

**Mt. Baker Community Club**  
**Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship**  
**Application 2017**

### **About the Scholarship**

The Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Fund was started in 1985 by a small group of neighbors in the Mount Baker community and is a sponsored activity of the Mount Baker Community Club. This year, the Fund will award at least 10 scholarships in the amount of \$3,000 or \$5,000 to local high school seniors who plan to attend 2-year or 4-year accredited colleges or universities. Qualified recipients will receive the scholarship for a second year. The goal of this scholarship is to help deserving students achieve the dream of a higher education. We select candidates on the basis of **evidence of financial need, overcoming adversity, academic progress, community service and desire to continue their education.** We consider students who might be overlooked by other, more traditional scholarships. Students from ethnic or racial groups historically underrepresented in higher education are highly encouraged to apply.

Find additional information at <http://www.mountbaker.org/scholarship>.

### **Eligibility**

1. Students must meet the following criteria:

- φ Be a resident of or attend school in one of the following zip codes:  
*98104, 98108, 98118, 98122, 98134, 98144;*
- φ Be a member of a racial or ethnic group that is underrepresented in higher education;
- φ Demonstrate financial need; and
- φ Complete and submit the attached Application Form along with the required supporting documents.

2. **The application must be e-mailed, hand delivered, or postmarked no later than Friday, January 20, 2017.** We will not consider incomplete or late submissions.

All applications and information provided will be kept confidential and will be reviewed only by the Scholarship Committee and its designees. Scholarship recipients will be notified by email or telephone. Scholarships will be awarded at a ceremony at the Mount Baker Community Club on March 24, 2017. Attendance is mandatory.

# Application Form – Due January 20, 2017

**Instructions:** Typed electronic submissions are preferred. Hand-written applications must be neat and legible. Provide all information requested.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City

Zip Code

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Ethnicity/Identity: \_\_\_\_\_ Race \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/ GuardianPhone: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative G.P.A. \_\_\_\_\_

Free & Reduced Lunch?     Washington College Bound Scholar? (if either of these applies to you, please check the box)

## The following documents are required by the due date:

- Completed Application Form
- Current high school transcript
- [Attendance information from the Source or school personnel for the first semester of 2016-17 school year.](#)
- Two letters of recommendation (at least one from a teacher, school counselor, or principal). Applicants may include letters of recommendation from adults who serve on the Scholarship Committee, but also provide two letters from adults *not* serving on the committee. *Recommendations from school personnel should be on official letterhead and include contact information for the writer.*
- Typed Personal Essay  
*The essay should include:*
  - background information about you, including a description of any hardships you have experienced and how you dealt with them;
  - any community service you have performed;
  - school, community, or religious activities you have participated in;
  - your post-high school college and career goals;
  - your college preparation (including any formal college preparation programs you have participated in);
  - any other points you would like the Scholarship Committee to consider; and
  - your name and contact information at the top of **each page** of the essay.*
- Statement of financial need  
Describe your financial need for the scholarship. Include your family's total annual income, the number of people in your family, whether you are eligible for a free or reduced lunch program, and any other circumstances you would like the Scholarship Committee to consider regarding your financial need. You may attach a completed FAFSA/WASFA form instead of a description. Recipients of the scholarship will be asked to provide a FAFSA/WASFA form prior to the disbursement of funds.

Submit Completed Applications to:

**mendoza@sbg-law.com (include your full name and "MLK Application in subject line).**

Please note: the Scholarship Committee prefers that applications and supporting documents be submitted electronically.

By U.S. Mail or hand delivery:

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