



2013 ROSA PARKS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION GUIDELINES

The Council on American-Islamic Relations' (CAIR) annual Rosa Parks Civil Liberties Scholarship honors the life and work of civil rights pioneer Rosa Parks.

This year's winner of the **\$1,000** Rosa Parks Civil Liberties Scholarship will be announced at CAIR's 19th annual banquet on Saturday, September 28th in Arlington, VA. The winner of the scholarship **must be present** to accept the award. The application deadline for the scholarship is **August 1, 2013**.

Applicants must submit an original essay of 500 words or less that responds to the following prompt:

Describe an experience that illustrates your connection to advancing equality in America.

To qualify, applicants must:

- **Be enrolled in or accepted to** a full-time undergraduate, graduate or professional program of an accredited college or university in the United States for the fall 2013 semester.
- **Submit a resume** demonstrating a commitment to civil liberties issues and/or community service in employment or volunteer experiences.
- **Submit a short bio statement** (150 words max).
- **Submit one letter of recommendation.** Recommendation letters should include complete contact information for the reference. References should include the following:
 - How long and in what capacity they have known the applicant.
 - Reasons for recommending the applicant for this particular scholarship.
 - Other comments relating to the applicant's participation in or knowledge of civil rights, social justice and/or peaceful conflict resolution issues.
- **Sign** the attestation and application signature portion of the application.
- **Be able to attend CAIR's 19th annual fundraising banquet on Saturday, September 28, 2013 to receive the award in person.**
- Submit a complete application **by 5 p.m. on August 1, 2013.**



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APPLICANT INFORMATION		
Name: Last	First	DOB
Address		Apartment/Unit #
City	State	ZIP
Phone	Email	

EDUCATION: COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY INFORMATION	
Name of School	Anticipated graduation year
Address	
City, State, ZIP	
<p>***If selected, you must attach an official copy of your most recent transcript to verify your enrollment. Graduating high school students who have not yet begun college should also include their acceptance letter.***</p>	

REFERENCES	
Please list one reference:	
Full Name	Relationship
Affiliation	Phone ()
Address	
City, State, Zip	
Email	

RESUME
<p>Please attach your most recent resume, outlining your connection to civil rights & social justice through all relevant volunteer & employment experiences.</p>

ATTESTATION AND SIGNATURE

Your signature below indicates that, if chosen to receive the scholarship, you attest to and agree with the statements outlined below:

1. If awarded the scholarship, I give the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) permission to use my name, likeness, high school/college history and essay contents in its presentations and/or publications.
2. If awarded the scholarship, I agree to submit a copy of my most recent transcript and headshot within one week of being notified.
3. The information on this application is true, to the best of my knowledge.
4. The essay is my own work.
5. If I am the winner, **I will attend CAIR's 19th annual banquet on September 28th 2013** at the Marriot Crystal Gateway in Arlington, VA, where the scholarship award will be presented to me on stage.

Applicant's signature

Date

Parent's Signature
(only if student is under 18 yrs.)

Date

Check that each item is included with your application. Applications must be submitted no later than 5 p.m. on August 1, 2013:

- ✓ Completed application
- ✓ One recommendation letter (can be mailed with application or sent separately, but must meet deadline)
- ✓ Typed essay (See *Guidelines* for essay topic)
- ✓ Resume
- ✓ Bio
- ✓ Attestation & signature page

Email (preferred)

scholarship@cair.com

Subject: Rosa Parks Scholarship Application

*include documents as attachments

OR

Mail to:

CAIR

Attention: Scholarship Committee

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Washington, DC. 20003