



## 2019 Two-Year College and Vocation Scholarship

The Imani Pearls Community Development Foundation (IPCDF) is offering educational scholarship opportunities to high school seniors planning to attend two-year colleges, vocational, trade or apprenticeship programs in the fall. IPCDF is also offering scholarships to current two-year college students planning to continue their education at two-year colleges. The applicant must have permanent residency or attend school in the Bronzeville, Douglas, Washington Park, Grand Boulevard, Oakland, Kenwood, Hyde Park or Englewood community.

### Scholarship Award

IPCDF will make a one-time award of \$500 to each recipient. The award checks will be made payable to the scholarship recipients and will be awarded upon proof of enrollment in spring of 2019. **Application materials are due Friday, April 5, 2019.**

<u>High School Seniors</u>	<u>Continuing College/Vocational Program Students</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A completed scholarship application and media release form</li> <li>• Submission of a typed essay (500 words/1 page)</li> </ul> <p><b>Essay Topic:</b> What is your main goal in obtaining your degree/certification from your chosen institution? How will you use your educational experience to better your community?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One character letter of recommendation from a school official or a service organization with which you have volunteered, on official letterhead.</li> <li>• 2.85 Cumulative Grade Point Average or higher (unweighted)</li> <li>• The most recent official transcript in a sealed envelope OR emailed directly from the school with an official seal</li> <li>• An acceptance letter from the two-year college, vocational, trade or apprenticeship program you will attend on official letterhead</li> <li>• Proof of all community service hours performed during your high school career; a minimum of 40 hours is required</li> <li>• Proof of permanent residency or school attendance in the Bronzeville, Douglas, Washington Park, Grand Boulevard, Oakland, Kenwood, Hyde Park or Englewood community</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A completed scholarship application and media release form</li> <li>• Submission of a typed essay (500 words/1 page)</li> </ul> <p><b>Essay Topic:</b> What is your main goal in obtaining your degree/certification from your chosen institution? How will you use your educational experience to better your community?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One character letter of recommendation from a school official or a service organization with which you have volunteered, on official letterhead.</li> <li>• 2.85 Cumulative Grade Point Average or higher</li> <li>• The most recent official transcript from your two-year college, vocational or trade program in a sealed envelope OR emailed directly from the college/program with an official seal</li> <li>• Proof of all community service performed in the last 12 months on an organization's letterhead</li> <li>• Proof of permanent residency or school attendance in the Bronzeville, Douglas, Washington Park, Grand Boulevard, Oakland, Kenwood, Hyde Park or Englewood community</li> </ul>

**Submission Deadline** All application packets and transcripts must be received by **Friday, April 5, 2019.**

**Email or mail** completed application including community service documentation, typed essay, recommendation letter and official transcript to:

Scholarships@ipcdf.org  
 Imani Pearls Community Development Foundation  
 Attn: Scholarship Committee  
 3473 S. King Drive, Suite 307  
 Chicago, IL 60616



# 2019 Two-Year College and Vocation Scholarship Application

Please complete this form in its entirety. Information must be typed or printed directly on this form.

## **Required Information** (Please Print or Type)

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

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

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Best Contact Phone Number: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: Male / Female (Please Circle)

Current School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Curriculum/Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_

List any Honors, Awards, or Extra-Curricular Activities:

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List Community Service (activity and hours) and attach documentation:

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How did you hear about our scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

## **Application Review Process:**

Completed application materials must be received by 11:59pm on **Friday, April 5, 2019** to be considered. Applications that are incomplete or late will automatically be disqualified. Scholarship recipients will be notified by spring of 2019. Students will be presented scholarship award checks for the 2019-2020 academic year after remitting proof of enrollment.



# 2019 Two-Year College and Vocation Scholarship Application – High School Checklist

Utilize this checklist to ensure your application packet is complete. Late or incomplete packets will be disqualified. Return this checklist with your application packet. The information below also serves as general guidelines to assist applicants in understanding the review criteria.

1.  A completed scholarship application and media release form
  
2.  A typed essay (500 words/1 page)  
  
What is your main goal in obtaining your degree/certification from your chosen institution? How will you use your educational experience to better your community?  
  
The essay will be assessed on the following:
  - Adherence to essay topic
  - Favorable essay characteristics, such as compelling, interesting and engaging
  - Spelling and grammar
  
3.  One character recommendation letter, on official letterhead, from a school official or a service organization with which you have volunteered
  
4.  A cumulative 2.85 Grade Point Average or higher (unweighted)
  
5.  The most recent official transcript from your high school in a sealed envelope OR emailed directly from the school with an official seal
  
6.  A copy of an acceptance letter on official letterhead from the two-year college, vocational, apprenticeship or trade program you will attend
  
7.  Proof of all community service performed during your high school career. At a minimum, provide proof of 40 hours of community service participation.
  
8.  Proof of permanent residency or school attendance in the Bronzeville, Douglas, Washington Park, Grand Boulevard, Oakland, Kenwood, Hyde Park or Englewood community



## **2019 Two-Year College and Vocation Scholarship Application – Continuing College/Vocational Program Student Checklist**

Utilize this checklist to ensure your application packet is complete. Late or incomplete packets will be disqualified. Return this checklist with your application packet. The information below also serves as general guidelines to assist applicants in understanding the review criteria.

1.  A completed scholarship application and media release form
  
2.  A typed essay (500 words/1 page)  
  
What is your main goal in obtaining your degree/certification from your chosen institution?  
How will you use your educational experience to better your community?  
  
The essay will be assessed on the following:
  - Adherence to essay topic
  - Favorable essay characteristics, such as compelling, interesting and engaging
  - Spelling and grammar
  
3.  One character recommendation letter, on official letterhead, from a school or a service organization with which you have volunteered
  
4.  A cumulative 2.85 Grade Point Average or higher
  
5.  The most recent official transcript from a two-year college, vocational, apprenticeship or trade program in a sealed envelope OR emailed directly from the college/program with an official seal
  
6.  Proof of all community service performed during the last 12 months. At minimum, proof of participation in one activity in the last 12 months on an organization's letterhead.
  
7.  Proof of permanent residency or school attendance in the Bronzeville, Douglas, Washington Park, Grand Boulevard, Oakland, Kenwood, Hyde Park or Englewood community



**PHOTOGRAPHY AND/OR AUDIO-VISUAL RELEASE FORM  
AND PARENTAL CONSENT**

I (parent/guardian name), \_\_\_\_\_, hereby authorize the Imani Pearls Community Development Foundation (IPCDF) and/or photographer/videographer working on behalf of IPCDF to use, reproduce, and/or publish photographs and/or video that may pertain to my son/daughter, \_\_\_\_\_, — including his/her image, likeness and/or voice without compensation.

I understand that this material may be used in various publications, public affairs releases, recruitment materials, broadcast public service advertising (PSAs) or for other related endeavors. This material may also appear on the IPCDF's Internet web and/or social media sites.

This authorization is continuous and may only be withdrawn by my specific rescission of this authorization. Consequently, IPCDF may publish materials, use my name, photograph, and/or make reference to me in any manner that IPCDF deems appropriate in order to promote/publicize service opportunities.

Description of Material (Photos/Audio-Visual):

Photographs and videotaped comments

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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