



Mount Olivet Foundation – Equity Scholarship

The Mount Olivet Foundation is offering an Equity Scholarship (up to \$5,000) toward the cost of post-secondary school education for an African-American or Latino/a high school senior entering college in Fall of 2025, from the following high schools:

- All High School Students in Arlington County, Virginia
 - Alexandria City High School (Alexandria, Virginia)
 - Justice High School (Fairfax County, Virginia)
 - Meridian High School (Falls Church City, Virginia)
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Application Deadline – March 15, 2025

Eligibility. To be eligible, candidates should be African-American or Latino/a, have been accepted at an accredited two- or four-year college, university, or equivalent institution, have a GPA of at least 2.5, and demonstrate financial need due to family circumstances*. In addition, preference will be given to applicants who are the first in their families to attend a post-secondary school.

*The following circumstances will be taken into consideration:

- Single parent household
- Family income below \$60,000 (for family of four)
- Family receives additional benefits (welfare, SNAP, free-reduced school meals)
- Number of people in household being supported by family income

Scholarship. A scholarship of up to \$5,000 towards tuition and academic expenses will be awarded. The scholarship is renewable if the recipient maintains a GPA of at least 2.5, is making substantial progress towards an undergraduate degree, and funds are available.

Application. The form can be completed online at <https://www.mountolivetfoundation.org/equity-scholarship> or using the form on the following pages, providing additional pages as necessary. Email completed application to: mofoundation.contact@gmail.com by March 15, 2025. If you are unable to email the application, please contact us.

Selection. Applicants will be ranked according to financial need, written submissions, leadership potential, and community service. The top five candidates will be interviewed remotely by the Selection Committee in early April 2025 before it makes its recommendation to the Mount Olivet Foundation Board.

Applications Due. Applications are due on or before March 15, 2025. Candidates will be advised of decisions no later than April 30, 2025.

Questions? Email us at: mofoundation.contact@gmail.com. For additional information on the Mount Olivet Foundation, please see our website: <https://www.mountolivetfoundation.org/>



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Applicant Information -- Type into form and add pages as needed to complete the answers.

Name:

Current Address:

Cell Phone:

Do you prefer TEXT or EMAIL ?

Email (type or print clearly):

Writing: Please answer these questions to help us better understand you and your involvement in school and your community. Add additional pages as needed.

Extracurricular Activities - Describe the activities you have been involved in during high school

Leadership Experience - Describe how you have demonstrated leadership during high school (can be in or outside of school)

Are you currently employed? Yes / No
If yes, number of hours worked per week:



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One Essay: (250 - 500 words). Choose one of the topics below:

Option 1: In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus teaches us to "love your neighbor as yourself." This commandment calls us to show compassion and kindness toward others. In your essay, please explore the following: What does loving your neighbor mean to you? Share a personal experience where you demonstrated this love or witnessed it in action.

OR

Option 2: If you were writing your memoir, what would be its main focus? Was there a day, an event, a person, an achievement, that altered the path of your life? For good or for bad?

Higher Education Plans

What is your educational objective?

Educational Institution and Degree:

Degree Program:

Date of Expected Graduation:

Provide name(s) of institution(s) to which you have applied and/or been accepted.

List amounts from any scholarships, grants (including Pell grant), and loans you will receive:



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Family Information
Are your parents college graduates? (Bachelor's degree or higher) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, both parents are college graduates <input type="checkbox"/> One parent graduated <input type="checkbox"/> Neither parents graduated <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
What is your household annual income? <input type="checkbox"/> Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000-\$20,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$20,000-\$30,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$30,000-\$40,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$40,000-\$50,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,000-\$60,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Greater than \$60,000
How many family members are in your household? (Including yourself)

Attach Additional Materials:

Academic Record: Provide a copy of your current mid-year high school transcript.

Demonstration of Financial Need: You must submit a copy of your FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR) or the Virginia Student Aid Form (for undocumented students). Also, understanding that the FAFSA process is delayed this year, you may complete this application and then email the Student Aid Report when you have it. You may also share a screenshot of your "Estimated Student Aid Index" from the FAFSA website if you have not received the official Student Aid Index after FAFSA processing is completed. Either the estimated or official index is required by the March 15 deadline.

Reference – A Letter of Recommendation: Please have a teacher or school counselor provide a letter of recommendation. They may use the same letter as they have provided to a college or you can download the Foundation's recommendation form at <https://www.mountlivetfoundation.org/copy-of-loans-grants> for the teacher/counselor to complete. They should email the recommendation to mofoundation.contact@gmail.com by March 15.

I certify that the facts stated above are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and understand that any false information will lead to disqualification:

Signature of Applicant

Date