



**2019**

# **SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**“My Life Is Like A Pot Of Gumbo”**

**DEADLINE: COMPLETED APPLICATION AND SUPPORT  
DOCUMENTATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY  
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2018**

THE LOUISIANA TO LOS ANGELES ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (LA LA)  
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PURPOSE OF LA LA

*The primary focus of this organization is to raise educational funds for local youth and to preserve the rich Louisiana Mardi Gras culture. Most members are from Louisiana. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Liners are a part of this organization. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Line is a traditional Mardi Gras dance performed in Louisiana. The "2<sup>nd</sup> Liners" perform on TV and a variety of events including the Los Angeles Black Business Expo, Magic Johnson's Summer Midnight Madness Mardi Gras, the John Paul Getty House, funerals, parties, and parades throughout the year to raise funds for youth scholarships.*

**Website: [www.latola.org](http://www.latola.org)**

*Application requirements and scholarship rules are as follows:*

- STUDENT MUST BE AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN GRADUATING IN 2019 FROM A HIGH SCHOOL WITHIN A SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SCHOOL DISTRICT OR PRIVATE INSTITUTION.
- STUDENT MUST HAVE MAINTAINED A CUMULATIVE HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGE OF AT LEAST 2.5.
- STUDENT MUST PROVIDE PROOF OF ENROLLMENT IN A FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OR JUNIOR COLLEGE WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION.
- APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE A CERTIFIED COPY OF HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPTS.
- **APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE A TYPED ESSAY OF 250-500 WORDS, WRITTEN BY THE STUDENT, CENTERED ON THE TOPIC: " My Life Is Like A Pot Of Gumbo."** THE ESSAY SHOULD ALSO DESCRIBE THE STUDENT'S CAREER GOALS AND HOW A COLLEGE DEGREE WOULD BE USED TO ACHIEVE THOSE GOALS.
- STUDENT MUST PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION OF EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, AWARDS, COMMUNITY SERVICE, AND OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS.
- APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE A LIST OF COLLEGES OR UNIVERSITIES TO WHICH THE STUDENT HAS APPLIED OR INTENDS TO APPLY. PROOF OF SUBSEQUENT ENROLLMENT WILL BE REQUIRED PRIOR TO THE AWARD OF A SCHOLARSHIP.
- TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION MUST ACCOMPANY APPLICATION: ONE FROM A TEACHER OR, OTHER SCHOOL PERSONNEL, AND ONE FROM AN ADULT (NON-RELATIVE) NOT AFFILIATED WITH THE APPLICANT'S SCHOOL.
- **FINALISTS MUST BE AVAILABLE FOR A PERSONAL INTERVIEW.** FINALISTS WILL BE NOTIFIED OF TIME AND LOCATION.
- STUDENT IS ASKED TO PROVIDE A RECENT COLOR PHOTOGRAPH (PREFEREABLY), NO LARGER THAN 5 X 7 AND SUITABLE FOR PUBLICITY PURPOSES.
- SCHOLARSHIP WINNER(S) MUST BE AVAILABLE TO ATTEND AND SPEAK AT THE UPCOMING MARDI GRAS SCHOLARSHIP BALL WHICH WILL BE HELD AT THE DOUBLETREE BY HILTON HOTEL AT 6:00 PM ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2019

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Incomplete and/or late applications will not be considered. For additional information, contact *Kim Collins at (310) 527-1693 or [Queenkim2u@gmail.com](mailto:Queenkim2u@gmail.com).*

*Enclose all required materials and mail to:*

Louisiana to Los Angeles Organizing Committee, Inc.  
c/o Kim Collins, Youth Scholarship Program Chair  
P.O. Box 53962  
Los Angeles, CA 90053

*The Louisiana to Los Angeles Organizing Committee (LA LA) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit membership organization. Contributions to the LA LA Youth Scholarship Fund are greatly appreciated and may be sent to: Louisiana to Los Angeles Organizing Committee, Inc. P.O. Box 561193, Los Angeles, CA 90056, Attn: Youth Scholarship Program.*

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NAME \_\_\_\_\_

First

Middle

Last

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Street

City

State

Zip

HOME TEL (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ CELL TEL (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT (S) OR GUARDIAN (S) \_\_\_\_\_

HIGH SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_ CUM. GPA \_\_\_\_\_ GRAD DATE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

LIST THE 4-YEAR COLLEGES OR UNIVERSITIES TO WHICH YOU HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED OR TO WHICH YOU HAVE APPLIED OR INTEND TO APPLY.

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SUMMARIZE YOUR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS (AWARDS, HONORS, ETC.). Use a separate sheet of paper if necessary.

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LIST EXTRA-CURRICULAR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES IN, WHICH YOU HAVE PARTICIPATED (CLUBS, TEAMS, ETC.).

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LIST COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN, WHICH YOU HAVE PARTICIPATED (CHURCH, COMMUNITY SERVICE, VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES, ETC.).

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LIST HOBBIES AND SPECIAL INTERESTS.

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\*\*\*\*\*USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY\*\*\*\*\*

In addition to the above information, you must provide the following in order for your application to be complete: certified copy of all high school transcripts; two letters of recommendation, one from a teacher or other school personnel and one from an adult (non-relative) that is not affiliated with school activities; and **A TYPED ESSAY OF 250-500 WORDS CENTERED ON THE TOPIC: " MY LIFE IS LIKE A POT OF GUMBO"**. The essay should also describe your career goals, and how a college degree will be used to achieve those goals (use a separate sheet of paper). You must also include a recent black & white (preferred) photograph of yourself no larger than 5 x 7 and suitable for publicity purposes.

MAIL THIS COMPLETED APPLICATION AND REQUIRED ADDITIONAL MATERIALS TO:

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