

BHL MINISTRIES INC.

2016 Scholarship Program

Guidelines

BHL Ministries Inc., one of the charitable arms of Because He Lives LLC, announces the 2016 **BHL Ministries Inc. Scholarship Awards Program.**

Valdosta High School Seniors: *The Minnie A. Martin (\$1,000.00) Academic Scholarship Award is available for a high school senior that is in good standing academically, displays extraordinary leadership abilities and serves their community.*

Program Guidelines & Priorities:

* Seeking graduating senior with a record of volunteerism in the community in non-school sponsored activities and participation in extracurricular school activities.

* Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.0, a total family annual income under \$ 90,000, and plan to attend a 2 or 4 year college or technical school and must be active participant in good standing with the Valdosta High Schools.

* Applicants must have the endorsement of their Guidance Counselor or Administrator on their application attesting they are a qualified fit for this scholarship program. **BHL Ministries Inc. strongly suggests that the high school present this opportunity to the strongest applicants that match this program's guidelines.** Application deadline is **April 8, 2016 by 4:00 p.m. Must be received by this deadline.** Late applications are not accepted.

Recipient Only *Scholarship funds will be paid **in August-September 2016, first semester of the student's first year directly to the post-secondary institution** and not to the student. It will be the student's responsibility to submit to BHL Ministries Inc. an invoice for first semester tuition and fees, student ID number, college information and final high school transcript. **Should there be a High Scholarship Banquet; **the student will receive a letter of intent from BHL Ministries as it may be given to the recipient during the High School Scholarship Award Ceremony.** In order to finalize the processing of the scholarship award, the recipient will be responsible for mailing the required information by **July 8, 2016.**

Mail one copy of a completed typed application package to:
(This includes application with signoff by Guidance Department, essay, resume, and school transcript.)

BHL Ministries Inc. Scholarship Committee
c/ o B. Jennings
6420 Double Eagle Drive Unit 711
Woodridge, IL 60517

The applications will be reviewed and recipient selected by a committee consisting of volunteers from local communities. The scholarships will be awarded at the scholarship banquet that will be held on July 16, 2016.

Please submit any questions to: www.bhlministries@hotmail.com

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2016

Please type your answers.			
1.	Last Name:	First Name:	
2.	Mailing Address Street: City: State: Zip:		
3.	Daytime Telephone Number: () Email Address:		
4.	Date of Birth: Month Day Year	Gender:	
5.	Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ (On a 4.0 scale) <small>Attach proof of GPA. Your most recent school transcript is required.</small>		
6.	Are you the first person in your family to go to college: YES ___ NO _____		
7.	Name and location of High School attending:		
8.	<p>(If your resume or activities sheet answers question 8, please attach and skip to Question 9.)</p> <p>A. List any academic honors, awards and membership activities while in high school:</p> <p>B. List your hobbies, outside interests, extracurricular activities and school related volunteer activities:</p> <p>C. List your non-school sponsored volunteer activities in the community:</p> <p>D. List the number of years with the varsity basketball program:</p>		
9.	<p>A. If you have decided on what college you will attend, please list school name:</p> <p>B. If not, list your top 3 college choices:</p>		
10.	<p>List Family Gross Annual Income from your 2014 Income Tax Form 1040 Line #22: \$</p> <p><small>(If selected, recipients may be asked to verify annual household income is under \$75,000 by supplying pg. 1 of their 2013 IRS Income Tax Form)</small></p>		
11.	<p>Is your <u>parent or legal guardian</u> a volunteer of BHL Ministries Inc.? Yes _____ No _____</p> <p>If your answer is 'yes' please answer blocks A, B, C below. If your answer is 'no' go to item 13.)</p>		
12.	A.	His/her full name:	
	B.	Name of Volunteer:	C.
		Location Volunteering:	

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13.	Name & address of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): (Include address if different than your own listed in Question 2.)		
	Name(s) :		
	Street:		
	City:	State:	Zip:
	Home phone of parents or legal guardians:		Work phone:

14. On a separate sheet please write an essay (400 - 500 words) answering the questions below:

Describe how volunteer or community service has shaped who you are today and what community service has taught you. Also, discuss in your essay how being an athlete has helped you deal with challenges or obstacles that you have overcome in life and how this will help you succeed in college and beyond.

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR STUDENTS

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that if chosen as a scholarship winner my picture may be taken and used to promote the scholarship program. (Winner may waive photo due to unusual or compelling circumstances.)

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to BHL Ministries Inc. scholarship policy, I must be present at any potential awards ceremony, surprise, or reception in June 2016 to receive my scholarship award.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to BHL Ministries Inc. scholarship policy, it is my responsibility to remit the appropriate information for my scholarship to be paid directly to my educational institution for my first semester in August/September 2016.

I hereby understand I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

Signature of scholarship applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT BY GUIDANCE COUNSELOR

I hereby affirm that this application meets the criteria set forth by this scholarship program and that I support this application to BHL Ministries Inc.

Name of Guidance Counselor submitting the application: _____

High School: _____

Contact information (email and phone): _____

Signature of Guidance Counselor: _____ **Date:** _____

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Checklist

- Application
- Essay
- Resume/Activity Sheet
- Guidance Counselor signature
- School Transcript
- Proof of Varsity Standing (Basketball)

MAIL COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE TO:

BHL Ministries Inc. Scholarship Committee

c/o B. Jennings

6420 Double Eagle Drive Unit 711

REMINDER:

The deadline for this application to be received:

April 8, 2016 4:00 p.m. NO EXCEPTIONS!