



# ***2018-19 Scholarship Applicant Instructions***

**CHANGE IN DEADLINE FILING DATE: AUGUST 1, 2018**

**All scholarship applications must be received via MAIL by August 1st Please mail original and 2 copies to:**

Ms. Sylvia Law, Chair  
COGIC Charities Scholarship Committee  
7904 Winterset Avenue  
Pikesville, MD 21208

Scholarships are open to all high school graduates that will be attending a college/university full-time in the fall as well as those already enrolled and attending full-time in an accredited college/university pursuing an undergraduate degree. **Graduate and/or doctoral degree student must be taking a minimum of 9 credit hours without exception.** Please be sure your name is on all pages. Recipients will be required to submit final grades for the fall semester BEFORE checks are released. **All question should be emailed to [slaw7764@gmail.com](mailto:slaw7764@gmail.com).**

Applicants may apply each year if a minimum 2.5 GPA is maintained.

Recipients will be notified in late October via email. Please be sure to include your correct email address and phone number.

Scholarship checks will be made payable to the college/university and will be mailed to the college/university once the grades for the fall semester are received. Copies of all scholarship communiqué will be sent to the applicant. No checks will be sent to the recipient.

Should the recipient fail to enroll or drop below full time status or withdraw from the college/university during the period covering the award, the recipient and/or institution must return all funds associated with the award.

Applicant who does not comply with all of the above stipulations will forfeit this scholarship award.

Scholarship Awards will be made in November of each year at the annual COGIC Charities banquet. The banquet is held during the Church of God In Christ Holy Convocation. (See the COGIC.org website for date of the banquet). The ticket cost for the banquet is \$200.00. Scholarship recipients are encouraged to attend the COGIC Charities Scholarship banquet. You do not have to attend the banquet to receive an award.

Review and evaluation of all applications will be done by The COGIC Charities Scholarship Review Committee.

Applicants are selected based on exemplary traits including leadership, community involvement, academic excellence and responses to the essay questions. The information provided on the scholarship application including essays and letters of recommendation will be used in determination of the scholarship awards.

Verification of financial information and request for official transcripts will be made if applicant is selected. If selected, High school students must submit an official, sealed transcript and College students must have the college/university send the transcript to Ms. Sylvia Law, Chair COGIC Charities Scholarship Committee at the above address.

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF GRADES IS FEBRUARY 1, 2019 No Exceptions.**



**COGIC CHARITIES, INC.**  
**P.O. Box 38 - MEMPHIS. TN 38101**

**2018-19 COGIC Charities Scholarship Application**

COGIC Charities, Inc., offers scholarships to individuals enrolled full time in a college or university by September for assistance with the cost of tuition, college fees, books and student housing. Applicants will be evaluated based on the information provided on this application. Scholarships are awarded at the annual COGIC Charities Banquet in November and disbursed by January of the next year. **Applicants DO NOT have to attend the banquet.** Notifications will be emailed to the applicant. Applications must be submitted to the COGIC Charities scholarship coordinator by **August 1, 2018.**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ have read and understand the conditions of the COGIC Charities Scholarship as explained in the instructions to **Candidates for Scholarships**. I affirm that I plan to attend or am currently attending a college/university. I give permission to officials of my institution to release transcripts of my academic record and other information requested for consideration in the COGIC Charities Scholarship program. I understand that this application will be available only to qualified people who need to see it in the course of their duties. I waive the right to access letters of recommendation written on my behalf. I affirm that the completed application, including the essays, is my own work. I affirm the information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. **PLEASE BE SURE YOUR NAME IS ON ALL PAGES. DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF GRADES IS FEBRUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>.**  
Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Legal name in full (Print/Type) \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name First Name M.I.

Permanent residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Number, Street, and Apartment Number

City State ZIP

Your address at school (if different) \_\_\_\_\_  
Number, Street, and Apartment Number

City (if studying abroad, add country) State ZIP

Name of your ( if applicable): Home telephone ( )

Local Church \_\_\_\_\_ School/Cell telephone ( )

Pastor: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Jurisdiction and Bishop: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
Month/Day/Year

Name of College/University attending \_\_\_\_\_

Current cumulative GPA- \_\_\_\_\_  
(High School or College)

Classification: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Graduate/Doctoral Student  
(circle one)

Number of college credits earned to date \_\_\_\_\_ Total number of credits required for graduation \_\_\_\_\_

Current Major \_\_\_\_\_ Concentration(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

If more space is needed to respond to the following questions, insert additional pages. Pages must be clearly identified with name and response number.

1. List the secondary school from which you graduated and all higher education institutions attended. Include summer, study-abroad, exchange programs.

School	Location	Dates Attended

2. List college and high school activities (student government, sports, publications, school-sponsored community service programs, student-faculty committees, arts, music, etc.). List in descending order of significance. You will have space for eight college and four high school activities.

College Activity	Dates	Offices

High School Activity	Dates	Offices

3. List public service and community activities including church activities (homeless services, environmental protection, etc.). Do not repeat items listed previously. List in descending order of significance. You will have space to list six.

Activity	Role	Dates	# of Weeks Active

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

**4. List part-time and full-time jobs.**

Type of Work	Employer	Dates	Average # of Hours/Week

**5. List awards, scholarships, publications or special recognitions you have received. List in descending order of significance.**

**6. Describe how you have serve your community as a volunteer**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

RESPOND TO 2 OF THE 4 ESSAY QUESTIONS COMPLETELY (ALL PARTS). Use additional sheets of paper putting your name on every page.

## Scholarship Questions

- 1) In the last few months, the nation has witnessed the rise of “Me, Too”, a transformational movement founded by Tarana Burke, to support survivors of sexual abuse and encourage their ability to speak out about sexual abuse and harassment. This movement has gained momentum in its goal to expose alleged sexual abusers within different industries. In thinking about this and the victims who have come forward to expose their abusers, please answer the following questions in a paragraph. Citing biblical scriptures, please write a paragraph on what the Bible says about sexual abuse. The Fifth & Fourteenth Amendments speak about “due process” which means that one cannot be held responsible for an infraction of the law without having gone through a process that proves him or her culpable. What do you think is the appropriate due process action for people who allegedly sexually abuse or sexually harass others? Should the religious community be involved in the “Me, Too” Movement and if so, what roles are appropriate?
  
- 2) The weather patterns across the world are changing. There seems to be greater frequency of severe weather such as hurricanes, tornados, forest fires, windstorms, floods and droughts. These changes have been attributed to the global warming that has resulted from the stagnation of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere that traps the heat from the sun’s rays near the earth. These gases are the result of human activity like burning fossil fuels, which include burning coal and gasoline. In your opinion, what responsibility do Christians have to participate in reversing the deterioration of the earth’s atmosphere? What activities do you think that Christians should undertake to help alleviate the situation?
  
- 3) Early in the life of the Church of God In Christ, its members were forbidden to go to the movies. Movie attendance was considered worldly and contrary to holy living. Recently, the movie Black Panther has broken box office records for attendance and revenue with many COGIC members viewing it. With this in mind, please answer the following questions in a paragraph. Do you believe that Pentecostal-Holiness Christians should attend movies? Please explain your answer. From the Holiness-Pentecostal Christian perspective, how did this movie inspire Christian values?
  
- 4) The United States is experiencing an “opioid crisis” where thousands of people are dying from overdosing on legal and illegal drugs. In some cases, doctors are prescribing opioids for patients who are dealing with chronic pain. In other cases, people are purchasing opioids on the street and are overdosing because of the presence of fentanyl, a highly addictive narcotic in the opioid family of drugs. Fentanyl is 10 times as strong as heroin. With regard to this epidemic, what steps or preventative measures would you recommend urban initiatives implement, under the family component to reduce or eliminate overdosing from these drugs within our communities?



Name \_\_\_\_\_

9. If selected as a COGIC Scholar, briefly describe how you would give of your time and financial resources after graduation to support those in need, a charity and/or COGIC Charities?

10. State your career or academic plans/goals upon completing your studies?

11. What other personal information do you wish to share with the COGIC Charities Scholarship Committee?

12. What scholarships, financial aid or other resources will you be receiving or have applied for and in what amount?

13. What is the total semester cost for:

Tuition and fees: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Books (estimate): \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Housing: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other(specify): \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total Need: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

14. Letters of recommendation are enclosed or will be sent separately **MUST BE RECEIVED BY AUGUST 1ST**

from: \_\_\_\_\_

Please include letters from your pastor, counselor, instructor, or other individuals that are not related to you.

(2 or more letters should be included)





2017-18 Recommendation Form

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

Name of person making recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City, State, Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ in what capacity \_\_\_\_\_

From your observations and knowledge, please rate the applicant by circling the appropriate number.

	<i>Outstanding</i>	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>	<i>Not Recommended</i>
Character	5	4	3	2	1
Leadership/ Organizational Abilities	5	4	3	2	1
Dependability	5	4	3	2	1
Maturity level	5	4	3	2	1
Academic Success (Potential to complete studies)	5	4	3	2	1

Kindly provide a brief statement summarizing your letter of recommendation concerning this applicant. Please attach your letter to this form.

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send this form to: [slaw@cogic.org](mailto:slaw@cogic.org) or Ms. Sylvia Law 7904 Winterset Avenue Pikesville MD 21208 Note: Must be received by August 1<sup>st</sup>.