



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION  
OF GREATER BIRMINGHAM

**2012 ENVIRONMENTAL LITIGATION GROUP (ELG) SCHOLARSHIP POLICIES**  
**SUBMISSION DEADLINE: MARCH 1, 2012**

1. **ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS:** It is expected that applicants in high school will have a 3.5 grade point average on a 4-point scale and a minimum ACT score of 20 or SAT score of 1000. College applicants should have a 3.0 grade point average on a 4-point scale. SAT/ACT scores are not required if applicant is already enrolled full time in college and is submitting a college transcript.
2. **COLLEGES:** Scholarship recipients must attend and/or be a current student at a two- or four-year college or university accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools or equivalent and be enrolled in a two- or four-year course. Recipients may have transferred from a two-year junior college to a four-year college or university to complete degree requirements. This scholarship is intended for undergraduate studies. *Applicants should be graduating high school seniors or have at least one full year of undergraduate studies remaining.*
3. **APPLICATION OF FUNDS:** Scholarship funds may be used to cover undergraduate expenses which include tuition, books, and academic fees only (i.e. lab, technology, SGA fees). **These funds cannot be used to pay for meals, room and board or other social fees.**
4. **SCHOLARSHIP RENEWAL:** The 2012 ELG Scholarship is a **one year, one time award**. If renewal funds are available, recipient will be notified in May 2013 and asked to submit their 2013 transcript to be considered for another year.
5. **NOTIFICATION:** Letters will be mailed no later than May 25, 2012, informing applicants of the committee's decision.
6. **OBLIGATIONS:** Each student receiving a scholarship must:
  - a) Maintain at least a 3.0 grade point average on a 4-point scale.
  - b) Return the ELG Scholarship Information Sheet and keep the Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham apprised of any change in home or email address, telephone number, major, graduation date, college choice, or intention to transfer.
  - c) Report any withdrawal immediately in writing to the Community Foundation.

**DISCLOSURE: Name and/or photograph of applicant may be used in promotional materials if applicant is selected for a scholarship.**



## ENVIRONMENTAL LITIGATION GROUP (ELG) SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

The Environmental Litigation Group Scholarship is reserved for the legal descendants (**children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren**) of clients involved in an asbestos-related lawsuit filed through the ELG. In order to reserve this scholarship for the descendants of the families specified by the donors, applicants will be asked to **name the ELG client on the application** along with **their relation to him or her** (father, mother, paternal or maternal grandparent – *if applicant is a grandchild, please name the parent who is directly related to client* - and so on) **as well as the last four digits of the ELG CLIENT's Social Security Number**. This information must be accurate for the application to be considered.

Students who are currently applying for college as well as students already attending a two- or four-year college or university are encouraged to apply. (This scholarship is for undergraduate studies only.)

ELG Scholarship Application, essay and other material can be mailed or hand-delivered as noted below. Deadline for submission is March 1, 2012.

### Required information includes:

- 1) **Completed application** with ELG client information;
- 2) **A 150-300 word essay**, typed, on the following topic:  
Describe a particular responsibility you have had as a member of a school organization, a volunteer group, or as an employee. Give details and/or discuss an experience you had in that role. Tell what you learned from having that responsibility.
- 3) **An official transcript** (sent under separate cover from the school or sealed in a separate envelope) that includes **2011 fall semester** grades;
- 4) **Federal Income Tax Return** (send a copy of family's most recent income tax return with application and **mark out Social Security numbers**); Note: Financial need is a criteria for selection but not as defined by Federal guidelines
- 5) **Two character reference forms** (in separate sealed envelope), preferably from teachers and/or employers.

**Note: Scholarship Selection criteria:** In addition to the academic criteria, the content of the essay, character reference and financial need are considered.

ANY APPLICATION NOT INCLUDING THE ABOVE ITEMS WILL BE INCOMPLETE AND WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED IN THE REVIEW PROCESS. APPLICATIONS HAND-DELIVERED AFTER 4:30 P.M. CST ON MARCH 1, 2012, OR POSTMARKED AFTER MARCH 1, 2012, WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

The Community Foundation Scholarship Selection Committee reviews applications and determines recipients. All applicants will be informed of the committee's decision no later than May 25, 2012. Due to the large number of applicants, **we cannot accept individual inquiries about the status of an application after the deadline.**

**Hand-delivered applications with supporting documents must be received at the Community Foundation address below by 4:30 p.m. CST March 1, 2012.**

**Applications sent by mail must be postmarked no later than March 1, 2012.**

**Mailing and street address:** Attention: Scholarships, Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham, 2100 First Avenue North, Suite 700, Birmingham, AL 35203

**Contact for more information:** Koko McCall, Scholarship Manager, 205-327-3809



2012 ENVIRONMENTAL LITIGATION GROUP SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

-PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY-

I. PERSONAL DATA

Legal Name: Last First Middle

Birth Date / / Place of Birth Social Security No: - -

Home Address:

Apartment Number City State Zip

Home Telephone Cell Phone Number

E-mail

The following is optional. If you wish to be identified with a particular ethnic group, please check all that apply: African American, Black Native American (tribal affiliation) Asian American Hispanic or Latino Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander Puerto Rican White or Caucasian Other

II. FAMILY

Parent 1: Last First Middle

Parent 2: Last First Middle

Living? Yes No (Date Deceased)

Living? Yes No (Date Deceased)

Home Address (if different from yours):

Home Address (if different from yours):

Occupation

Occupation

Name of employer or business

Name of employer or business

College, if any

College, if any

Degree Year

Degree Year

Professional or graduate school

Professional or graduate school

Degree Year

Degree Year

Deceased or Living \*Name of ELG client only \*Your relation to ELG client - please be specific-if grandchild, name your parent, also, who is directly related to client \* Last four digits ELG Client's Social Security No:



If not with both parents, with whom do you make your permanent home? \_\_\_\_\_

Legal guardian's name (s) and address (if not same as above) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's current marital status: \_\_\_single \_\_\_married \_\_\_separated \_\_\_divorced \_\_\_widowed

Your current marital status: \_\_\_single \_\_\_married \_\_\_separated \_\_\_divorced \_\_\_widowed

No. of Siblings: \_\_\_\_\_ If any, please list name, age and if attending college at least half-time next year

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Attends College:  Yes;  No

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Attends College:  Yes;  No

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Attends College:  Yes;  No

**III. FINANCIAL REPORT MANDATORY – CANNOT CONSIDER IF INFORMATION IS INCOMPLETE!**

*(Please mark out Social Security Numbers on any tax forms submitted)*

Father's (Stepfather) Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_\_

**Provide copy of 2011 Federal Income Tax Return**

Mother's (Stepmother) Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_\_

**Provide copy of 2011 Federal Income Tax Return**

If applicable, Spouse's Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_\_

**Provide copy of 2011 Federal Income Tax Return**

Are there any extraordinary expenses in your family? (Illness, debts, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_ Explain \_\_\_\_\_

If applicable, amount parents will contribute to your college expenses each year \_\_\_\_\_

If applicable, amount spouse will contribute to college expenses each year \_\_\_\_\_

If parents are separated or divorced, will you receive assistance from the parent with whom you do not live? \_\_\_\_\_  
How much? \_\_\_\_\_

Amount other relatives will contribute to your college support? \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be receiving PACT funds? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you received scholarship aid including Federal aid? \_\_\_\_\_ (this includes sources such as PELL grant)

If so, please list amounts and sources \_\_\_\_\_



**What full or part-time jobs do you have or have you had?**

Employer	Dates	Hrs/week	Salary/Wage

**IV. EDUCATIONAL DATA**

High School you attend (or from which you graduated) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ MM/YY Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Senior Counselor's Name \_\_\_\_\_ School Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

The following should also be on your official transcript. If your school provides no GPA or rank, please indicate.

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

ACT: English Score: \_\_\_\_\_ Math Score: \_\_\_\_\_ Reading Score: \_\_\_\_\_ Science Score: \_\_\_\_\_ Composite \_\_\_\_\_

Or

SAT: Verbal Score: \_\_\_\_\_ Math Score: \_\_\_\_\_ Essay Score: \_\_\_\_\_ Composite \_\_\_\_\_

Rank in Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate your choice of college (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied for college admission? \_\_\_\_\_ Have you been accepted? \_\_\_\_\_

Intended/Declared Major: \_\_\_\_\_

If decided, please provide ultimate educational or life goal: (Attach a separate sheet of paper if needed) \_\_\_\_\_

If applicable, name of college you are attending: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Classification as of April 2012: I am currently a...**

\_\_\_\_\_ High School Senior \_\_\_\_\_ College Freshman \_\_\_\_\_ College Sophomore \_\_\_\_\_ College Junior

**Honors and Activities in high school or college: (Please attach separate sheet of paper if needed)**

Academic: \_\_\_\_\_

Extracurricular and community service: \_\_\_\_\_



## Application Checklist - PLEASE PROVIDE ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION

Before submitting your application, please make sure it is complete by filling out this checklist:

\_\_\_\_\_ Last four digits of ELG Client's SSN and your relationship to client

\_\_\_\_\_ Essay

\_\_\_\_\_ Complete ELG Scholarship Application

\_\_\_\_\_ 2011 Federal Income Tax Return

\_\_\_\_\_ Two character reference forms from adults (non-family members i.e., teachers or employers)

\_\_\_\_\_ Official transcript (sealed by your school or under separate cover) – Include fall 2011 semester grades and, if you are a high school senior or have not attended college full time, ACT or SAT scores

*We affirm that the information submitted on this application is accurate to the best of our knowledge. If awarded scholarship, we give permission to the Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham to release student's name and photo to be used in promotional material.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**\*\*\*\*\*BOTH APPLICANT AND PARENT/GUARDIAN MUST SIGN APPLICATION\*\*\*\*\*  
ALL INFORMATION WILL BE CONSIDERED CONFIDENTIAL**

Applications **must be postmarked by March 1, 2012,**  
and sent to the Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham

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The Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham  
2100 First Avenue North, Suite 700  
Birmingham, AL 35203

Scholarship Manager Koko McCall: (205) 327-3809

# ENVIRONMENTAL LITIGATION GROUP SCHOLARSHIP CHARACTER REFERENCE (1)

Appraisers must complete this form. Please return to *Attention: Scholarships, Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham, 2100 First Avenue North, Suite 700, Birmingham, AL 35203*, no later than **March 1, 2012**, in a sealed envelope with the appraiser's signature across the seal. The legibility and thoughtfulness of recommendations are important to the consideration of candidate eligibility.

### PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Appraiser's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Professional Association with Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation of Appraiser (Institution/Agency) \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENT ASSESSMENT: Please rate the student based on the criteria shown below and provide comments concerning the student in each area.**

<b>CRITERIA</b>	<b>RATING</b> NA=NOT AVAILABLE 1=BELOW AVERAGE 2=AVERAGE 3=GOOD 4=EXCEPTIONAL	<b>COMMENTS</b> <i>SPECIFIC REMARKS WILL HELP THE COMMITTEE BETTER RATE THE APPLICANT</i>
<b>Intellect</b> Analytical Powers Critical Thinking Reasoning Ability		_____ _____ _____
<b>Communications Skills</b> Oral Written		_____ _____ _____
<b>Motivation</b> Persistence Self-Discipline Achieves Goals		_____ _____ _____
<b>Judgment &amp; Maturity</b> Conscientiousness Common Sense		_____ _____ _____
<b>Leadership Ability</b>		_____ _____ _____
<b>Organizational Skills</b>		_____ _____ _____
<b>Creativity</b> Originality Imagination		_____ _____ _____
<b>Personal Attributes</b> Ability to Relate to Others Sensitivity Integrity		_____ _____ _____

\_\_\_\_\_  
Appraiser's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# ENVIRONMENTAL LITIGATION GROUP SCHOLARSHIP CHARACTER REFERENCE (2)

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Appraiser's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date