



## ***2023-2024 Scholarship Applicant Instructions***

**DEADLINE FILING DATE: AUGUST 1, 2023**

COGIC Charities, Inc., offers scholarships to individuals enrolled full-time in college or university by September. The scholarship is to assist with the cost of tuition, college fees, books, and student housing. Applicants will be evaluated based on the information provided on the application. Scholarships are awarded at the annual COGIC Charities Banquet in November and dispersed by January next year. Applicants DO NOT have to attend the banquet. Notification will be emailed to the applicant. Applications must be completed online by August 1, 2023.

**The Scholarship Application must be completed online. There are three parts:**

1. The Application- 40 points
2. The Essay Questions - 50 points
3. Recommendation Letters 10 points

Please complete all steps and each question of the application to ensure you receive a maximum score of 100.

Scholarships are open to all high school graduates attending a college/university full-time (12 credits or more) in the fall and those returning as full-time students to an accredited college/university pursuing an undergraduate degree. Graduate and/or doctoral degree students must take at least nine credit hours per term without exception. Recipients must submit final grades for the fall semester BEFORE checks are released. **All questions 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.

Applicants who do not comply with 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 the 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.

The COGIC Charities Scholarship Review Committee will review and evaluate all applications.

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 to determine the scholarship awards.

If the applicant is selected, official transcripts will be requested, and financial need will be verified. If selected, high school students must submit an official sealed high school transcript, and college students must have the college/university send the transcript. The process for submitting this information will be emailed to all selected applicants.

Your electronic signature affirms that you have read and understand the conditions of the COGIC Charities Scholarship as explained in these instructions and that you plan to attend or are currently attending a college/university. You must grant permission for your college/university officials to release your academic transcripts and other information requested by the COGIC Charities Scholarship program. You understand that this application will be available only to qualified people who need to see it during their duties. You waive the right to access letters of recommendation written on your behalf. You affirm that the completed application, including the essay responses, is your work and you have not used artificial intelligence. You affirm the information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge and belief.

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Applicant Printed Name

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Applicant Signature

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Date