

Masonic Emergency Fund of the Grand Lodge of DC

The Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia is the governing body of the Free and Accepted Masons in Washington, DC. Freemasonry and the Freemasons have been a major part of community life in the United States for over two hundred and fifty (250) years. The society is America's largest and oldest fraternity and is predicated on the brotherhood of man under the fatherhood of God. Freemasons seek to promote friendship, morality and brotherly love in their activities. They are bound together by a philosophy of moral standards, mutual understanding, and brotherhood in which all men are on a level and equal. Contribution to the welfare of their brothers, their families, and the larger community, has been a basic value of the fraternity since its inception. The Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, its constituent lodges, and members of the fraternity throughout Washington, DC, generously contribute time and money to several charitable and community service organizations in the nation's capital. The Masonic Emergency Fund of the Grand Lodge of DC was established to provide financial support for books and educational related supplies to students at the University of the District of Columbia

Scholarship Award: The first need-based Masonic Emergency Fund of the Grand Lodge of DC scholarship shall be awarded in fall 2009 to students who qualify under the Federal Application for Free Student Aid (FAFSA) or demonstrate a financial need. A maximum of five (5) one-time \$500 awards for books and educational related supplies shall be made annually. Awardees will be known as "Masonic Scholars."

Eligibility: Students shall be at least second semester freshman with a 2.5 cumulative grade point average and reside in the District of Columbia or the metropolitan area (Montgomery and Prince George's Counties or Arlington, Alexandria and Fairfax, Virginia). Students shall be graduates of the District of Columbia Public Schools or a school located in the metropolitan area. Applicants must intend to enroll part or full-time in a two or four-year undergraduate degree program at the University of the District of Columbia.

Applicants must submit a typewritten double-spaced 250-300 word essay on the following topic:

1. Choose a favorite movie, book, quote or quotation and explain how it personally impacts or impacted your education at the University of the District of Columbia.

Applicants must submit a 250-300 word essay, one (1) letter of recommendation from a person other than a family member who know the applicant well, e.g. a principal, president, dean, chairperson, teacher, professor, counselor, or a community leader. Applications must include official copies of school or college transcripts.

Deadline for
Applications:

Applicants must submit entries to the UDC Foundation Inc., Attn: Ms. Edna M. King, Intelsat Building, 4200 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20008 before *March 1 (if this date falls on a non workday the next business day applies).

