

MARCELLA GUTHRIE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

11625 Teton Road

Oklahoma City, OK 73162

Dear Pastors and Youth Leaders,

It is time for students to start applying for the Marcella Guthrie Scholarships. This is a letter to inform you that we have revised the application and have added five new awards from last year. If you have any questions please let me know. My e-mail address is lajuan26@cox.net. Or you may call me at 405-210-6059. Thanks and we look forward to receiving applications from your students.

La Juan Lewis

Scholarship Coordinator

Larry Harmon

Scholarship Board Chairman

Marcella Guthrie Scholarship Fund of

Avery Chapel A.M.E. Church

Application Dateline

March 15

Please check the scholarship(s) for which you are applying:

1. Monica Moham Scholarship - \$1,000.00 _____
2. Bettye L. Walton Scholarship - \$1,000.00 _____
3. Bates Sisters Memorial Scholarship - \$1,000.00 _____
4. Donnie Mae Johnson Memorial Scholarship - \$1,000.00 _____
5. Eunice Hunt Jones and Cornelia Walker Roach
Education Scholarship - \$1000.00 _____
6. John "Jack" and Genese Brown-Jones Scholarship - \$1000.00 _____
7. John H. and Lillian Hayes Memorial Scholarship - \$1000.00 _____
8. Need-Based Scholarship - \$750.00 _____
9. At-Large Scholarship - \$500.00 _____

Name _____

(Last)

(First)

(MI)

Address _____

Telephone _____

City and Zip Code _____

Name of High School and Telephone Number _____

Name of Church and Telephone Number _____

Number of Family Household members _____

Last year's Family Household Income: \$0-\$19,999 ___ \$20,000-\$29,000 ___ \$30,000-\$40,000 ___

\$41,000 and above _____

1. List any awards, honors, or special recognition that you have received during your high school years.

Description of the Scholarships

Monica Moham Scholarship - \$1000

The Monica Moham Scholarship is the most prestigious award given to an **African American Student** by the Marcella Guthrie Board. It was established in the memory of Monica Moham, an outstanding Oklahoma State University student, who was tragically killed in her senior year in an automobile accident. "Although Monica is no longer with us, her memory lives on, not only as a source of inspiration for anyone whose life she touched, but as an impetus for us to encourage other African American students to develop the type of qualities that she so constantly portrayed." The Board will also look at the applicant's character, citizenship and credentials.

The Monica Moham Scholarship is a one-time award, payable in \$500 increments during the Fall and Spring semesters.

The applicant must: **have an overall GPA of 3.5 or above**, submit three(3) letters of recommendation (one(1) **must** be from your pastor and two(2) from faculty members), submit a one page autobiographical sketch, send a wallet-size photo, and be present for an interview.

Bettye L. Walton Memorial Scholarship - \$1000

This award was established by the family and friends of Bettye L. Walton an outstanding community leader and activist in the Oklahoma City area. She touched so many people over the years through her thoughtfulness and kindness. She was known as one of the best Culinary Artists around who loved life and offered words of wisdom and encouragement to others.

This award is available only to African American graduating seniors that have either an interest in a Business degree or attending a Vocational School. This award is one-time of \$500 per semester during the Fall and Spring semesters.

The applicant must: **have an overall GPA of 2.5 or above**, submit three(3) letters of recommendation (one(1) **must** be from your pastor and two(2) from faculty members), submit a one page autobiographical sketch, send a wallet-size photo, and be present for an interview.

The Bates Sisters Memorial Scholarship-- \$1,000

This award was established by Shun Walton and other family members. They were community activists who stressed the importance of a good education to all they came into contact with.

This award is available only to graduating high school senior who has an interest in history or foreign studies. This award is one-time of \$500 per semester during the Fall and Spring semesters.

The applicant must have an overall GPA of 2.5 or above, submit 3 letters of recommendation (one(1) **must** be from their pastor and the other two(2) from faculty members), submit a one page autobiographical sketch, send a wallet-size photo, and be present for an interview.

The Donnie Mae Johnson Memorial Scholarship-- \$1,000

This award was established by friends and family of Mrs. Donnie Mae Johnson. A lady with a kind and gentle heart who was a devout Christian. Sister Johnson believed in helping others in her community and no matter the circumstances if you trust in God everything will be alright. She was an active member of her church, Avery Chapel AME Church.

This award is available only to an African American graduating high school senior female who has the desire and interest in studying the Humanities. The applicant must also have a commitment to the betterment of the community. This award is one-time of \$500 per semester during the Fall and Spring semesters.

The applicant must have an overall GPA of 2.5 or above, submit 3 letters of recommendation (one(1) must be from their pastor and the other two(2) from faculty members), submit a one page autobiographical sketch, send a wallet-size photo, and be present for an interview.

The Eunice Hunt Jones and Cornelia Walker Roach Educational Scholarship-- \$1,000

This award was established by Shun Walton and other family members. These ladies were tireless educators who touched several lives in the community by conveying the value of a good education. Some students would not have finished school had it not been for these ladies being a part of their lives.

This award is available only to an African American graduating high school senior who plans to study Elementary or Secondary Education. The applicant must also be involved in extracurricular activities. This award is one-time of \$500 per semester during the Fall and Spring semesters.

The applicant must have an overall GPA of 3.0 or above, submit 3 letters of recommendation (one(1) must be from their pastor and the other two(2) from faculty members), submit a one page autobiographical sketch, send a wallet-size photo, and be present for an interview.

The John H. and Lillian Hayes Memorial Scholarship --\$1,000

This award was established at the request of Brother Hayes. This couple worked together in the community, church(Avery Chapel AME), and both belonged to different houses within the Masonic family. They were married for over 50 years and showed each other love and respect in their everyday walk of life.

This award is available only to an graduating high school senior planning to pursue a course of study in the Healthcare Field at either a university, community college, and/or vocational school. This award is one-time of \$500 per semester during the Fall and Spring semesters.

The applicant must have an overall GPA of 3.0 or above, submit 3 letters of recommendation (one(1) must be from their pastor and the other two(2) from faculty members), submit a one page autobiographical sketch, send a wallet-size photo, and be present for an interview.

The John "Jack" and Genese Brown-Jones Scholarship-- \$1,000

This award was established by the family and friends of the Jones'. Hardwork is good for the soul. This couple not only worked hard for themselves and their families but, showed others hardwork and being steadfast will take you a lot of places in this world.

This award is available only to an African American graduating high school male senior planning to study Engineering. They must also have a proven commitment to the betterment of the community.

This award is one-time of \$500 per semester during the Fall and Spring semesters.

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Need-Based Scholarships - \$750

Need-Based Scholarships are awarded to applicants whose household income does not exceed a certain amount. The \$750 award will be payable in \$375 increments during the Fall and Spring semesters.

Priority will be given to applicants majoring in Business. Additionally, the applicant **must: have an over-all GPA of 2.0 or above, three(3) letters of recommendation (one(1) must be from your pastor and two(2) should be from faculty members), submit a one page autobiographical sketch, send a wallet-size photo, and submit a copy of one's household W-2 form(s) from the previous year.**

At-Large Scholarships - \$500

An **At-Large Scholarship** is a one-time award. The applicant must: **have an overall GPA of 2.0 or above, submit three(3) letters of recommendation (one(1) must be from your pastor and two(2) from faculty members), submit a one page autobiographical sketch, send a wallet-size photo, and be present for an interview.**

An At-Large Scholarship is payable in \$250 increments during the Fall and Spring semesters.

****For all scholarships the applicant must enroll as a full-time undergraduate, (at least 12 hours) or as a full-time junior college student, (at least 12 hours) or as a full time trade school or vocational school student (full-time as determined by the institution's guidelines).**

****An applicant must show proof of school enrollment before the scholarship is awarded.****

Mail the Application(s) to:
The Marcella Guthrie Scholarship Board
11625 Teton Rd
Oklahoma City, OK 73162

Include with your application the following:

- 1. A one page, double spaced type-written autobiographical sketch** which also states how you see yourself ten(10) years from now.
- 2. An official (seven semesters) copy of your high school transcript.**
- 3. Your ACT/SAT score** if it is not listed on your transcript.
- 4. Three(3) letters of recommendation. One (1) of the letters must be from your pastor** indicating you level of involvement in the church.
- 5. A wallet-size photograph of yourself. This photo will not be returned.**
- 6. A copy of your household W-2 form(s), if applying for a Need-Based Scholarship.**

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. La Juan Lewis (405) 210-6059 or e-mail address lajuan26@cox.net.