicate with PATHWAYS leadership at least monthly. Success in meeting these expectations will be considered in renewal of the scholarship.

2019 Application

Name	
E-mail address	
Address for correspondence	
Telephone number	Work: _____ Home: _____
Gender (circle one)	Male Female
Birthplace	
Citizenship	
Date of birth	

Honors/School Achievements:

Statement of financial need:

Names, titles, position and contact information for 3 references from education professionals (or other equivalent professionals) familiar with applicant's abilities: one should be from applicant's high school and /or current employer. Please include letters of recommendation with your application.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Please write a short proposal describing your project idea for improving your community. You must work with a partner organization to agree on the project idea. The partner organization must be willing to help in the implementation of the project and documentation of the results on a regular basis. Please include a letter of support from the partner organization and list the names of its leadership. The proposal should be in the following format: Title, Rationale, Background, Objectives,

Methods, Anticipated Problems and Solutions, Implications. The implications and possible applications of results of the proposed project to the ultimate improvement of the community should be described. **THE PROPOSAL MAY NOT EXCEED 2 PAGES**. Please attach the 2 page project proposal to this application.

What is the research/development area of the project (e.g. as economic development, education, public health, conservation/environment)

Please write a brief essay statement 1) describing your background and childhood, 2) outlining your career plans and community improvement plans upon completion of your university studies and 3) describing why you think you are a good candidate for this scholarship: (THE ESSAY MAY NOT EXCEED 1 PAGE). Please attach the 1 page essay to this application.

NOTE: If you currently have a mentor for the proposed project, please list their name and contact information here.

Name _____ Occupation _____

Address _____ Phone _____ e-mail address _____

Application and Selection Process: The completed application and additional information (see checklist below) should be sent to PATHWAYS Leadership for Progress (by standard post or email) **no later than July 1, 2019** for August entry to GGC. The application must be complete (all questions answered and documents attached) to be reviewed. If questions, please contact A. Gust by e-mail.

Please return completed application form by airmail post or e-mail to:

Angie Gust
 PATHWAYS Leadership for Progress
 1503 Hartman Dr.
 Lilburn Georgia 30047 USA
angiegust77@gmail.com

Check list

- completed application form
- letter from GA DFCF indicating experience in system or letter from relevant professional indicating period of homelessness
- most recent academic transcript
- project proposal 2 pgs
- letter of support from partner organization and contact information from leadership
- 3 letters of reference
- copy of GGC acceptance letter
- photo
- personal background essay 1 page