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Submit application to:
Bishop Deirdre Parker Jackson, Chairperson
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(334) 303-1398
OR
Dr. Kimberly Buford, Co-chair
kncarr17@gmail.com

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MIDNIGHT, FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 2024.

ELIGIBILITY: Applicant must be a descendant (directly or indirectly) of one or more participants in the United States Public Health Service Study of Untreated Syphilis in the Negro Male at Tuskegee and Macon County, Alabama, 1932-1972. Applicants must have a 3.0 average on a 4.0 scale (**unweighted**). Applicants must have and present, in writing, an expressed need for financial assistance. The scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior or an enrollee in an accredited educational institution, in a two-year or four-year program, or at the graduate level. Applying does not guarantee that the applicant will be selected to receive a scholarship. All criteria must be met. *Incomplete and/or late applications will not be considered.*

Applicant's Name: _____ Classification: _____ High School/College
(Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, or Senior) (Circle One)

Full Address:

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| Street | City | State | Zip Code |
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Phone (Day): _____ Email: _____

College/Institution (*Current or Future Enrollment*): _____

(For high school students, please provide the name of the College/Institution you will attend Fall 2024.)

College/Institution Address: _____

PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING ALONG WITH YOUR APPLICATION:

- Current academic transcript
- Contact information
- Professional headshot. No "selfies" will be accepted. (If "selfies" are submitted, the application will be considered **incomplete**).
- Two (2) letters of support: Letters must be from professionals in your school or community who are not related to you.
- Written Essays responses should be free from spelling and grammatical errors with numbered responses that provide thorough answers to each prompt.
- Signature of one of the following listed below:

Dean or Academic Advisor of the educational institution you are attending, or the Principal or Counselor/Advisor of your high school.

Name: _____ **Position:** _____

Signature: _____

Phone number: _____ **School/College** _____

ESSAY PROMPTS

Instructions: Carefully and thoroughly read each prompt. Please provide detailed and thorough responses. Answer each prompt individually. Also, please ensure that your responses are free of grammatical errors and are clear to read. Grammatical errors will result in a low score. **Incomplete responses will not be considered. Each response must be numbered.**

FORMAT

- Each response should be 12-point font and black text color.
- Margins should be at least 1-inch.
- Responses must be double-spaced.
- Each response should be at least 100 words and no more than 250 words.

1. Identify specifically the name(s) of your ancestor(s) who can be verified as being among the 623 men subjected to the unethical and inhumane United States Public Health Service Study. Be sure to specify, clearly, how you are related to your ancestor(s). What were his/their roles in the Macon County community? What is he/are they most noted for saying or doing? Who told you about him/them? How many children did he/they have and who were they? Were any of them successful? How? (Use specific names and titles in your responses).

2. What have you learned from family members and/or reliable educational sources relating to what happened to your ancestor(s)? Describe the impact this knowledge has had on you, your family, and your community. Go to the Voices For Our Fathers Legacy Foundation website <https://www.voicesforfathers.org/> and explain What Went Wrong with the inhumane United States Public Health Service Study. How has the United States Public Health Service Study of Untreated Syphilis in the Negro Male in Tuskegee and Macon County, Alabama, 1932–1972, impacted biomedical and public health research. If you could write an apology to the victims and their families, what would you say?

3. This scholarship honors the legacies of the 623 male participants in the United States Public Health Service Study of Untreated Syphilis in the Negro Male at Tuskegee and Macon County, Alabama, 1932–1972. Discuss your need for financial assistance. What are your career goals? Where do you see yourself in five years? What will be your contribution to advancing the mission of Voices For Our Fathers Legacy Foundation and ensuring that, upon selection, you carry out our mission in your chosen career field, especially in the field of public health, healthcare, and/or medicine? *Please make sure your goals are S.M.A.R.T. goals: Specific. Measurable. Achievable. Relevant. Time-bound.*

4. Please describe your past or current involvement in your community inclusive of any leadership roles. (Please make sure to explain the different services you performed as an individual in these roles, e.g., civic, faith activities, government, etc.). In what way can you engage your community in learning facts about the United States Public Health Service Study of Untreated Syphilis in the Negro Male in Tuskegee and Macon County, Alabama, 1932–1972, while you are in college? Do not repeat responses from any previous questions.

5. Have you ever served as a peer mentor? If so, please describe your involvement (Identify the groups, organizations, or programs where you mentored. Who did you mentor? For how long did you serve as a mentor? What was the impact of your mentoring skills on the person/people you mentored. In what way can you serve as a mentor in college to help students learn the truth about learning facts about the United States Public Health Service Study of Untreated Syphilis in the Negro Male in Tuskegee and Macon County, Alabama, 1932–1972. Do not repeat responses from any previous questions.

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Scholarship Checklist to Review Your Completed Application before Submitting it to the scholarship committee:

- Name
- Complete Address
- Phone (Day)
- Email
- College/Institution (Current or Future Enrollment)
- School Address
- Current academic transcript
- Professional Photo (No selfies).
- Two (2) letters of support
- Written Essays (**Each response must be a minimum of 100 words and no more than 250 words**).

Note: Use grammar and spell check before submitting responses.

- Signature and contact information for Dean or Academic Advisor of the educational institution you are attending, or the Principal or Counselor/Advisor of your high school.

RETURN YOUR APPLICATION ON OR BEFORE MARCH 15, 2024:

Mail To: Voices For Our Fathers Legacy Foundation or info@voicesforourfathers.org

Attn.: Scholarship Committee PO Box 1001 Wirtz, VA 24184

OR Email To: Bishop Deirdre Parker Jackson deirdre.jackson2024@outlook.com or Dr. Kimberly Buford kncarr17@gmail.com

For additional information or questions before March 15th, please contact Bishop Deirdre Parker Jackson, Scholarship Committee Chair, at deirdre.jackson2024@outlook.com, Dr. Kimberly Buford Co-chair at kncarr17@gmail.com or contact VFOFLF President Mrs. Lillie Head at lilliejhead@gmail.com.

**All award money will be mailed directly to the college/institution where the recipients are enrolled.
Recipients must provide the scholarship committee with the addresses of the colleges/institutions upon receiving their scholarship award letters.