



Sacred Journey Hospice Foundation 2017 Rheda Wanstreet Scholarship Program

Overview of the Program

The Sacred Journey Hospice Foundation Scholarship Program was created to help defray the cost of college expenses and to encourage applicants to pursue a medical career in, but not limited to: nursing, pharmacy, physical therapy, radiology, and/or social work. The Program offers assistance with the costs of tuition and books for scholarship recipients.

Each year, the Foundation potentially awards one Rheda Wanstreet Scholarship of \$1,000. The scholarship is named in memory of Ms. Wanstreet, a longtime hospice volunteer and friend, and recipients should embody her spirit of service to others.

Eligible Applicants

- Accepted into an accredited college and/or university
- A current hospice employee or volunteer; the child, stepchild or grandchild of a current hospice employee or volunteer
- Maintained a GPA of 3.0 or higher in high school (if graduating senior) or in previous semester (if currently enrolled in post-secondary)

Scholarship recipients will be selected in a non-discriminatory manner by the Sacred Journey Hospice Foundation Board.

Obtaining an Application

Applications are available at www.sacredjourneyhospice.org. Completed applications should be emailed to admin@sacredjourneyhospicefoundation.org or be mailed to

Sacred Journey Hospice Foundation
Attn: Scholarship
P. O. Box 789
McDonough, GA 30253

Applications must be received by April 14, 2017 to be considered for the 2017 scholarship award. **All of the following information must be included in the application packet in order to be considered:**

- Completed application (typed or printed legibly)
- Typed essay (no longer than 3 pages)
- A minimum of two personal references. All personal reference letters must be current.
- A minimum of two professional or education reference (may not be a family member). All professional or education reference letters must be current.
- Current transcript

Application packets that do not include ALL of the items above will NOT be considered.

Awarding of Scholarships

Scholarships winners are announced in April or May and are notified by mail or email. The scholarship is valid towards tuition and books for the upcoming school year. The scholarship payment will be made directly to the recipient's educational institution.

Applicants may re-apply for the scholarship every year.

Contractual/Repayment Obligations

- All scholarship recipients should maintain a GPA of 3.0 or higher for the scholarship year.
- The Sacred Journey Hospice Foundation Board of Directors may cancel any scholarship deemed sufficient by the Board.
- There is no obligation to repay this scholarship.



**Sacred Journey Hospice Foundation
2017 Rheda Wanstreet Scholarship Application**

Full Name: _____ **E-mail** _____

Date of Birth ___/___/___ **SS #** _____ **Prior Recipient?** Yes / No

Home Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____ **Alt. Phone:** (_____) _____

High School

Currently Enrolled? ___Yes ___No

Name: _____ **Cumulative GPA:** _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

School Phone: (_____) _____ **Graduation Date:** _____

College/University

Currently Enrolled? ___Yes ___No

Name: _____ **Cumulative GPA:** _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

School Phone: (_____) _____ **Graduation Date:** _____

Honors/Awards:

Extracurricular Activities:

Community Service Activities:

I certify the information provided to be true & to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant

____/____/____
Date Completed



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All applicants must provide a typed essay (no longer than 3 pages) which includes the following information. Attach essay to application.

1. Describe why you would be an excellent recipient of the SJHF scholarship.
2. What are your educational and career goals, and how will your current studies help you accomplish those goals?
3. Describe how you have demonstrated leadership ability both in and out of school.
4. If applicable, why are you pursuing a career in the medical profession?
5. What life experiences have shaped who you are today and what challenges have you overcome in achieving your education (i.e. financial, personal, medical, etc.)?
6. How do you “embody the spirit of service to others” – a character trait of Ms. Wanstreet?



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2017 Rheda Wanstreet Scholarship Reference Request

Name of Student Applicant: _____

The Sacred Journey Hospice Foundation Scholarship was established to further the education of students pursuing a career in healthcare related careers (not a requirement for scholarship). The above named student listed you as a reference. Please provide a brief letter addressing the following:

1. How do you know the applicant (professionally, personally, academically) and for how long?
2. How would you describe the applicant's commitment to the furthering of his/her education?
3. Why would you recommend the applicant for this scholarship?

Letters of reference should be returned to the applicant in sealed envelope or emailed to admin@sacredjourneyhospicefoundation.org (included the applicants name on all emailed letters). The deadline for applicants to submit application packets, including all reference letters, is April 14, 2017. Application packets without reference letters will be deemed incomplete and ineligible for consideration.

Thank you for your support of this student and the furthering of his/her education.