



**PHILADELPHIA LODGE #5  
FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE**

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The Philadelphia Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) Lodge #5 will offer college scholarships in 2017-2018 for the children and grandchildren of active and retired police officers. The *FOP Lodge #5 Scholarships* are intended to provide supplemental funding for the cost of tuition, room and board, or related educational expense for deserving students seeking a college degree. In providing academic funding, the FOP wishes to promote academic achievement, civic responsibility, leadership, and ethical and moral stewardship. Applicants must plan to attend an accredited post-secondary institution (e.g. two or four year college/university), provide some documented service to the community, and be a person in good-standing in the community. Scholarships for this inaugural dispensation of awards total \$10,000, however, the FOP plan to increase the number of scholarships granted in the coming years through fund raising, private donations, and partnering with organizations whose reputation exemplify the qualities we promulgate.

The *FOP Lodge #5 Scholarships* will be awards as followed:

- Two (2) \$2,500 scholarships will be awarded to high schools seniors who demonstrate a combination of academic distinction, community service, leadership, and a desire to add value to the Philadelphia Community. Recipients must have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 or better as of June 2016, be a citizen in good standing (i.e. eligible for federal/state grants, thus, not convicted of a felony), and able to provide necessary documents supporting exceptional commitment to academia and the community.
- Five (5) \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors who demonstrate a combination of academic dexterity, community involvement, and a desire to make a positive public impact. Recipients must have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or better as of June 2016, be a citizen in good standing, and able to provide supporting documents to determine eligibility.

Prospective applicants must follow the prescribed guidelines to be eligible for consideration of the *FOP Lodge #5 Scholarships*:

- Complete application starting September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016. A hard copy will be available on the FOP website ([www.fop5.org](http://www.fop5.org)), and must be filled out and returned by the due date of December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016.
- Sign the Media Release and Consent form. This form gives the FOP promise use the recipient's name in the promotion and dissemination of information about the scholarship, and to list the recipient on the FOP website.

- Submit a One page (single spaced) essay explicating how the college experience (i.e. attending college courses, activities, and graduating with a degree) will enhance your future social and economic opportunities, and thus add value to the Philadelphia Community. Essays should be 500-750 words highlighting academic achievements which have prepared the student for college, community service activities, and examples of the student public behavior which demonstrating high moral character. Essays must be received in FOP headquarters, 11630 Caroline Rd Philadelphia, PA 19154, by December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016 (attention Education Committee).
- Provide supporting documents for evaluation of eligibility. These documents must be official copies of academic transcripts, college acceptance letters, letters from civic leaders in good standing, and other documents which can be easily verified.
- Award recipients will be notified by May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 via email and/or U.S. Postal mail. Additionally, a list of awardees will be posted on the FOP website.

### Privacy Policy

All documents received by the Education Committee, which is the committee responsible for overseeing the FOP College Scholarship application process, evaluating applicant eligibility, determining awardees, and issuing 'letters of awards' will be stored for one calendar year. At the conclusion of the repository period, the document will be destroyed in a manner consistent with best business practices.

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