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**EDUCATION ADVANCEMENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
2016/2017 APPLICATION**

The Education Advancement Scholarship Program is sponsored by the Fresno Housing Authority and the Fresno Housing Education Corps. This scholarship program is designated to benefit undergraduate students who live in assisted housing programs of the Fresno Housing Authority who want to complete their higher education. The scholarship will be offered in increments depending on eligibility criteria, number of applicants, and the educational institution. The scholarship award will be in two equal payments in the fall and spring semesters. If the recipient is also awarded other financial aid, it may be necessary to reduce the amount of the scholarship in order to preserve the student's eligibility for state and/or federal grant financial aid.

Eligibility Criteria for Scholarship Applicants

Scholarship applicants must need each of the following requirements:

1. You must be a resident of Assisted Housing or Low-Income Public Housing of the Fresno Housing Authority during the fall and spring semester of the 2016/2017 academic year;
2. You must be a graduate from a high school or earned a G.E.D.;
3. You must maintain a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.5;
4. You must be enrolled in a state accredited junior college, community college, state college, or any other accredited institution of higher education in the fall 2016 and spring 2017 term on a **full-time** basis.

Family Self-Sufficiency Participants

If you are participating in the Family Self-Sufficiency Program and are not a full-time student, you may be eligible by:

1. Attending college on a **part-time** basis (enrolled in two classes or more or carrying at least 6-units) while participating in the Family Self-Sufficiency Program.

Application Process

Applicants must submit a completed Education Advancement Scholarship Program application, along with an unopened and sealed official transcript of their official high school/G.E.D. or an official transcript(s) of any college work completed through the spring of 2016 term. **A personal statement must also be attached to the completed application.**

The application **deadline** for the Education Advancement Scholarship Program is **July 15, 2016 by 5pm**. Interested students should contact the Fresno Housing Authority for application forms or visit our website at www.fresnohousingedcorps.org

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APPLICATION MATERIAL CHECKLIST

1. 2016/2017 Fully completed and signed application
 2. Proof of full-time registration for fall 2016 semester.
 3. Personal statement – A one or two-page typed personal statement in which you address the following:
 - a. Topic: “I am the best recipient for the Education Advancement Scholarship because...”
 - b. Achievements
 - c. Academic potential
 - d. Career goals
 - e. Any other information relevant to this application
 4. Academic Transcript – Provide an original, unopened, and sealed high school transcript if you are applying as an incoming freshman or an unopened and sealed copy of your official transcript(s) of any college work completed through the spring 2016 term, if you are applying as a continuing college student.
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APPLICATION AND MATERIALS DUE DATE – July 15, 2016 by 5:00PM

SEND COMPLETED APPLICATION AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTS TO:

Education Advancement Scholarship Committee
Fresno Housing Authority
ATTN: Fresno Housing Education Corps
P.O. Box 11985
Fresno, CA 93776

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GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Campus you will attend in the fall of 2016: _____

2. I am applying as (check one):
 - a. A student entering college for the first time
 - b. A returning college student in Fresno County
 - c. A transfer student having previously attended college in another county

PERSONAL INFORMATION

3. Name: _____
Last First Middle

4. Address while at school: _____
Street City Zip Code

5. Permanent address: _____
Street City Zip Code

6. Email Address: _____

7. Telephone: (____) _____ Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____

8. Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Gender: Male Female

9. Ethnicity: (optional: this information is used for statistical purposes only)
 White African-American Asian/Pacific Islander
 Hispanic American Indian/Alaskan Native

VERIFICATION OF HOUSING ASSISTANCE

10. Are you participating in the Family Self-Sufficiency Program (FSS): Yes No

11. Are you currently receiving housing assistance: Yes No
If yes, which program are you receiving assistance:
 Low Income Public Housing Section 8 - Housing Choice Voucher

12. If you are not the Head of the Household, under what name and social security are you listed in the family composition?
 Spouse's Name: _____ SSN: _____
 Father's Name: _____ SSN: _____
 Mother's Name: _____ SSN: _____
 Other: _____ SSN: _____

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

13. Name of high school attended: _____

City/State: _____

Date of Graduation: _____

Grade Point Average (GPA): _____

14. Are you a transfer student: Yes No

If you indicated yes, please state previous college attended and grade point average:

Name of College: _____

Number of units completed: _____

Grade Point Average (GPA): _____

2016/2017 EDUCATIONAL PLANS

15. Number of units for which you will enroll in the fall 2016 term: _____

16. Number of units previously completed: _____

17. Expected/declared major: _____

18. Anticipated career goal: _____

CERTIFICATION

All of the above information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I hereby give the Education Advancement Scholarship Program permission to share this information for the purpose of recruitment and public relations. I further certify that I will be enrolled as a college student for the 2016/2017 academic year, and will use the Education Advancement Scholarship Program award toward expenses related to the attendance of a college education.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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