



SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Commemoration Committee

Each year the MLK Commemoration Committee awards multiple scholarships of at least \$1000 based on academic achievement, extra-curricular activities, and civic engagement to members of our community continuing their education. We do this through the generous support of our sponsors and a free-will offering at our annual MLK service.

Originally designated for graduating high school seniors and current college students, the scholarship opportunities have been extended to other community members seeking higher education or skills training as funding permits. This includes graduates of the Carlisle GED program and those recently released from prison, in addition to adults in graduate and post-grad studies.

Applicants should demonstrate adherence to the principles that guided the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., such as an unwavering commitment to non-violence and to policies that promote racial equity and advance racial justice.

To apply, please complete the application form which follows, and gather these supporting documents:

1. A TRANSCRIPT (This may be an unofficial copy)
2. TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION (At least one of them must be from a community leader, employer, mentor, coach, counselor, teacher, or religious leader)
3. AN ORIGINAL ESSAY that explores the life and work of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Essays should demonstrate a thorough understanding of at least one facet of Dr. King's work (e.g. a speech, a sermon, an event, a philosophy) and discuss how Dr. King's work might be applied to improve your own community (however you define this). The length of the essay should be determined by its purpose. In other words, the essay should be long enough to handle the chosen topic thoroughly and meaningfully without including unnecessary material. Essays should be typed and polished.

Submit all materials (completed application form plus supporting documents) to:

The MLK Commemoration Committee, PO Box 888, Carlisle PA 17013 -- or --

Carlisle Area High School English Department Head Teacher, Ms. Keely McGeehan, in person or via email at mcgeehank@carliseschools.org

The deadline to apply for scholarships is June 1.

Funds will begin to be disbursed to the schools of the successful applicants at the start of the upcoming academic year. The scholarship awardees will be recognized at the annual MLK Commemoration Event in January.



**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. COMMEMORATION COMMITTEE
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

Full Name:	Date of Birth:	Pronoun Preferences:
Mailing Address:		
Email Address:	Telephone Number:	
Educational Background (high school, GED, college, etc.):		
School/training program for requested scholarship funds:		
School Mailing Address:		
Please list any awards or honors you have received.		
Describe the school, church or community projects and activities in which you have participated.		
List the paid employment you have had or that you have now.		
Describe your career goals.		
*Questions for applicants age 19 and younger		
*Parent/Guardian's Name:	Highest educational level attained:	
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Signature:	Date:	