



COMMUNITY FOUNDATION  
OF GREATER BIRMINGHAM

## 2012 Community Foundation College Scholarship

**Amount of scholarship:** \$1,500 per year, renewable for up to four years as long as 3.0 GPA is maintained. Scholarship will be paid directly to the college.

### Applicant criteria:

- Be a student at a high school in the Birmingham City public school system
- Graduate in spring of 2012 and plan to attend college
- Be a citizen of the United States of America and a resident of the State of Alabama
- Maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA throughout high school
- Have a minimum of 21 on ACT

### Applicant must:

- Complete attached application
- Have transcripts sent (**in separate sealed envelope**) by student's high school.
- Type a 150-300 word essay 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.
- Send a copy of parent's most recent Federal Income Tax Return with application.  
A 2011 Return is preferred but if you are unable to submit it, attach your 2010 documents along with your 2011 W-2 and a signed statement indicating how your financial position compares to / is different from the prior year. **If parent/guardian does not file income tax, please explain in writing.** *Note: Financial need is a criteria for selection but not as defined by Federal guidelines.*
- Submit two (2) character reference forms (**in separate sealed envelope**) from adults other than relatives (preferably from teachers and employers)

### Mail your application to:

Attention: Scholarships  
Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham  
2100 First Avenue North, Suite 700, Birmingham, AL 35203

**DEADLINE:** The application and support materials must be **received** in the Community Foundation's office **or postmarked by Wednesday, February 1, 2012**. The **office closes at 4:30 pm CST**. **Late and/or incomplete applications will not be considered**. Scholarship decisions will be announced in April of 2012.

**For more information:** Contact your high school guidance counselor.

This scholarship is funded by the Community Foundation Scholarship Fund, I Have a Dream Foundation Fund, Herman E. & Eva E. Sellers Helping Hand Fund and the Bessie Estell Fund of the Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham.



# COMMUNITY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP 2012 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 Number \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent(s) or guardian with whom you live \_\_\_\_\_

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

Are both your parents living? :  Yes  No

What college(s), if any, did they attend? \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Siblings: \_\_\_\_\_ List name, age and if attending college.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Attend College:  Yes  No

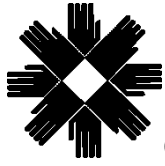
Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Attend College:  Yes  No

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II. Name of your High School \_\_\_\_\_

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

City State Zip  
Senior Counselor's Name \_\_\_\_\_ School Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_



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

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: \_\_\_\_\_

Choice of College for the Scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

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)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Honors and Activities in high school: (Attach a separate sheet of paper if needed)**

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



**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**

Do your parents own their own home? \_\_\_\_\_

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 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 applied for other scholarship aid including Federal aid? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please list: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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Have you been granted scholarship aid? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, explain \_\_\_\_\_

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List any full or part-time jobs you currently have or have had.

Employer	Dates	Hrs/week	Salary/Wage
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*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 to be used in promotional material.*

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Signature of Applicant	Date
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Signature of Parent/Guardian	Date
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**\*\*\*\*\*BOTH APPLICANT AND PARENT/GUARDIAN MUST SIGN APPLICATION\*\*\*\*\***

**ALL INFORMATION WILL BE CONSIDERED CONFIDENTIAL**

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Koko McCall, Scholarship Manager: (205) 327-3809  
MAIN: 327-3800 FAX: 328-6576

# COMMUNITY FOUNDATION 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 **February 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> <small>NA=NOT AVAILABLE 1=BELOW AVERAGE 2=AVERAGE 3=GOOD 4=EXCEPTIONAL</small>	<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

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

Date \_\_\_\_\_