



## 2020 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, Englewood, Grand Boulevard, Hyde Park, Kenwood, Oakland, or Washington Park 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 summer of 2020. **As a result of COVID-19, IPCDF is extending our application materials acceptance date to Monday, June 1, 2020.**

<b>High School Seniors</b>	<b>Continuing College/Vocational Program Students</b>
<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></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Explain a family, social or school situation, in which your leadership made the difference. What was accomplished?</li><li>● One character letter of recommendation from a school official or a service organization with which you have volunteered, on official letterhead.</li><li>● 2.0 Cumulative Grade Point Average or higher (unweighted)</li><li>● Most recent unofficial transcript</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, Englewood, Grand Boulevard, Hyde Park, Kenwood, Oakland, or Washington Park 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></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Explain a family, social, or school situation, in which your leadership made the difference. What was accomplished?</li><li>● One character letter of recommendation from a school official or a service organization with which you have volunteered, on official letterhead.</li><li>● 2.0 Cumulative Grade Point Average or higher</li><li>● Most recent unofficial transcript</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, Englewood, Grand Boulevard, Hyde Park, Kenwood, Oakland, or Washington Park community</li></ul>

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

Mail completed application including community service documentation, typed essay, recommendation letter, and transcript to:

**Imani Pearls Community Development Foundation**

**Attn: Scholarship Committee**

**3473 S. King Drive, Suite 307**

**Chicago, IL 60616**

**or**

**Email: [Scholarships@ipcdf.org](mailto:Scholarships@ipcdf.org)**



# 2020 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)  
  
Explain a family, social, or school situation, in which your leadership made the difference. What was accomplished?  
  
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 2.0 Grade Point Average or higher (unweighted)
  
5.  The most recent unofficial transcript
  
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, Englewood, Hyde Park, Grand Boulevard, Kenwood, Oakland, or Washington Park community



## 2020 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)  
  
Explain a family, social, or school situation, in which your leadership made the difference. What was accomplished?  
  
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 2.0 Grade Point Average or higher
  
5.  The most recent unofficial transcript
  
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, Englewood, Grand Boulevard, Hyde Park, Kenwood, Oakland, or Washington Park community