

Dr. Anissa McNeil Education Endowment

Unstoppable Awards for Foster Youth

2016 Scholarship Application

For more information regarding the scholarship application process and detailed information about the Unstoppable Awards please visit www.edworks4u.org.

The Unstoppable Awards

The Unstoppable Awards were created by Dr. Anissa McNeil to assist foster youth to achieve their education goals.

Scholarships Offered:

We will award 7-9 foster youth with a scholarship ranging from \$500.00 to \$2,500.00 to attend a 4 year college/university or trade school. The award will be issued directly to the college or university upon evidence of enrollment in a college, university, or trade school and demonstrated financial need.

Scholarship Eligibility:

1. Applicant must be a US citizen.
2. Applicant must be a foster youth and able to verify that you are a foster youth.
3. Applicant must be a high school senior, attending school in Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, or Riverside County.
4. Applicant must anticipate completing high school in Spring 2016.
5. Applicants GPA must range from a 2.3 – 3.2 and submit a transcript.
6. Applicant must demonstrated how he or she has overcome significant obstacles or challenges.
7. Applicants must submit a letter of recommendation.
8. Applicant may be currently or formerly on probation.

Scholarship Application Deadline: April 30, 2016. Applications must be post marked by Saturday, April 30, 2016. Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted-no exceptions.

Semi-Finalist Interviews will be held on **May 14, 2016** at Argosy University-Los Angeles 5230 Pacific Concourse Dr. Suite #200, Los Angeles, CA 90045

Finalist will be honored at: The Unstoppable Award Luncheon on

June 11, 2016 from 1-3pm

**Brookside Golf & Country Club
1133 Rosemont Avenue
Pasadena CA 91103**

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Application Process

1. Complete pages 4 through 10
2. Unstoppable Statement
In a minimum of 500 to maximum of 750 words write a personal statement which describes your experience in foster care, school, and the challenges or obstacles which you have overcome.
3. Complete a letter of recommendation by a professional which indicates statements about your attitude towards life and learning.
4. Foster Youth Verification Form
5. School Certification Form
6. Copy of Transcript
7. Personal Signature/Consent to Release Photo Form

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UNSTOPPABLE AWARD APPLICATION

I. PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Legal Name in Full (Print/Type) _____
LAST FIRST M.I.

Address: _____
STREET ADDRESS, APT NUMBER

CITY STATE ZIP

(_____) _____ (_____) _____
HOME PHONE MOBILE PHONE

EMAIL ADDRESS

_____/_____/_____
DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH/DAY/YEAR) GENDER

Ethnicity: Please check (*optional*)

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|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> African American/Black | <input type="checkbox"/> Pacific Islander | <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian-American | <input type="checkbox"/> Chicano-/Mexican-American | <input type="checkbox"/> Latino |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pacific Islander | <input type="checkbox"/> Filipino | <input type="checkbox"/> White/Caucasian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | | |

II. EDUCATION:

CURRENT SCHOOL NAME (_____) _____
SCHOOL PHONE

STREET CITY ZIP

NAME OF PRINCIPAL NAME OF COUNSELOR

Enter the names of colleges/universities you have applied to (indicate any acceptances:

- 1. _____ ACCEPTED
- 2. _____ ACCEPTED
- 3. _____ ACCEPTED

Intended Major: _____

FINANCIAL NEED:

- Yes, I need financial support to attend the college/trade school of my choice
- No, I do not need financial support to attend the college/trade school of my choice

I have applied for the following financial support:

_____ AB 12 _____ Financial Aid _____ Chaffey Grant
_____ DCFS ILP Support

Please indicate all scholarships you have received: _____

III. HONORS AND AWARDS:

List any honors, awards and special recognition you have received in the last three years.

Name of Organization/Institution	Honor/Award	Date of Receipt

IV. SCHOOL AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

List any school activities such as: student government, sports, arts, music, publications, and/or school sponsored community service events.

School/Extracurricular Activity	Position	Date(s) of Participation

Internships /Jobs:

List any part-time or full-time jobs, internships with government agencies, political activities, ROTC or military activities.

Business/Agency	Position	Date (s) of Employment	No. of Hours Per Week

Community Service:

List any public service and community activities in which you participated. Do not repeat previously listed activities.

Business/Agency	Position	Date (s) of Service	No. of Hours Per Week

V. FOSTER YOUTH VERIFICATION

Please complete the following section. The award is given only to foster youth. With that in mind, we must verify that you are indeed a foster youth.

Please indicate below if we have your permission to contact individuals listed to verify that you are a foster youth.

- Yes**, I give permission for you to contact the individuals listed below to confirm that I am a foster youth
- No**, I do not give permission for you to contact the individuals listed below to confirm that I am a foster youth

Case Number: _____

Social Worker:

Name: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Attorney:

Name: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Placement:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Person to Contact: _____ Telephone Number: _____

VI. SCHOOL CERTIFICATION AND OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT

This section must be completed by the school administrator or counselor.

Please provide the following data and an official and sealed transcript.

High School Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Senior Status: Is the student a high school senior? Yes No

Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

Total Grade Point Average: _____

College Prep Information:

SAT Test Date: _____

SAT Scores: English _____ Math _____ Writing _____

ACT Test Date: _____ **Composite Score:** _____

College Enrollment Information:

List college (s) or trade school which the student has been accepted to:

School Administrator or Counselor Signature

Print Name: _____ **Title:** _____

Signature: _____

VII. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND SIGNATURE

Please review the responses on the scholarship application and agree to the following acknowledgements by signing your name below:

1. My signature confirms that all information provided on this application is accurate and truthful.
2. I authorize school officials to release transcripts of my academic record and other information requested for consideration of the scholarship.
3. I understand that this application will be made available to only those qualified to review for the sole purpose of assessing the scholarship award.
4. If selected, I agree to attend the honoring luncheon on Saturday, June 11, 2016.

Applicant Signature

Date

Guardian Signature (if under 18)

Date

****Please Note:** If any information provided on this application is deemed inaccurate or false, Dr. Anissa McNeil Education Endowment Scholarship Committee reserves the right to rescind your application.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

The application must be postmarked or emailed by **Saturday, April 30, 2016**.

Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Be certain to include the following items along with the application:

- Unstoppable Statement
- Official School Transcript (sealed)
- Letter of Recommendation
- Foster Youth Verification
- School Certification
- Acknowledgement and Signature

You may email your completed application to: scholarships@edworks4u.org

You may mail your completed application to the address below:

**Education Working Consulting Firm, Inc.
Unstoppable Awards
1142 S. Diamond Bar Blvd #834
Diamond Bar, CA 919765**