girl scouts of eastern pennsylvania

A Scholarship and Award Guide for Girl Scout Seniors and Ambassadors

Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania is pleased to provide Girl Scout Seniors and Ambassadors with a guide to available scholarship money to enhance or further their education.

THE GSEP SCHOLARSHIP AND AWARD GUIDE IS DIVIDED INTO THREE SECTIONS

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2. **University and College Girl Scout Gold Award Scholarships** A girl who wants to fund her college education will find dozens of academic scholarships from colleges and universities located across the United States.

3. **Community, State and National Scholarships/Grants** A girl who wants to fund her college education will find dozens of academic scholarships from local, state, and national organizations and corporations. A girl who wants to make her community a better place will find several awards/grants from local, state, and national organizations and corporations.

A few of the Scholarships and awards marked with an asterisk (*) are available to girls younger than 9th grade.

GIRL SCOUTS OF EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA SCHOLARSHIPS

All applications and letters of reference MUST be received by any submitted to a Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania Service Center by 5:00 p.m. on January 15, 2011. To ensure that the selection process is fair, applications will not be accepted after this time. No faxes will be accepted. Incomplete applications will not be considered. **Forms are available on line online at www.gsep.org/Events&Programs/GirlScouts.**

If you have questions regarding the scholarships provided by Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania, please contact Joan Hannahoe, Older Girl Program Manager, at 610.791.2411, ext. 1509, or at jhannahoe@gsep.org.

Please note that the scholarships in this guidebook represent only some of the awards/grants that are available to high school students. For a more concise listing, visit the web site of http://www.scholarships4students.com/scholarships_for_high_school_students.htm.

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For a more comprehensive list of scholarships, go to: http://www.Scholarships4Students.com/scholarships_for_high_school_students.htm.

Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania Awards and Scholarships

All applications and letters of reference MUST be received by any GSEP Service Center by 5:00 p.m. on January 15, 2011. To ensure that the selection process is fair, applications will not be accepted after this time. No faxes will be accepted. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Awards will be given out at the GSEP Girl Scout Achievement Ceremony in June 2011. For more information, please call Joan Hannahoe, Program Manager, at 610.791.2411, ext.1509, or email jhannahoe@gsep.org. Forms are available on line at www.gsep.org/Events&Programs/GirlScouts

Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania is pleased to announce the 2011 Awards and Scholarships available to Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors throughout the council. Each award listed below has different criteria, requirements, and application processes. Please read the enclosed materials carefully and consider the Girl Scouts in your lives who you think would qualify for any of the following awards. All nominees must be currently registered girls in Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania.

Dorsett and GSEP Graduating Senior Award
provides funds to one Girl Scout Ambassador who is graduating from high school. Applicant must have earned the Girl Scout Gold Award and demonstrate high academic achievement. Applicant must provide at least two references.

AWARD AMOUNT: $500
DEADLINE: January 15, 2011

Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania Graduating Senior Award
is given to several graduating Girl Scout Ambassadors who demonstrate leadership involvement within the community and is to be utilized for studies beyond the high school level. Applicant should provide three references for consideration.

AWARD AMOUNT: $1,000
DEADLINE: January 15, 2011.

Bartberger, Eshner, Borie and Lehman Awards

is awarded to one Girl Scout Senior or Ambassador from the Hatboro-Horsham Service Unit who feels that her Girl Scout experience has influenced her life. A nomination is required as well as an essay and two letters of recommendation.

AWARD AMOUNT: $200
DEADLINE: January 15, 2011

The Janet and Solomon Eshner Scholarship

provides funds for continuing education to one Girl Scout Ambassador who is graduating from high school. Applicant must provide at least two references.

AWARD AMOUNT: $450
DEADLINE: January 15, 2011

The Judy Borie Scholarship Award

provides funds for continuing education to one Girl Scout Ambassador who is graduating from high school. Applicants should provide at least two references.

AWARD AMOUNT: $1,000
DEADLINE: January 15, 2011

The Kiwanis Scholarship Award

provides funds for continuing education to one Girl Scout Ambassador who is graduating from high school. Applicants should provide at least two references.

AWARD AMOUNT: $1,000
DEADLINE: January 15, 2011

The Margaret Glenn Estey Award

offers an awards to girls who have taken on projects which enhance the motivation, aspiration, and self-esteem of girls under 18. May be nominated by non-Girl Scout adult.

AWARD AMOUNT: $100
DEADLINE: January 15, 2011

The Maurice Seltzer Science and Math Award

recognizes one Girl Scout in 9th through 12th grades working in the fields of science and math while giving community service. A girl must be nominated and have the recommendations of at least two people.

AWARD AMOUNT: $50
DEADLINE: January 15, 2011

The Monae Ragsdale-Mabrey Scholarship

fund is awarded to one graduating Girl Scout who is a model student and gives of herself to family, friends, and those in need. Eligibility requirements: Residence or troop member in the following zip codes: 19082, 19104, 19132, 19138, 19139, 19140, 19141, or 19143.

AWARD AMOUNT: $250
DEADLINE: January 15, 2011

The Muriel E. Lehman Award

honors one 9th through 12th grade Girl Scout Cadette, Senior or Ambassador who has done the most to promote friendship among persons of different ethnic backgrounds. A girl must be nominated by a registered Girl Scout and have the recommendations of at least two Girl Scouts (one peer and one adult) and one non-Girl Scout adult.

AWARD AMOUNT: $200
DEADLINE: January 15, 2011

The Union League of Philadelphia Good Citizenship Award

offers awards for Girl Scouts who are Juniors in high school, and who have shown marked evidence of good citizenship. Nominators should nominate girls using the Union League Nomination Form found on www.gsep.org. Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania will select up to fifteen girls who are currently registered Girl Scouts. Recipients of the award will be honored by the Union League of Philadelphia at a May ceremony. Recipients may apply for college scholarships administered by the Union League in their senior year of high school.

DEADLINE: January 15, 2011

University and College Girl Scout Gold Award Scholarships

Girls who have earned the Girl Scout Gold Award may be eligible for special funding from the college or university they attend. Here is a list of those colleges and universities which provide specific scholarships to girls who earned the Girl Scout Gold Award.

We encourage each girl to contact the colleges and universities for which she applies to ask if they would consider granting a Gold Award Scholarship. Even though the college/university of your choice may not be included in the following list, it is still possible that the college/university would create a Girl Scout Gold Award scholarship for her.

Abilene Christian University
Abilene, Texas
Awards of $1,000 to $5,000 per student per year

Bay Path College
Long Meadow, Massachusetts
Girl Scout Gold Award Scholarship—Award of $1,000 per year for four years

Girl Scout Silver Award Scholarship—Award of $500 per year for four years

Brenau University
Gainsville, Georgia
Award of $1,000 per year for four years

Case Western Reserve University
Cleveland, Ohio
Award of $1,000 per year for four years

Chatham College
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Leadership Scholarship—Award of $2,000 per year for four years

Gold Award Scholarship—Award of $6,000 per year for four years

Cottey College
Nevada, Missouri
Award of $1,000 per year for four years

Delta State University
Clevelend, Mississippi
Award of $150 per year for 4 years

DeVry University
Cleveland, Mississippi
Contact the Scholarship Office for more information

Doane College
Crete, Nebraska
Contact the Admissions Office for more information

Douglass College
New Brunswick, New Jersey
Award of $500 per year for four years

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Daytona Beach, Florida
Award of $1,500 per year for four years

Hofstra University
Hempstead, New York
Award varies

Jacksonville State University
Jacksonville, Alabama
Award varies

Johnson State College
Johnson, Vermont
Award of $500

Lake Erie College
Painesville, Ohio
Award varies

Lebanon Valley College
Annville, PA
Award of $500 per year for four years

Lincoln Memorial University
Harrogate, Tennessee
Contact Administration Office

Lindenwood University
St. Charles, Missouri
Girl Scout Youth of the Year Award—Award of $12,000

Girl Scout Gold Award Scholarship—Award of $6,000

Girl Scout Senior Award—Award of $5,000

Long Island University, C.W. Post Campus
Brookville, New York
Award of $3,000 four year scholarship

Maharishi University of Management
Fairfield, Iowa
Award of $1,500 per year for four years

McDaniel College
Westminster, Maryland
Award of $2,000 per year for four years

Michigan State University College of Engineering
East Lansing, Michigan
Award varies

Mississippi State University
Mississippi State, Mississippi
Award of $1,000

Olivet College
Olivet, Michigan
Award of $2,000 per year for four years

Randolph-Macon College
Lynchburg, Virginia
Award of $2,000 per year for four years

Reed College
Portland, Oregon
Contact the Director of Financial Aid for information

Rensselear Polytechnic Institute
Troy, New York
Award of $20,000 ($4,000 per year)

St. Catherine University
St. Paul, Minnesota
Girl Scout Silver Award Scholarship—Award of $2,000 per year for four years

Girl Scout Gold Award Scholarship—Award of $3,000 per year for four years

St. Thomas Aquinas University
Sparkhill, New York
Awards of up to $2,500/year for four years

Temple University, Ambler Campus
Ambler, Pennsylvania
Award of $2,000

Trinity University
Washington, D.C.
Girl Scout Gold Award Scholarship—Award of $5,000

Girl Scout Silver Award Scholarship— Award of $4,000

Girl Scout Leadership Scholarship—Award of $3,000

University of Alabama at Huntsville
Huntsville, Alabama
Award of $500

University of Louisville
Louisville, Kentucky
Contact the Financial Aid Advisor

University of Montevallo
Montevallo, Alabama
Award varies $300–$500

University of Notre Dame
Notre Dame, Indiana
Contact the Financial Aid Office

University of Tennessee at Martin
Martin, Tennessee
Award of $800 is renewable

Viterbo College
La Crosse, Wisconsin
Award varies

Wesleyan College
Macon, Georgia
Award of $9,000 per year for four years

Whittier College
Whittier, California
Award varies

Wilson College
Chambersburg, Pennsylvania
Award of $1,000 per year for four years

More information can be found on each of the colleges and universities listed below by visiting the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. web site at www.gsusa.org.

Community, State and National Scholarships/Grants

American Indian Scouting Association

The American Indian Relationships Committee of Boy Scouts of America was established in 1956 to advise and assist in reaching a maximum number of American Indian youth and leaders with a quality scouting program. Since 1957, this committee has sponsored an annual seminar, held in a different part of the country each year.

Today the American Indian Girl Scouting/Boy Scouting Seminar attracts American Indian and non-Indian representatives from Girl Scout and Boy Scout Councils across the country.

LEARN MORE AT: http://aisa.scoutreachbsa.org/home.html

American Indian Youth Award *

Any registered member of the Girl Scouts of the USA or the Boy Scouts of America between 12 and 17 years of age, of any race or ethnicity, is eligible to work toward the American Indian Youth Award Certificate.

LEARN MORE AT: http://aisa.scoutreachbsa.org/home.html

Joseph T. Provost Youth Award – Silver Medallion

The Joseph T. Provost Youth Award Silver Medallion is presented nationally to one American Indian girl and boy each year. Youth of American Indian descent who have met the requirements for the American Indian Youth Award certificate and who attend the annual American Indian Girl Scouting/Boy Scouting Seminar are eligible for the Silver Medallion.

LEARN MORE AT: http://aisa.scoutreachbsa.org/home.html

Francis X. Guardipee Grey Wolf Award

The Francis X. Guardipee Grey Wolf Award recognizes adults, American Indian or non-Indian, for distinguished service to American Indian youth.

LEARN MORE AT: http://aisa.scoutreachbsa.org/home.html

American Legion Auxiliary Girl Scout Achievement Award

This $1,000 award is given to a Girl Scout who achieved the following: earned the Gold Award and a religious award, and have demonstrated practical citizenship in the religious institution, school, Girl Scouting, and the community.

DEADLINE: April 1

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.legion-aux.org/scholarships/girlscoutaward/index.aspx

American Legion Auxiliary Girls State Program

American Legion Auxiliary Girls State is a nonpartisan program that teaches young women responsible citizenship and love for God and Country. High school girls who have completed their Junior year spend an intensive week of study, working together as self-governing citizens at Auxiliary-sponsored Girls State programs in every state (with the exception of Hawaii). Participants learn how to participate in the functioning of their state's government in preparation for their future roles as responsible adult citizens.

LEARN MORE AT: www.boysandgirlsstate.org

The American Legion National President's Scholarships

Scholarships are awarded to children of veterans who served in the Armed Forces during the eligibility dates for The American Legion. One $2,500 scholarship, one $2,000 scholarship, and one $1,500 in scholarship money will be awarded in each division. Fifteen outstanding students will be awarded a total of $30,000 to further their higher education. The applicant must complete 50 hours of community service during his/her high school years to be eligible for one of these scholarships.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.legionaux.org/scholarships/girlscoutaward/index.aspx

The American Legion Spirit of Youth Award

One Junior member in each division will receive a scholarship valued at $1,000 per year for four years (total $4,000). The applicant must have held membership in the American Legion Auxiliary for the immediate past three years, currently holding a 2010 membership card, and continue to maintain her membership throughout the four-year scholarship.

DEADLINE: March 1

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.legion-aux.org/scholarships/girlscoutaward/index.aspx

American Liberty Scholarship

We want you to pursue your dream of obtaining a college degree. Whether you are a first time college student or adult returning to school to get a bachelor's, masters, or PhD or technical certification you may qualify for a $5,000 scholarship.

LEARN MORE AT: www.americanlibertyscholarship.com

AXA Achievement Community Scholarship Program

The AXA Achievement Community Scholarship Program brings advice and access to higher education into every community in which AXA has a presence. Every AXA Advisors' branch office nationwide distributes up to twelve $2,000 scholarships to high school seniors who live and attend high school in their area.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.axafoundation.org

Bank of America Student Leader Program

Do you have what is takes to be a Bank of America student leader? If you are a student who has a passion for improving your community, we would like you to turn that passion into action. We are looking for leaders who are high school juniors and seniors in the United States and secondary students in sixth form college of further education in the United Kingdom. As a student leader you will participate in an eight-week paid internship at a nonprofit/charitable organization, and a week-long Student Leadership Summit in Washington, DC to gain valuable civic, social and business leadership skills.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.bankofamerica.com/foundation/index.cfm?template=fdstudentleaders

Best Buy $1 Million in Scholarships

This year the Best Buy Scholarship Program will award 1,000 scholarships of $1,000 each to students in grades 9-12 living in the U.S. or Puerto Rico who plan to enter a full-time undergraduate course of study upon high school graduation. Deadline to apply is February 15th.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.at15.com/contests_scholarships/at15_scholarship

Brower Youth Awards

Each year the Earth Institute honors leaders of student environmental movement with the Brower Youth Award. The national award recognizes six young people for the outstanding activism and achievements in the field of environment and social justice advocacy. Award recipients will receive a $3,000 scholarship and a camping trip in Yosemite National Park.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.broweryouthawards.org/form.php?modin=59

The Caring Institute Scholarship *

The Caring Institute is a nonprofit 501(c) (3) organization founded in 1985 to honor and promote the values of caring, integrity, and public service. Inspired by the example of Mother Teresa, it is believed at the institute that most problems can be solved if human beings truly care for one another. Do you know someone who personifies caring and whose selfless contributions to society deserve recognition? The Caring Institute is now accepting nominations for individuals from 9 to 99 years old.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.caring-institute.org

Change for the Children Grants

DoSomething.org has teamed up with The Jonas Brothers for the Children Foundation to award project grants to individuals who are taking action in their communities across the U.S. and Canada. Do you have a sustainable community action project, program or idea that focuses on: the Special Olympics, Diabetes Awareness, or Volunteerism? While projects that cover any cause are eligible to apply, special focus will be given to the three causes (The Jonas Brothers' causes!). Ten projects will receive $1,500 grants for their projects or organizations.

DEADLINE: July 15
LEARN MORE AT: www.dosomething.org/grants/changeforthechildren

Coca-Cola Scholars Program

High school seniors can apply between August 1 – October 31 for achievement-based college scholarships of $10,000 to $20,000.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.cocacola.com/scholarsprogram

Colgate Youth for America Campaign

Colgate-Palmolive presents cash awards of up to $2,000 for the most creative and best-executed community projects by local units of Girl Scouts of the USA, Boy Scouts of America, Boys & Girls Clubs of America, Camp Fire USA, Girls Incorporated, and National 4-H Council – organizations representing 13 million children across America.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.colgateyouthforamerica.org

Congressional Award

To earn the Congressional Award, participants are required to set goals with their advisors in four areas: voluntary public service, personal development, physical fitness, and exploration/expedition. Upon successfully achieving their goals, participants are awarded the Congressional Award certificate and medal of either bronze, silver or gold by the United States Congress in a public recognition ceremony. The award can be earned by an American between the ages of 14 to 23. Scholarships and internships are also available.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.congressionalaward.org/youth/scholarships

Congressional Youth Leadership Council Programs

CYLC programs such as the Global Young Leaders Conference and the National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine provide your high-achieving students with an experience that amplifies their talents and provides them with the tools for lifelong success, such as effective communication, cultural awareness, critical thinking and conflict resolution. Students have an opportunity to earn college credits and be eligible for scholarships.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.cylc.org/bkfk OR at http://www.congressionalaward.org/youth/scholarships

Corinne Jeannine Schillings Foundation Scholarship

The Foundation awards scholarships to undergraduate women who have attained at least the honor of Silver Award Girl Scout, and who plan to or are currently pursuing a major/minor in foreign language at a four year college/university. The scholarship provides $1,500 per academic year and up to $6,000 over four years. For more information call 815.534.5598.

DEADLINE: March 15, 2011
LEARN MORE AT: http://corinnejeannineschillingsfoundation.org

Disney Friends for Change Grants

Disney's Friends for Change grants encourage kids everywhere to take steps together with their friends to help the planet. Youth Service America (YSA) will award 75 $500 grants to youth-led service initiatives around the world to demonstrate youth leadership and the commitment to making a positive impact on the environment. Eligible applicants will be asked to implement their projects between September and November and to connect their projects to International Coastal Cleanup Day, National Public Lands Day (September 25), or other environmentally-focused days of service.

DEADLINE: July 15

LEARN MORE AT: www.YSA.org/grants/announcements/friendsforchange2010

Do Something Awards to Honor Young Social Change Activists *

Since 1996, Do Something has honored some of America's best young "world-changers' (age 25 and under) with the Do Something Awards (formerly the Brick Awards). Award winners will have identified a problem and have devised clear and measurable methods for addressing the problem; made a significant long-term commitment to improving the lives of others; cultivated long-term and respectful relationships within their community; demonstrated that they have directly and individually fueled the success of their work; extensively and tangibly improved the lives of others (the award is not for ideas); created great awareness about their issues or causes; serve as program founders and/or leading activist/advocates; have a clear growth plan for their work that ensures sustainability and continued impact; and already be recognized as top leaders within their issue or cause.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.dosomething.org

Do Something Get Well Soon Grants

DoSomething.org has teamed up with the Dunkin' Donuts & Baskin-Robbins Community Foundation to award project grants to individuals who are taking action to help children in hospitals. From creating a safe space while elementary and middle school aged kids stay in hospitals, to creating care packages for hospital bound or recovering kids, there are many ways to get involved with or start your own projects.

DEADLINE: August 17

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.dosomething.org/grants/get-well-soon

Do Something Growth Grants

Did you create a sustainable community action project, program or organization that you want to grow? Are you looking for funding to take your already successful project to the next level? We give out a $500 Do Something Growth Grant every week to help young people just like YOU! Do Something Growth Grants are targeted towards projects that are already developed and sustainable. These grants go towards the next steps of your project and organization to help you as you look to expand your project and grow your impact.

DEADLINE: Rolling—apply now!

LEARN MORE AT: www.dosomething.org/grants/growthgrants

Do Something Seed Grants

Do you need money to start a community action project or program? We give out a $500 Do Something Seed Grant every week to help young people just like YOU! Do Something Seed Grants are targeted towards project ideas and programs that are just getting started.

DEADLINES: Rolling- Apply now!

LEARN MORE AT http://www.dosomething.org/grants/seedgrants

Eastern Orthodox Committee on Scouting

The Eastern Orthodox Committee on Scouting offers two scholarships of $500 and $1,000. The candidates are evaluated on their involvement in their church, school, community, scholastic achievement, and Scouting. A Girl Scout must have earned the Gold Award and be an active member of an Eastern Orthodox Church and must have received the Alpha Omega Religious Scout Award.

The Russian Children's Welfare Society, Inc, has funded an additional scholarship for $1,000 for a Scout who is of Russian descent and meets the eligibility requirements.

For more information, contact:
George N. Boulukos
862 Guy Lombardo Avenue
Freeport, NY 11520 at 518-868-4050
http://www.asternorthodoxcommittee.org/scouting

Echoing Green Fellowship

Echoing Green offers 20 fellowships every year to people who wish to start organizations for social change. It requires a full-time (at least 35 hours a week) commitment to your idea. Applications are generally due in December. Up to $90,000 is awarded. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.echoinggreen.org/fellowship/apply

EcoStar Grants

EcoStar Grants are now being offered to local communities where Constellation Energy does business. Organization must be a 501(c) (3) nonprofit, with a Board of Directors. Grant range is up to $5,000 each. The project must be located geographically within an area Constellation Energy does business. Project should fit at least one of five environmental focus areas: Pollution Prevention, Education, Energy Efficiency, Conservation, and Community Activism.

DEADLINE: March 16

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.constellation.com

Elks National Foundation Scholarship

The Elks National Foundation provides more than $3.64 million in college scholarships each year through its three scholarship programs. The application process and deadlines vary for each program. All applications must go through a local Elks Lodge before reaching the Elks National Foundation office. Contact your high school counselor for more information or your local Elks Lodge.

LEARN MORE AT: http://elks.org/enf/scholars/OurScholarships.cfm

Elks National Foundation Emergency Educational Grants

The Emergency Educational Grant program provides financial assistance to children of deceased or totally disabled Elks, who wish to obtain or further their college education. Grants can range up to $4,000. New applications should be filed between July 1 and December 31 and submitted to, and processed by, the Lodge where the Elk parent or stepparent is or was a member. The Lodge or the student may request an Emergency Educational Grant application from the ENF Chicago office by contacting 1.773.755.4732 or scholarship@elks.org

Forest Conservation Award, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Girl Scouts of the U.S.A.—Forest Conservation Award Information

The purpose of this award is to make Girl Scouts more aware of the many tangible and intangible benefits received from our forests and to give them an opportunity to learn more about this valuable natural resource. To qualify for the award, a Girl Scout Cadette, Senior or Ambassador must complete three Interest Project patches.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/forestry/ffp/girl_scouts.aspx

Foundations for Life Program

Foundations for Life, a maxim-based essay and recognition program, conducts a national essay contest each year. The contest invites young people to reflect on famous quotations and express what their foundations for life are. Participation can enhance students' college applications and job resumes and earn potential media recognition.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.FFL-essays.org

Fresh-Films Scholarships and Grants

Samsung Mobile Fresh Films is giving away six scholarships & grants to creative teens nationwide!

DEADLINE: October 6

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.fresh-films.com/scholars.htm

"Get Ur Good On" Grants for Young Volunteers

Miley Cyrus recently partnered with Youth Service America to create Get Ur Good On, a social network that brings together youth to support each other in their mission to do "good" in their communities. Available to children and youth around the world, YSA's Get Ur Good On Grants will award 100 $500 grants to support projects addressing critical community needs such as poverty, education, and environmental sustainability.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.GetUrGoodOn.org

Girls Going Places Entrepreneurship Award Program *

The Guardian Life insurance Company of America will reward the enterprising spirits of girls between the ages of 12 and 18. In 2010, Guardian will award prizes to 15 girls who demonstrate budding entrepreneurship, are taking the first steps toward financial independence, and making a difference in their schools and communities. Prizes totaling $30,000 will be granted to three top winners and twelve finalists to further their entrepreneurial pursuits or save for college.

LEARN MORE AT: www.guardianlife/girlsgoingplaces.com

Girls Helping Girls Fund-for-Respect Program *

Win a College Scholarship by Entering Our Art Contest!

Girls Helping Girls' Fund-for-Respect Program is organizing a "Mirror, Mirror" art contest to empower girls to redefine "real beauty" and widen their perspectives on beauty. Girls aged 11-19 can submit a visual, literature, or video piece responding to the question, "Who is the most beautiful woman to you?"

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.sisters4peace.net/blog/sejal/win-college-scholarship-entering-our-art-contest

Gloria Barron Prize for Young Heroes *

The Gloria Barron Prize for Young Heroes honors outstanding young leaders who have made a significant positive difference to people and our planet. Nominees, who may range in age from 8 to 18 years old, must have been the prime mover of a service activity, and demonstrated positive spirit and high moral purpose in accomplishing their goals. Nominees must be nominated by responsible adults who have solid knowledge of the young person's heroic activities, and who are not related to the nominee. Winners are eligible for a $2,500 scholarship.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.gloriabarronaward.org

GlaxoSmithKline Scholarship

GlaxoSmithKline has established a $1 million college scholarship fund through The Philadelphia Foundation that will provide Philadelphia County residents who have overcome significant adversity with the opportunity to improve their lives through higher education. Applicants must be residents of Philadelphia County for at least one year and who are enrolled in a two-year or four-year undergraduate program at state universities or community colleges in Pennsylvania. Each $5,000 scholarship is renewable for up to four years.

DEADLINE: March 15

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.philafound.org

Graffiti Hurts Grants

Keep America Beautiful presents the opportunity to apply for a grant to help reduce graffiti vandalism in cities across America. The Graffiti Hurts National Grant Program aims to help communities kick-start or add on to a local graffiti prevention program. Grant funds may also be used for a one-time project that has the potential to help reduce graffiti vandalism in the community. Non-profits, neighborhood and community organizations, youth groups, government agencies, and others are all eligible to apply.

DEADLINE: June 1st

LEARN MORE AT: www.graffitihurts.org/grants.jsp

Hispanic Heritage Youth Award

Hispanic Heritage Youth Awards are granted to graduating high school seniors who plan to enroll in higher education and are of Hispanic background. Awards are granted in the following categories: business, education, engineering and mathematics, sports, journalism, and leadership.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.hispanicheritage.org/youth_faq.php

Huggable Heroes Award & Scholarship *

Do you know a young leader between the ages of eight and 18 who is making a difference in his or her community or around the world? Now through February 26, Build-A-Bear Workshop is accepting entries for its seventh annual Huggable Heroes® program, which recognizes everyday young people who go to extraordinary lengths to make life better for others. Ten Huggable Heroes from the United States and Canada will be selected and each will be awarded with a $7,500 educational scholarship and $2,500 in the form of a donation to the 501 (c) (3) charity of his/her choice, as well as a celebration trip to St. Louis in July.

DEADLINE: February 26

LEARN MORE AT http://www.buildabear.com/huggableheroes

International Leadership Network Young Achiever's Program *

This organization encourages nominations of outstanding young people for recognition in its Young Achievers Programs. ILN's mission is to advance leadership education and build self-esteem in tomorrow's leaders. Young Achievers are students in grades 5-10; positive role models for their peers; successful achievers in a variety of areas; and competent scholars with satisfactory records of school attendance. Award winners receive a $1,000 U.S. savings bond. Call 1.800.693.4384 for an application or visit the web site at http://ilnleadnet.com.

DEADLINE: July 15

International Young Eco-Hero Awards *

Action for Nature is an international environmental organization working to encourage young people, ages 8-16, to take personal action to nurture and protect the environment. Cash prizes of up to $500 will be awarded to youth for their outstanding accomplishments in environmental advocacy, environmental health, environmental research, or protection of the natural world. Youth ages 8 to 16 from anywhere in the world may apply.

DEADLINE:February 28

LEARN MORE AT: www.actionfornature.org/eco-hero/ecoheroawards.html

James and Eunice Doty/People to People International/Congressional Award Scholarship

People to People International established the James and Eunice Doty/People to People International/Congressional Award Scholarship Fund in cooperation with the Congressional Award Leadership Commission. At the end of each calendar year, PTPI awards scholarships to four deserving high school students who have earned the Congressional Award (bronze, silver or gold) that year. If you are interested in additional information, please contact PTPI World Headquarters at 1.816.531.4701.

DEADLINE: October 15

LEARN MORE AT http://www.congressionalaward.org/partners/ptpischolar.php

Jif Most Creative Peanut Butter Sandwich Contest *

This might be a fun thing to do with the girls. Give them all kinds of ingredients then let them create! The eighth annual Jif Most Creative Peanut Butter Sandwich Contest seeks creative child cooks ages 6 to 12. Grand prize is a $25,000 scholarship fund; four runners-up will receive a $2,500 scholarship fund.

Sandwiches will be judged on creativity, nutritional balance, taste, appearance and ease of preparation. Entries may be sent to: Jif Most Creative Peanut Butter Sandwich Contest, Cohn & Wolfe, 292 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10017. For official rules and entry form, visit the web site at http://www.jif.com/promos/contest/default.asp.

Jo-Ann's Fabrics Scholarship Contest

This would be great for any girls who like to sew and/or design clothes. The winners will create a prom garment and an accessory with items purchased at Jo-Ann's. The cash prizes range from $100 to $50,000. Here is the link for the official rules: http://www.joann.com/static/landingpage/prom/Prom2010Rules.pdf

Join the Surge Scholarship

Join the Surge is a national campaign to empower teens to take positive action in their communities. We want to celebrate the work that you're doing in your communities: your volunteer hours, community action projects, or even a project or organization that you started! A $2,000 scholarship will be awarded for higher education.

DEADLINE: September 16

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.dosomething.org/grants/join-the-surge/scholarships

KaBOOM! Play Day Grants

Roll up your sleeves and play! Host a KaBOOM! Play Day, presented by Mott's, in your neighborhood and be part of a national celebration to save play in the lives of children. A Play Day is your chance to gather at your community's favorite park or playground for fun games and service projects that celebrate and improve your play space. If you include an improvement project at your Play Day you could win a $10,000 grant to further improve your play space. Plan your Play Day to take place on any day during the week of September 18–26.

LEARN MORE AT: http://kaboom.org/playday

The KFC Colonel's Scholars Program

The KFC Colonel's Scholars Program is looking for high school seniors with entrepreneurial drive, strong perseverance, demonstrated financial need, and who want to pursue a college education at an accredited public institution in the state they reside. Students selected for this scholarship are eligible to receive from $5,000 up to $20,000 to complete a bachelor's degree program. Applications will be accepted January 1–February 15.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.kfcscholars.org

Kohl's Kids Who Care Scholarship Program *

Kohl's Kids Who Care Scholars Program plans to award more than $350,000 in scholarships and prizes to recognize the selfless acts of more than 2,000 youth ages 6–18 who are making a difference in their communities. Scholarships range from $1,000–$5,000 toward post-secondary education. Nominations are accepted February 1 through March 15.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www. kohlscorporation.com/CommunityRelations/scholarship/program-information.asp

Lou Henry Hoover Girl Scout Scholarship

Tuition assistance is available to Horticulture or Landscape Architecture students enrolled at Ambler Campus of Temple University who have recently been active in Girl Scouts. Two $1,000 scholarships will be awarded. Questions regarding this scholarship should be directed to Linda Palmarozza in the Department of Landscape Architecture and Horticulture at 1.267.468.8175.

DEADLINE: March 23, 2011

Milton DeLancey Youth Award

The Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors recognizes and rewards the activities of youth groups in Pennsylvania townships of the second class. The award recognizes youth groups who make valuable contributions of a lasting nature to their community. All youth groups (including Girl Scout troops and groups) from elementary through high school are eligible. Submit your application to the president of the county association of township officials by September 15. Contact (717)763-0930 or www.psats.org for more information.

DEADLINE: September 15
LEARN MORE AT: http://www.philafound.org

$5,000 Mountain Dew Scholarships for Community Leaders *

Do Something has teamed up with Mountain Dew Voltage for a nationwide search for the best young leaders, ages 13 and up, and change-makers in America. Starting in February, we will be granting money to groups of friends who are using their energy around any cause to make their community a better place. The scholarship can be used toward higher education.

DEADLINE: December 12th
LEARN MORE AT: http://www.dosomething.org/scholarships.

Peace Child International Be the Change! Programme Grants *

"Be The Change!" is a youth-led sustainable development Action Programme related to the Millennium Development Goals which aims to empower young people around the world to "be the change they want to see in the world." The Be the Change! grants supports young people under age 25 with projects that concentrate on the development of local communities.

DEADLINE: March 31
LEARN MORE AT: http://www.peacechild.org/btc/startown

Pennsylvania Restaurant Association Education Fund

This program provides graduating high school students with the opportunity to further their education in the hospitality/food service industry.

DEADLINE: February 1, 2011
LEARN MORE AT: http://www.parestaurant.org/associations/6449/files/ScholarshipAnnouncement2009.pdf

Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors Award

This award is the same as the Milton DeLancey Youth Award (listed in this guidebook).

Pepsi Refresh Project

The Pepsi Refresh Project will award cash prizes of $1,000 to $50,000 for community projects, which must be measurable and leave a positive impact. The awards are distributed each month and up to 1,000 applications can be submitted each month. The registration deadline for each month is the 13th. The project ideas are voted on by public feedback. This is a great funding source for a Gold Award project.

LEARN MORE AT http://www.refresheverything.com

President's Environmental Youth Award *

The President's Environmental Youth Awards recognizes young people across America for projects that demonstrate their commitment to the environment. The program has two components. In the first, youth K-12 receive a certificate signed by the President of the United States in recognition of their work. For more competitive projects, that need to meet a list of criteria, a winner and sponsor from each EPA region wins a trip to Washington, D.C.

DEADLINE: October 31st
LEARN MORE AT: http://www.epa.gov/peya

Presidential Freedom Scholarship

This award is available to high school juniors who attend a public, private, charter, or parochial school located within one of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, an Indian tribe, a U.S. territory, or a Department of Defense school. You must plan to attend an institution of higher education in the U.S. and be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident. You must also contribute at least 100 hours of service within the 12 months prior to certifying and be nominated by your high school to be eligible for the $1,000 award.

DEADLINE: July 1
LEARN MORE AT: http://www.cns.gov/scholarships/aboutprogram

The President's Volunteer Service Award *

The President's Council created the President's Volunteer Service Award program as a way to thank and honor Americans who, by their demonstrated commitment and example, inspire others to engage in volunteer service. Recognizing and honoring volunteers sets a standard for service, encourages a sustained commitment to civic participation, and inspires others to make service a central part of their lives. Children, ages 5-17, and adults are eligible for the award. Contact Shawnna DiFillippo at the GSEP office, sdifillippo@gsep.org for more information.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.presidentialserviceawards.gov

Project Ignition Grants

Applications for $2,000 grants are now available online for high school students and adults interested in addressing teen driver safety through service-learning initiatives. State Farm and the National Youth Leadership Council are proud to continue their collaboration on Project Ignition in this seventh year.

DEADLINE: November 15
LEARN MORE AT: http://www.sfprojectignition.com

Project Orange Thumb Grants

Project Orange Thumb® is a grant program that provides community garden groups with the tools and materials they need to reach their goals for neighborhood beautification and horticulture education. Community garden groups, as well as schools, youth groups, community centers, camps, clubs, treatment facilities, etc. are encouraged to apply. Grant recipients receive: up to $1,000 in Fiskars® Garden Tools; Project Orange Thumb® t-shirts; and up to $1,000 for other materials such as plants, seeds, mulch, etc.

DEADLINE: February 19th
LEARN MORE AT: www.fiskars.com/content/garden_en_us/Garden/ProjectOrangeThumb/grantprogram

Prudential Spirit of Community Awards *

The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards honors young people in grades 5-12 for outstanding volunteer service to their communities. Applications must be certified by a participating school or organization to be eligible. Call 888-450-9961 for more information.

DEADLINE: is October 31st
LEARN MORE AT: http://www.spirit@prudential.com

Rising Stars Scholarship for Girl Scouts

The Rising Stars Foundation and the Girl Scouts share a common agenda: for girls to learn and love math. Together we are working to acknowledge outstanding performance and potential in math and sciences by Girl Scouts, by awarding four scholarships and six runner-up prizes each year. The top four applicants will receive $2,500 per year up to a maximum of $10,000 towards tuition.

DEADLINE: August 31
LEARN MORE AT: http://www.risingstarsfoundation.org

Ronald McDonald House Charities Scholarship

The Ronald McDonald House Scholarship Program includes:

- RMHC Scholars for high school seniors of all backgrounds
- RMHC/Future Achievers for African American high school seniors
- RMHC/Hacer for Latino high school seniors
- RMHC/Asia for high school seniors of Asian/Pacific heritage

Each scholarship program will offer 15 scholarships: two (2) at $5,000 and thirteen (13) at $1,000. All college bound high school seniors in Southeastern Pennsylvania, Southern New Jersey and Delaware are eligible to receive a RMHC scholarship. Students may only apply for one of the four scholarships listed above. Applications are available at www.rmhc.org or call the RHMC education hotline at 1.215.790.4320.

DEADLINE: February 16th

Sodexo Foundation STOP Hunger Scholarships

The Sodexo Foundation STOP Hunger Scholarship program was created to support the education of young people who are working to end hunger in communities across the country - and to draw attention to the innovative and effective solutions that they are implementing toward ending hunger in their lifetime. Awards range from $1,000 to $5,000.

DEADLINE: February 26
LEARN MORE AT: http://www.SodexoFoundation.org

Soroptomist Violet Richardson Award

The Violet Richardson Award is given to young women between the ages of 14-17 whose volunteer activities make the community and world a better place. Volunteer projects can include, but are not limited to, projects that address social problems such as homelessness, violence, drug abuse, unemployment, illiteracy, discrimination, AIDS, and pollution. Projects that benefit women or girls are especially valued.

DEADLINE: December 1
LEARN MORE AT: http://wwwsoroptomistncr.org/vra.htm

Staples Youth Social Entrepreneurship Competition *

If you've ever been told, "You're inspirational!" or you are a young leader who's creating positive change in the world, we'd love to hear your story. Youth between the ages of 12 and 24 who operate a youth-led social venture and are able to demonstrate the impact on their community are eligible to apply.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.genv.net/en-us/staples-yse/rules

Subaru Healthy Sprouts Award *

The Subaru Healthy Sprouts Award recognizes and supports youth gardening programs focused on teaching about our environment, nutrition and hunger issues in the United States. Through winning programs, youth will learn the skills necessary to maintain a healthy lifestyle compatible with environmental stewardship and gain an understanding of how their actions can positively impact the well being of their community.

To be eligible for the 2010 Healthy Sprouts Awards, your school or organization must plan to garden in 2011 with at least 15 children between the ages of 3 and 18.

DEADELINE: October 1, 2010
LEARN MORE AT: http://www.kidsgardening.org/grants/healthysprouts.asp

Sue Wiseman Scholarship

The Sue Wiseman Scholarship of $1,000 is available to Pennsylvania students between the ages of 16 and 21 who have shown outstanding commitment and dedication to the environment. You must have initiated and carried out a project that addresses: littering, illegal dumping, recycling, proper disposable, beautification or education related to these topics in order to be considered for this award. Selection will be based on leadership, initiative, self-motivation, and commitment to the environment

DEADLINE: May 1
LEARN MORE AT: http://wwwpacleanways.org

Target Community Giving Programs and All-Around Scholarships

Target retail stores grant an excess of $2 million a week into local towns and communities. For example, their long-running Take Charge of Education (TCOE) initiative annually awards more than 2,100 All-Around Scholarships for college and post high-school education. Scholarships range from $1,000 to $10,000. Applications become available in May and are due in November. To apply, contact Target Community Giving Programs, 1.800.316.6142.

DEADLINE: November 1
LEARN MORE AT: http://target.com/target_group/schools/search_school.jhtml

Teen Works United Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley

The TeenWorks Program is a collaborative effort between organized labor in the Lehigh Valley and the United Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley. The program allocates small grants to teens doing community service projects throughout the Lehigh Valley and Warren County. The project must be designed and implemented by teenagers. This is a good funding source for girls implementing Gold Award projects in the Greater Lehigh Valley. The TeenWorks Program™ will only release funds to an organization that is a not-for-profit corporation. The Fiscal agent will act as a liaison between the TeenWorks Program™ and you.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.unitedwayglv.org.

Voice of Democracy Scholarship

The Voice of Democracy Scholarship program is an audio-essay contest for high school students in grades 9–12 that annually provides more than $3 million in scholarships. Awards range from $1,000 to $30,000 toward higher education. You may call the VFW National Programs office during normal business hours at 1.816.968.1117. For more information, contact VFW National Headquarters or VFW State Headquarters if you can't find a local VFW Post or visit the web site at http://www.vfw.org/index.cfm?fa=cmty.leveld&did=150.

Ways To Help Grants

WaysToHelp.org invites teens in the United States to apply for grants to fund their community service ideas across any one of 16 issue areas. You can apply for a grant, by visiting www.waystohelp.org and for any issue area, selecting "See Ways to Help" followed by "Apply for a Grant".

DEADLINE: ongoing
LEARN MORE AT: http://www.waystohelp.org

Women of Worth Award

L'Oreal sponsors the Women of Worth Award for women 18 years of age and older who are legal residents of the United States or the District of Columbia. L'Oreal Paris will make a $5,000 charitable donation to each Women of Worth Honoree's most cherished charitable cause. L'Oreal will make an additional $5,000 donation in the name of each winner to support Ovarian Cancer Research Fund, L'Oreal Paris primary philanthropy.

LEARN MORE AT: http://womenofworth.org

Young Environmentalist of the Year Award *

Do you know a student who's working to protect the environment through an innovative project, promoting public awareness or otherwise demonstrating concern for Delaware's natural environment? If so, the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) wants to learn about that student. Students in grades K–12 are eligible to apply. For more information, please contact Joanna Wilson in the Office of Public Affairs at joanna.wilson@state.de.us or 302-739-9902.

DEADLINE: June 1

Youth Garden Grants *

National Garden Association awards Youth Garden Grants to schools and community organizations with child-centered garden programs. Youth Garden Grants program has helped more than 1.3 million youngsters reap rewards and vital life lessons from working in gardens and habitats. Applicants must plan to garden with at least 15 children between the ages of 3 and 18 years.

DEADLINE: November 1, 2010
LEARN MORE AT: http://www.kidsgardening.org

Youth Service America

Youth Service America joined the National Education Association to celebrate the 2010 launch of Semester of Service. On Martin Luther King Day, schools across the United States will begin their Semester of Service, a service-learning framework developed by YSA where students apply what they are learning in the classroom to a critical need in the community. Youth participating in a Semester of Service project can apply for a Get Ur Good On grant to support the Global Youth Service Day portion of the project.

LEARN MORE AT: http://www.gysd.org/partners/leadagencies

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