



Link to Success

Scholarship Announcement and Application, 2020

The Links, Incorporated San Jose (CA) Chapter

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1: Determine if you are eligible

To be eligible for the scholarship, you must:

- 1) Be African American
- 2) Have a grade point average between 2.0 –3.0**
- 3) Reside in Santa Clara County
- 4) Plan to attend a 2- or 4-year college or university

The application must be **postmarked by March 15, 2020**. Award recipients will be notified by May, 2020.

Deadline:

Applications are due March 15, 2020 (postmark)

Step 2: Complete the application

All documents must be submitted by the deadline. Applications that are, complete or incomplete and, received after the due date **will not** be considered for the scholarship. It is essential that you include a photograph no larger than 4 x 6 inches in color or black and white with your completed application.

Step 3: Obtain references

Using the enclosed reference forms, please submit one reference (**from persons not related to you**) with your completed application. Applications received without a reference will not be considered for this cycle.

Step 4: Obtain Transcript

An official-sealed high school transcript

Step 5: Submit your application and current photograph

Link to Success Scholarship
c/o Mrs. Malaika Young
3462 Woodyend Ct. San Jose, CA 95121

Selection process:

Selection will be based upon compliance with basic eligibility requirements set forth by the Links Incorporated, San Jose (CA) Chapter selection committee. Finalist will be invited to attend a scholarship interview. All candidates are required to attend the interview.

Fund distribution:

Upon verification of selection by the Links Executive Board and chapter members, recipients will be notified by letter. Scholarship checks will be mailed upon receipt of proof of enrollment. The scholarship recipient will be awarded two payments of \$1,000.00. (Fall and Spring semesters)

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PART I—PERSONAL DATA INFORMATION

Name _____
 Last /Family First /Given Middle

Permanent Mailing Address: (Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

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(Home Phone) (Cell Phone)

Email Address Birth Date mm/dd/yyyy

Emergency Contact name and telephone Number:

High School Name and City _____

College Plans: _____ _____
 College Name Major

School Activities (you may attach additional documentation)

List school, club or sport activities that you have participated in during the past four years. Please list the activities in order of their interest to you.

School activity	# of Years	Position held	Achievements /Awards

Community Activities (you may attach additional documentation)

List community and religious activities that you have participated in during the past four years. Please list the activities in order of their interest to you.

Activity	# of Years	Position Held	Achievements/Awards

PART II—PERSONAL STATEMENT

Using another sheet of paper, please tell us in 1000 words or less your career goals and how your education and/or skills training support those goals and why you are deserving of this scholarship.

PART III: REFERENCES

Using the enclosed reference form, please submit one reference (from persons not related to you) with your completed application packet. Applications received without a reference will not be considered. A completed application must have the reference attached in order to be eligible for the scholarship.

PART IV—AGREEMENT

- I certify that all information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I will notify the Links Incorporated, San Jose (CA) Chapter of any changes or modifications to this application.
- I understand that my application becomes the property of the Links Incorporated San Jose (CA) Chapter. The application will be considered confidential, unless the applicant grants Links Incorporated, San Jose (CA) Chapter permission to release personal information for the purpose of publicizing the Scholarship.
- I grant to the Links Incorporated, San Jose (CA) Chapter, and representatives the right to take photographs of me and my property in connection with the above-identified subject. I further authorize Links Incorporated San Jose (CA) Chapter, its assigns and transferees to copyright, use and publish the same in print and/or electronically.

I agree that Links Incorporated San Jose (CA) Chapter may use such photographs of me and written text with or without my name and for any lawful purpose, including for example such purposes as publicity, illustration, advertising, and web content.

I have read and understand the above:

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date** _____

Printed name _____

Signature, parent or guardian (if under age 18) _____

Attach Photograph Here

Submitted to:
Link to Success Scholarship
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San Jose, CA 95121
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**The Links Incorporated, San Jose (CA) Chapter
Scholarship Program**

Recommendation Form

Applicant Instructions: One recommendation is required unless otherwise stated. Please duplicate form. Please give the recommendation form to a school employee (teacher, coach, administrator) at your attending school or a community member: a supervisor, community leader, pastor, family friend, coach (non-school affiliated), etc. **It is your responsibility to include the form with your written recommendation.**

PART I – To Be Completed By The Person Completing Recommendation

Name of Reference _____ Title _____

Nature of acquaintance with applicant (e.g., Teacher, supervisor, pastor, community leader)

How long have you known the applicant? _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

_____ Date _____

Signature of Reference

The Links Incorporated, San Jose (CA) Chapter
Link to Success Scholarship Program
Final Check List



Dear Applicant:

As you complete your application for the Scholarship Program, be sure that you complete the following:

1. Appropriate postage for mailing to the scholarship selection committee is important and you might wish to check with your local post office.
2. Be sure that you mail your application information by the deadline of **March 15, 2020** and your packet is postmarked by the United States Post Office.
3. Did you complete all sections of the application?
4. Is your sealed transcript enclosed?
5. Did you include the reference form **and** reference letter; are they attached and included in your application mailing?
6. Did you complete your personal statement on a separate sheet of paper in no more than 1,000 words indicating your career goals and why you are worthy for this scholarship?
7. Did you sign Part V-The Agreement? Did you sign your application?
8. Did you complete all of the Personal Information in ink?
9. Did you indicate the school and community activities that you participate in and why they are important to your application for the scholarship?

Questions? Contact us at malaika54@yahoo.com

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