



## FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

*The Good News Foundation* is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit foundation dedicated to making a positive and meaningful difference in the lives of people in need and at-risk in greater Los Angeles. Founded independently by television journalist at competing news stations, The Good News Foundation brings together a powerful network to recognize and reward those who are making GOOD NEWS in our communities

Part of our mission includes funding scholarships and mentoring programs for aspiring students who demonstrate not only the desire to become television journalists, but the determination to uphold the standards set forth by the profession. Since we were founded in 2006, we have awarded more than \$50,000 in scholarships... and each of our recipients have gone on to work in the field of broadcasting.

This year, we are proud to offer a number of scholarship opportunities to qualified candidates. Completing the requirements of this ONE application will allow eligible students to be considered for all of The Good News Scholarships currently being offered. Our selection committee will determine which scholarship is best suited for each individual recipient based on criteria as well as financial need.

### APPLICATION CHECKLIST

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|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| ✓ INFORMATION SHEET          | ✓ RECOMMENDATIONS (2)               |
| ✓ ONE PAGE RESUME            | ✓ VIDEO RESUME [OPTIONAL]           |
| ✓ COLLEGE TRANSCRIPT         | ✓ ESSAY #1-CAREER GOALS             |
| ✓ PROOF OF ENROLLMENT LETTER | ✓ ESSAY #2-FINANCIALNEED [OPTIONAL] |

RECIPIENTS OF THE GOOD NEWS SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE NOTIFIED DIRECTLY BY  
SEPTEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>



**F O U N D A T I O N  
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

**INFORMATION SHEET**

NAME:

ADDRESS:

EMAIL:

PHONE:

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY:

YEARS COMPLETED:

DECLARED MAJOR:

ACADEMIC ADVISOR:

**PLEASE MAIL YOUR APPLICATION MATERIALS BY LABOR DAY**

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**GNF OFFICE USE ONLY**

DATE RECEIVED:

RECOMMENDATIONS:

TRANSCRIPT INCLUDED:

CAREER ESSAY:

VIDEO RESUME:

FINACIAL NEEDS ESSAY:

APPLICATION MATERIALS WILL NOT BE RETURNED UNLESS REQUESTED



## F O U N D A T I O N

### SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS & ELIGIBILITY

#### WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY TO THE GOOD NEWS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM?

Any student who has completed at least one year of college and is currently enrolled at any fully accredited post-secondary institution within the Los Angeles television viewing market is eligible to apply. Additionally, students who have a declared permanent residence in the Greater Los Angeles area, but are currently attending an out-of-state college are also encouraged to apply for scholarship consideration. Applicants must demonstrate the desire to pursue a career in television broadcasting and the determination to uphold the professional standards of the industry. Preferential consideration will be given to those applicants who have already declared majors in either journalism or communications. Completed, credited internships at television stations are also encouraged and strongly recommended.

#### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Applicant must be enrolled as a sophomore, junior or senior at a college or university for the entire upcoming academic year.
- Applicant's current academic curriculum must show completed courses and subjects that prepare the student for a career in television news. Preferential consideration will be given those applicants with declared majors in Journalism or Communications—with an emphasis in Television Broadcasting.
- Applicant must have a minimum 2.8 GPA.
- Applicant must be a U.S. Citizen; U.S. National; U.S. Permanent Resident or Temporary Resident (legalization program).

COMPLETING ONE APPLICATION WILL QUALIFY APPLICANTS FOR ALL OF THE ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIPS BEING OFFERED.

#### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS AND DOCUMENTATION

- A completed information sheet.
- A college transcript
- A one-page resume indicating academic achievements and work experience, including internships.
- Proof of enrollment in an accredited post-secondary institution for the entire upcoming academic year.
- Two letters of recommendation. One letter must be from a college or university faculty or staff member—who is not a family member—familiar with the student's work and career interest.
- Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit a video resume highlighting the student's ability to work in front of the camera. Consideration will be given to all aspects of performance including: presentation, demeanor, voice, story-telling ability, writing and overall on-camera presence. Video resume should not exceed 5 minutes in length. Video resume **MUST** be on DVD format and will not be returned (unless specifically requested).

## WRITING REQUIREMENTS

- A 500-750 word essay that describes the applicant's desire to become a television journalist and uphold the professional standards of the industry. Applicant should include information pursuant to their career goals and ambitions. Applicants are strongly encouraged to include information about any relevant work experience, including internships. Within the context of the essay, applicant should also explain her individual news philosophy and how they see their future role as a television journalist.
- A 250-500 word optional essay explaining the applicant's financial need for scholarship consideration. Financial need is not a pre-requisite for this application... however, special selection consideration will be given to qualified applicants demonstrating financial hardship.

## DEADLINES

- Complete applications must be received no later than LABOR DAY WEEKEND
- Recipient(s) will be notified of selections by mid-September
- Winning applicants must be available for a presentation event scheduled in mid-October

## HOW DOES THE SELECTION PROCESS WORK?

The Good News Foundation appoints a selection committee—comprised of television journalists to review applications from all qualified candidates. Once finalists are chosen, the selection committee will then determine which of the Good News Scholarship being offered best suits the individual talents and financial needs of the applicants.

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