



2020 Helen R. Jackson Scholarship

The Imani Pearls Community Development Foundation (IPCDF) is offering educational scholarship opportunities to high school seniors planning to attend a college or university in the fall. IPCDF is offering the Helen R. Jackson Scholarship specifically to male high school senior students planning to major in business at a two-year college or a four-year college or university. Preference will be given to those male high school seniors who have permanent residency or attend school in the Bronzeville, Douglas, Englewood, Grand Boulevard, Hyde Park, Kenwood, Oakland, or Washington Park community.

Scholarship Award

IPCDF will make a one-time award of \$1,000. The award check will be made payable to the scholarship recipient and will be awarded upon proof of enrollment in summer of 2020. **As a result of COVID-19, IPCDF is extending our application materials acceptance date to Monday, June 1, 2020.**

Graduating Male High School Seniors

- A completed scholarship application
- 2.0 Cumulative Grade Point Average or higher (unweighted)
- Will have a business major
- Submission of a typed essay (500 words/1 page)

Essay Topic:

What is the one thing you would change about your life, (or the world or your community, etc.) if there were no barriers to making the change happen?

- The most recent unofficial transcript
- An acceptance letter or other proof of enrollment on official letterhead from the two-year college or the four-year college or university you will attend during the 2020-2021 academic year
- If applicable, proof of permanent residency or school attendance in the Bronzeville, Douglas, Englewood, Grand Boulevard, Hyde Park, Kenwood, Oakland, or Washington Park community
- A signed media release form

Submission Deadline All application packets must be received by **Monday, June 1, 2020.**

Email or Mail applications and supporting materials to:

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

2020 Helen R. Jackson Scholarship Application Checklist

Utilize this checklist to ensure your application packet is complete. Late or incomplete submissions 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
2. A typed essay (500 words/1 page)
Essay Topic:
What is the one thing you would change about your life, (or the world or your community, etc.) if there were no barriers to making the change happen?

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. A cumulative 2.0 Grade Point Average or higher (unweighted)
4. The most recent unofficial transcript
5. A copy of an acceptance letter on official letterhead from the two-year college or four-year college or university you will attend during the 2020-2021 academic year
6. If applicable, proof of permanent residency or school attendance in the Bronzeville, Douglas, Englewood, Grand Boulevard, Hyde Park, Kenwood, Oakland, or Washington Park community
7. A signed media release form