

2014-2015 Young Latina Leadership Scholarship

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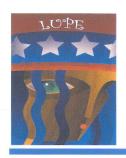
Dear School Counselor:

We are proud to announce that for the fourth year in a row, LUPE Fund, Inc. will award six scholarships to deserving young Latina students. We need your help to distribute the attached application to those students who may qualify for the 2014-2015 LUPE Young Latina Leadership Scholarship. The eligible candidate should be currently enrolled in an accredited college or university as a full-time undergraduate student. Scholarship winners will be announced shortly after the deadline and each deserving student will be invited to receive their award during one of our special events.

Should you need additional information please contact us anytime by emailing lupescholarship@gmail.com. You may also contact one or both of the scholarship cochairs: Sara Peña (862-217-9755) or Diana Calle (908-986-8650). In the meantime, please visit our website for more information about LUPE: www.lupenj.org. Thank you in advance for your support in helping us to identify potential applicants.

Sincerely,

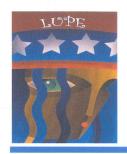
Tveth MosqueraPresident, LUPE Fund, Inc.



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Supporting the next generation of Young Latina Leaders

Application Postmark <u>Deadline</u>: Friday, February 13, 2015



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Dear Applicant:

We are excited that you are applying for a **Young Latina Leadership Scholarship**. Your interest in applying to our scholarship fund indicates that you are focused and determined to positively affect your future through higher education.

One of the goals of LUPE Fund, Inc. is to help Latinas residing in the state of New Jersey to become successful leaders. It strives to unify professionals and goal-oriented young women under an umbrella of mutual help, self-sufficiency and community improvement.

Given the increasing cost of college, many students will not be able to pursue a college education without financial assistance. We encourage you to seek out a variety of financial aid opportunities, including private and institutional scholarships along with federal and state grants.

As you prepare to complete this application, please remember it is a competitive process. There will be <u>six</u> scholarships awarded this year. Four young women will receive a scholarship in the amount of \$1,000. One award is in the amount of \$2,500 for the *Gilda Morales Scholarship* and the final award is in the amount of \$3,000 for the *Zulima V. Farber Leadership Scholarship*. These awards are reserved for a special group of Latinas, whose accomplishments and leadership skills distinguish them.

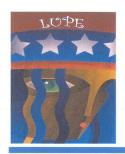
To ensure that your application receives full consideration, we suggest that you carefully read the eligibility requirements and follow the application instructions. We encourage you to also have a colleague proofread your work. Please retain a copy of the application for your records.

We look forward to receiving your application and appreciate your sincere interest in applying to become a Young Latina Leadership Scholarship recipient. The **DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING THIS APPLICATION IS FRIDAY**, **FEBRUARY 13**, **2015**.

Sincerely,

Sara Peña & Diana Calle

Scholarship Committee Chair & Co-Chair



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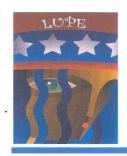
EACH APPLICANT MUST MEET ALL OF THE FOLLOWING ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Scholarship Award Criteria:

- Currently enrolled full-time undergraduate students of an accredited NJ college or university
- Personal Statement: This statement must demonstrate your writing skills, personal strengths & goals, professionalism, financial need, community involvement, and other qualities you think we should know about you. Length of statement must be <u>NO MORE</u> <u>THAN</u> 500 words in English.
- Two Letters of Recommendation: At least one should be from a professor, teacher or a community leader.
- School Transcript: Must be in good academic standing and have a minimum cumulative weighted GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (unofficial transcript is acceptable)
- Essay: No more than 500 words addressing **one** of the essay questions below.

Essay Questions (please choose one):

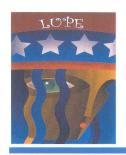
- 1. First, describe how you define leadership. Second, identify a Latina in NJ known to the community (politics, education, business, etc.) who has influenced you and tell why.
- 2. The United States has been facing a crisis caused by the illegal immigration of thousands of unaccompanied children. What recommendations or initiatives would you make to the leaders within your community to assist with this crisis? Please provide a detailed plan or initiative.
- 3. Describe any extracurricular activity and/or any community service project you have participated as an activist or leader within the past 2 years. Tell how it has made a difference in your community.



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APPLICATIONS ARE EVALUATED ON THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA

- Academic Achievement (Including GPA, and past academic performance)
- Letters of Recommendation
- Personal and Essay Statements
- Complete application



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APPLICATION CHECK LIST:

☐ Transcript(s) with cumulative <u>GPA</u> (<i>Unofficial Transcript is acceptable</i>)
☐ Two Letters of Recommendation
☐ Personal Statement
☐ Essay Question
☐ Copy of ID (Student ID is acceptable)
MAIL INSTRUCTION CHECKLIST:
☐ Complete, sign and submit application
☐ Write name on each document

YOUR COMPLETE APPLICATION SHOULD BE RECEIVED BY \dots

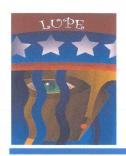
February 13, 2015

VIA U.S. POSTAL MAIL TO...

LUPE Fund, Inc Young Latina Leadership Scholarship Fund 492 Mount Prospect Avenue Newark, New Jersey 07104

VIA EMAIL TO...

lupescholarship@gmail.com



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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICA	ATION (Type or print legibly, i	fill out all sections)
Last Name:	First Name:	
Mailing Address: (You will	receive your notification at this ac	ldress)
Street:		Apt. #:
City:	State:	Zip Code:
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What career path(s) do you	ı currently study or plan to stud	dy?
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