



Hattie P. West Community Service Award

Application Criteria and Award Guidelines

Criteria

1. The applicant must be a graduating senior from a public school in Suffolk, Virginia.
2. The applicant must be a student who plans to pursue a college degree, within one year.
3. The applicant must have a minimum grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
4. The applicant must demonstrate or document financial needs.
5. The applicant must demonstrate leadership and community service.
6. The applicant must attend an HBCU.

Guidelines for Submission, Selection, and Award

1. The applicant must submit an official high school transcript.
2. The applicant must submit two letters of recommendation from a high school principal, counselor, teacher, sponsor, minister, or other community leaders. No relative of the applicant may submit a letter of recommendation.
3. Completed application and other required documentation/information must be postmarked by **March 28th**, and mailed, or hand-delivered, to the Chairperson of the Scholarship Committee:

Dr. Sonji Hairston, Chairperson
Scholarship Committee
2003 Brians Lane
Suffolk, Virginia 23434
4. The Scholarship Committee will review all applications; consider recommendations and make final selection(s), solely under the auspices of Suffolk (VA) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated.
5. The award will be given to the awardee, after the committee has received verification from the college or university registrar's office, validating that the student/awardee is enrolled as a full-time student.