

**Continuing and Returning College Student
2018**

Dear Scholarship Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the National Hook-Up of Black Women, Inc., Joliet Chapter scholarship information. The National Hook-Up of Black Women, Inc., Joliet Chapter is a non-profit 501(c)3 charitable community organization dedicated to improving the lives of families through support of the arts, culture, education, and human service programs. The Joliet Chapter was established in October 1991.

About the National Hook-Up of Black Women Scholarship Program

Each year, NHBW awards scholarships up to \$1,000 to graduating seniors who has maintained good grades throughout college and has participated in community service. The college student must be a full time student, live in Joliet and/or the surrounding cities, towns, of Will County.

Eligibility Criteria:

- ✓ *Be a full time college student at the time of applying for this application.*
- ✓ *Be enrolled in either a two or four year accredited educational institution.*
- ✓ *Be in good academic standing with a GPA of 2.5 or higher.*
- ✓ *Agree to use the scholarship funds awarded only at an accredited institution.*

Application Process:

- ✓ *Eligible applicants must complete all sections of the application.*
- ✓ *A separate sealed official transcript from the college must accompany the application.*
- ✓ *A **3 X 5** color picture of yourself (light background is preferred).*
- ✓ ***Two** typed letters of recommendation one from a school official and one from community leader.*

Essay Format:

- ✓ ***500-word** essay must be typed and doubled spaced.*

Essay Questions: (2)

- ✓ *What community service activity that you've participated in has meant the most to you?*
- ✓ *What made you decide to volunteer where you did?*



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Working together, National Hook-Up of Black Women, Inc., and Silver Cross Healthy Community Commission main goal is to provide a more healthy productive community through education while improving the quality of life.

About Silver Cross Healthy Community Commission Scholarship Program

Since 2008, the Silver Cross Healthy Community Commission Scholarship Program has provided over \$2 million dollars in scholarships and grants to create a stronger, healthier future for the residents of the eastside of Joliet. Like the National Hook-Up of Black Women, Silver Cross Healthy Community Commission awards scholarships to students who demonstrates good grades and community service. However, to qualify for this scholarship, students must live within the zip codes **60432, 60433, 60436, and 60441 (Fairmont School District 86)**.

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