



Dear Student:

The Twenty Pearls Heritage Foundation is dedicated to the cultivation of academic excellence and the understanding and respect of all people through education and health. Our mission is to make a positive impact on the community at large by helping individuals, families and organizations to achieve their highest potential by promoting policies and programs that provide options for advanced education, entrepreneurship and a framework for self-sufficiency.

In continuing the tradition of service, we are offering scholarships in the amount of up to \$1,000.00. By offering this award we hope to encourage and reward academic achievement by providing financial assistance to students pursuing higher education.

Applicants must meet the following requirements:

**Eligibility:** An applicant must currently be enrolled at Santa Monica College and transferring to an accredited four-year college or university in the Fall of 2023. Applicant must also have a minimum grade point average of 2.5.

**Application:** An applicant must submit a **typewritten** application accompanied by **an official transcript as well as an essay**. The essay (two, double-spaced, **typewritten** pages) should state your educational goals and career aspirations and any information expressing financial need. The applicant may choose to discuss the Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Communities of Color or any “critical issue” (economics, education, etc.) affecting the status of the African American community and how that issue should be addressed. Additionally, a letter of recommendation is suggested but not required.

**Photograph:** An applicant must submit a photograph of themselves if selected for the scholarship. **Please sign the photograph/video consent form within the application.**

**Deadline:** Applicant must return all material no later than **May 15, 2023**. Applications submitted after May 15, 2023 will not be considered.

**Selection Procedure:** The Education/Scholarship Committee will review each application, and a winner will be notified by July 8, 2023.

**Awards:** **Each recipient will be required to submit proof of full-time enrollment for the Fall of 2023 semester/quarter at a four-year institution.** Proof of enrollment qualifies as a letter or course print-out from the university’s registrar’s office. Scholarship checks will not be issued until proof of enrollment is received.

Please complete all materials and submit them electronically to: [aka.tautauomega.scholarships@gmail.com](mailto:aka.tautauomega.scholarships@gmail.com). Official transcripts must be emailed directly from your school to the aforementioned email address.

**For questions, please contact Breana Baskerville at (323) 861-4808.**

Sincerely,

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