

## **Herbert and Lula Hortman Scholarship Fund**

### **Funding:**

This scholarship is underwritten with restricted funds donated and/or raised by the Hortman Family. Distributions from restricted funds must be used for purposes consistent with donor intentions and should be the first source of funding to support the Herbert and Lula Hortman Scholarship Fund. If an award is not made, the restricted funds will be retained for the next award period.

### **Number of Awards**

2018: 1 award per calendar year

Future years: TBD

### **Amount**

2018: \$2,500-\$5,000

Future Years: TBD

### **Award Recipient Criteria:**

- Must be a (1) graduating high school senior, or (2) current undergraduate student
- Must have either (1) a minimum high school grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or (2) a minimum undergraduate GPA of 2.5
- Preference will be given to applicants who have either (1) been accepted and committed to attend or transfer to a Historically Black College or University (HBCU) or (2) currently attend a HBCU

### **Application Procedure:**

1. The completed application form
2. An Essay or Recorded Audio Personal Statement
3. Two letters of recommendation referencing the applicant's character, responsibility, citizenship, etc. (Letters of recommendation may be from a teacher, principal, guidance counselor, employer, etc. The letters should not be from a family member)
4. An official high school transcript
5. A Resume

### **Award Selection Criteria:**

25% Scholastic ability

25% Letters of recommendation

25% Involvement in school and community activities

25% Recorded Personal Statement (See Attached Sheet for Personal Statement Information)

# Herbert & Lula Hortman Scholarship Application

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Applicant's Name (Please Print)

Phone Number

Home Mailing Address

City

State

Zip Code

Email Address

Parents/Guardians Name (Please Print)

( ) Cell Phone Number

( ) Home Phone Number

( ) Parent Telephone Number

## SCHOOL INFORMATION (Attach an extra sheet if necessary)

High School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Year Activities (Organizations, athletics, etc.):

Scholastic Achievements (Honor Societies, Scholastic Awards, etc.):

Community Involvement (Please list the years you participated):

School You Will Be Attending in the Fall:

## CURRENT GRADE POINT AVERAGES & TEST SCORES:

Un-weighted (4.0 Scale): \_\_\_\_\_ ACT Score: \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Math: \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Reading:

\_\_\_\_\_ SAT Writing: \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Composite Score: \_\_\_\_\_

# Personal Statement

**Choose one:**

\_\_\_ **Video (5 minutes maximum)**

\_\_\_ **Essay (3 pages maximum)**

The purpose of the Personal Statement is to help us to know you better beyond your scholastic achievements that are shown in your transcript and test scores. Your Personal Statement should address each of the following:

**Academic Accomplishments**

**Academic Challenges**

**Activities** - in school, community, church, etc. Tell how these activities have positively impacted your life

**Family Background** – include parental/household make-up, siblings, parental support, challenges

**Future Goals** – include career goals, employment, college choice, college major, continuing education (graduate/professional schools)

**Life Changes** – drastic changes, both positive and challenging, in your life (i.e. economic hardship, illness/disease, change of address/school, separation and/or divorce)

**Additional Questions to Cover:**

- Describe yourself in 3 words.
- Tell us about a time you made a mistake. How did you address it and what did you learn?
- Why are you the ideal candidate for this scholarship?
- Tell us about a time in your life when you had to overcome an obstacle.
- What are your greatest strengths?
- Who has influenced your life and why?
- Why would you be an excellent recipient of the scholarship?