



**Bel Air Lions Foundation
Community Service Scholarship**

2021-2022 Application

Scholarships \$500 and up

AWARD: The Bel Air Lions Foundation (BALF) will award community service academic scholarships each academic year for deserving students from the Bel Air area to attend higher education. Awards will not be given directly to any student; but rather to the higher education institution. The BALF will adjust the number and amount of awards each year based on funding availability, however the award will be for a minimum of \$500. An applicant is only eligible to receive this award once. This form must be used in its entirety unaltered. **It must be typed.**

ELIGIBILITY: The scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors (graduates) from **any high school in the Bel Air region** who plan to attend an accredited college, university or training program and who plan to continue participation in Community Service. **The majority of community service must have been PERFORMED within the following zip codes: 21014, 21015, 20150, and 21009 (Bel Air, Forest Hill, Abingdon).** Home-schooled students meeting these qualifications are also eligible to apply. The scholarship may be used for tuition, fees, and course-related expenses. Only members of the high school graduating class of 2021 are eligible to apply during this application period.

AWARD CRITERIA: Students will be selected based on demonstrated activities and accomplishments in **local community service**, and their plans to continue serving the community during and after college. Students must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5. Awards will be based on the student's demonstrated community service activities with a focus on local service in the Bel Air community. Academic achievements, work experience and extracurricular pursuits will also be considered. Each applicant who meets the minimum criteria threshold will be required to attend an interview with Foundation representatives, and this interview will factor into the application review process.

A condition of receiving a BALF scholarship will be to attend a BALF meeting to accept the scholarship and discuss with the BALF the student's community service activities and interests.

The awards are intended to constitute qualified scholarships. If tax liability arises, it will be the sole responsibility of the recipient.

The fillable PDF document is available at <https://belairlions.org/services/community-service-scholarship/> Please use the online document to complete and save your application. All applications must be received by 11:59 PM on April 1, 2022 in PDF format submitted to Lion Colleen Murphy, Scholarship Committee Co-Chair, at cmurphy803@aol.com. Should a student be unable to submit an application electronically, the student must make arrangements with the Committee Co-Chair to submit the application in hard copy so that it is received by the application deadline. Mail the application to:

Bel Air Lions Foundation
P.O. Box 35
Bel Air, MD 21014

Please email Colleen Murphy at cmurphy803@aol.com by March 15, 2022 to make such arrangements.

Part I – General Information

Name: _____

School Name: _____

Home _____ Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Part II – Academic Record – School Portion

This section is to be completed by a school official.

High School Enrollment _____

Number of Students in Applicant’s Class _____

Class Rank _____ High School Graduation Date ____/____/____

Cumulative GPA _____ GPA Scale (i.e., 4 point, 6 point, etc.) _____

Are you Home-Schooled? (circle) YES NO

Please Attach Official High School Transcript

Signature of School Official

Date

Affix School Stamp in this Space:

Part II – Academic Record – Student Portion

1) What are your academic interests going forward in college or trade school? Why?

2) What college, university, or technical school do you plan on attending? Why?

Part III – Community Service Activities

1) List your past and current **local** service activities in and out of school and approximate time period:

Activity	Timeframe	# of Hours	Funds Raised	# People Served

2) Describe your interest in **local community service** and your plans for continuing community service throughout your academic and professional endeavors.

3) Briefly described why **local** community service is important to you. What types of community service activities are important to you, and why?

Part IV – Resume

Please attach a resume of your high school activities. Be sure to include community service projects in which you participated as well as jobs, extra-curricular activities, service projects, and honors and awards you have received. Remember that the Lions Club Scholarship is primarily based on Local Community Service.

Part V - Certification

If I am selected as a scholarship recipient, I understand, and agree, and hereby grant permission to the BEL AIR LIONS FOUNDATION (BALF) to use my likeness and name in announcing and promoting this Scholarship program. I understand and agree that the BALF Selection Committee is solely responsible for the selection of the scholarship recipient(s) and its decision is final. I have completed the scholarship application and have attached the required documents. I grant permission to the school I attend to release information concerning my enrollment status and academic standing to the BALF for use in administering this application. I understand that I will be required to attend a meeting of the BALF to accept the scholarship. In submitting this application, I certify that the information is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand and agree that falsification of information could result in the termination of the scholarship.

Student Signature

Date