

RUTH TAYLOR AWARD FUND

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APPLICATION FOR 2012-13 ACADEMIC YEAR

CRITERIA FOR RUTH TAYLOR AWARD SCHOLARSHIP

Applicant must meet two criteria:

- be a legal resident of United States and Westchester County
Proof of permanent residency is required; please submit proof of Social Security Number PLUS one of the following:
a) Copy of valid driver's license (with Westchester address)
b) Copy of current voter registration card (with Westchester County address)
c) Utility bill or lease/mortgage document with recent date (with Westchester address)
be attending graduate school full-time in the field of social work or public health
Proof of matriculated full-time status must be submitted.

Information required to process the Ruth Taylor Award Fund scholarship application is held confidential. Applicants are responsible for notifying this office should any information or circumstances change after submitting this application.

All applicants are required to submit electronic documents via e-mail at lreid@uwwp.org. Supporting documents include the following: (1) Ruth Taylor Award Fund Application; (2) Essay; (3) Letters of recommendation, including references' contact information; (4) Resumes and; (5) And current and prior public service involvement current require an original signature(s).

In addition, please print the application, sign accordingly, and return with packet materials. Hard copy materials must be submitted in one packet and must include official transcripts and letters of recommendation, including references' contact information, resume and. All documents should be placed in sealed envelopes endorsed or signed by the provider across the envelope flap.

In addition, applicants should submit resumes indicating employment history and a separate document indicating current and prior public service involvement. Incomplete, e-mailed or faxed applications will not be considered.

PERSONAL DATA

Applicant's Name: (Last) (First) (Middle)

Applicant's Social Security Number: Male Female

Permanent Address: City State Zip code

Temporary or Mailing Address: City State Zip code

Telephone Number: E-mail Address:

Date of Birth: (MM/DD/YYYY)

Length of Residence in Westchester (years): From To (MM/YYYY)

Marital Status: Single Married Separated Divorced Widowed

Number of Dependents: Ages:

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY (BEGIN WITH MOST RECENT)

<u>Employer</u>	<u>City/State</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Dates of Employment</u>	<u>Salary</u>

PUBLIC SERVICE INVOLVEMENT (BEGIN WITH MOST RECENT)

<u>Organization</u>	<u>City/State</u>	<u>Duties</u>	<u>Dates of Service</u>

EDUCATIONAL PROFILE

<u>Schools Attended</u>	<u>City/State</u>	<u>Dates of Attendance</u>	<u>Major Area of Study</u>	<u>Degree/Date Received</u>

GRADUATE STUDIES

Course of Study: _____

Degree Sought: _____

Name of school(s) which you expect to enroll in (or are currently enrolled in) for full-time graduate work:

<u>School</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Date of (Initial) Enrollment</u>

Time required to complete graduate studies (years): _____ Anticipated graduation date: ____/____/____

FINANCIAL PROFILE

Itemize annual cost of education (tuition, books, and equipment fees only):

Description	\$ Amount	Description	\$ Amount
Total Cost for All Items			\$ _____

What financial resources will be utilized toward meeting the above educational expenses for the applicable academic year? Please enter amount for each (insert zero dollars (\$00), if applicable).

Personal Savings \$ _____
 Earnings \$ _____
 *Family Aid \$ _____
 Government Benefits \$ _____
 Scholarships/Fellowships \$ _____
 Other Income \$ _____
TOTAL \$ _____

**If family aid is to be considered as a financial resource, please complete the box below:*

TO BE COMPLETED BY PARENT OR GUARDIAN

Father/Male Guardian

Mother/Female Guardian

Name: _____

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

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Adjusted Gross Income: (previous year IRS 1040) \$ _____

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Estimated Adjusted Gross Income: (current year) \$ _____

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No. of Exemptions Claimed: _____

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The following information will permit reviewers to better access applicant's financial disposition:

Parents' marital status: Single Married Separated Divorced Widowed

If parents not married (separated), please indicate with whom you reside: _____

Ages of Applicant's Siblings: _____ No. of Siblings Attending College Next Year: _____

Other Family Aid:

Name of family member: _____ Relationship: _____

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Family's Annual Income: *(check one)*

<input type="checkbox"/> under \$20,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$20,000 - \$39,999
<input type="checkbox"/> \$40,000 - \$59,999	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60,000 - \$79,999
<input type="checkbox"/> \$80,000 - \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/> over \$100,000

List current and previous grants (*meaning, no repayment terms*) and/or scholarships with amounts:

Source:	Date Received: (mm/dd/yyyy)	Amount:
_____	____/____/____	\$ _____
_____	____/____/____	\$ _____
_____	____/____/____	\$ _____
_____	____/____/____	\$ _____
_____	____/____/____	\$ _____
_____	____/____/____	\$ _____

List current student or other repayment obligation(s) used to finance your education:

Source:	Current Amount Owed:
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____

List previous student or other repayment obligation(s) used to finance your education:

Source:	Previous Amount Owed:
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____

Give any further information that bears on applicant's *financial need* (explaining why the Ruth Taylor scholarship is sought):

SUPPLEMENTAL DOCUMENTS

- **Essay – Attach separate sheet; 500 words or three (3) pages maximum; Times Roman, 12-pt font, doubled spaced, and one inch margins.**
Please explain your reasons for entering your chosen field and what you hope to accomplish in that field with respect to public service [Elaborate on what type of setting in which you intend or might want to practice]. Please explain what type(s) of activities in which you hope to be involved with (e.g., *not for profit, government, advocacy, public policy, case management, etc.*). Include descriptions of past, current, and planned activities that demonstrate your involvement and/or commitment to community, volunteerism and public service. The essay will also be used to evaluate your written communication skills, a criterion used in scoring applications.

- **References**
Please submit three (3) references, including original signature and references' contact information (in sealed envelopes) from sources named below as part of your Application packet. List names of references:

(1) School: (1) _____
 (2) Professional: (2) _____
 (3) Personal (non-relative) : (3) _____

- **Resume**
- Please submit RESUME indicating employment history
- **Public Service Involvement**
- Please submit document indicating current and previous PUBLIC SERVICE INVOLVEMENT
- Transcript(s)
Please submit OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT of your undergraduate and graduate work, if applicable, from all college(s) or universities. Include honors received and, if possible, your academic rank or standing in the class.

***PLEASE SUBMIT MATERIALS BOTH ELECTRONICALLY AND IN HARDCOPY FORM. ALL ELECTRONIC DOCUMENTS SHOULD BE SENT VIA E-MAIL TO MS. REID AT LREID@UWWP.ORG.**

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

If family aid to be considered:

Parent or Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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