



# **Milka Clarke Stroke Brain Trauma Foundation**

## **Self-Actualization & Academic Award Scholarship Fund**

**“Helping you to realize your true potential”**

### **Milka Clarke Stroke Brain Trauma Foundation Academic Scholarship Award**

Milka Clarke Stroke Brain Trauma Foundation recognizes that the academic journey to self-actualization, is not easy, but if you have been striving in your academic pursuit, scoring at least a ‘B’ Average in your grades, possess some basic leadership qualities, provide service to your community, and have the desire to pursue higher education, then you may be eligible to receive a scholarship award.

Scholarships are awarded to outstanding youths who are students of excellence with verifiable financial hardship. You may be high school seniors planning to pursue post-secondary education at technical schools, as well as at two year colleges and four year universities. Qualified applicants are eligible to receive a one-time award.

### **Who is eligible to apply for the scholarship?**

Eligible applicants are Students of Excellence from grades 8-12 at Green Island High School; students with a known financial hardship, have been actively involved in student government, community outreach, or other youth department activities.

**Applicants must submit all required documentations, application, typed essay, and signed forms verifying participation in community organizations.**

Applicants must place all application materials in a sealed envelope, along with one copy of a current half picture. All required documents must be placed in the receipt of the GIHS Scholarship Liaison by **Midnight, May 9<sup>th</sup> of the high school graduation year.**

**At this time the application process is not automated nor done exclusively online. In the future we hope to have online application automation.**

*Debbie M. Thomas-Brown*

**Milka Clarke Stroke Brain Trauma Foundation  
Scholarship Coordinator**

## How to Apply

Applicants must submit a completed scholarship application and supporting documentations by the stated deadline. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered! **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** All applications and essays must be submitted to the GIHS Scholarship Administration/Liaison no later than the (second) 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday in May of each year.

- **AWARD PRESENTED:** The winning recipients will receive their scholarship awards at the Annual Welcome Service at GIHS.

A complete application packet must include the following:

- **Your short Bio in less than 200 words. Your Bio will be used to introduce you at the awards ceremony.**
- The scholarship application with all sections completed.
- A photograph with your name and high school listed on the back.
- A copy of at least one letter of recommendation from a community organization that you are a member of. A letter of recommendation must be submitted that documents the applicant's level of participation and involvement in school or community activities.

The letter must be written by a community leader, teacher, or supervisor of any auxiliary in which the applicant is active.

The scholarship will not be based on the essay, as the essay is **only a part of** the application that will allow GIHS scholarship administration, to verify academic excellence based on GIHS academic grading system, as well as all other scholarship criteria.

**If a student did not apply with an essay, he/she CANNOT be considered for a scholarship, even if they have met the excellence standard. After 2015, No exceptions will be allowed. Everyone has to apply to be considered.**

## **Instructions**

**Please complete the entire application.**

**Type or print, using blue or black ink. All questions must be answered  
for the application to be considered for the scholarship.**

**Applicant's Name:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**First**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Middle**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Last**

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact information:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Cellular**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Email**

**Parent(s)/Guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Name** **Email**

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**High School:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE READ THE SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES  
FOR MORE INFORMATION**

## **The Essay**

Please attach a type written essay, of minimum 250 words, on the theme, **“What winning the Milka Clarke Stroke Brain Trauma Foundation Scholarship would mean to me, and how it would enhance my education.”** You may also include your career goals and any specific contributions you plan to make to the community after completing your studies.

All essays must be:

- Typed and submitted with the application.
- Please record your name on the essay and attach it to this application.
- The top four recipients will be selected for the Milka Clarke Stroke Brain Trauma Foundation Scholarship Award.
- The recipients will receive their awards at the Annual Welcome Service at GIHS.
- Essays will be evaluated according to these categories: grammar usage and mechanics, clarity and coherence, adherence to theme and inclusion of adequate details.

## **Letter of Recommendation**

Please submit letter(s) of recommendation from any school official, clergy, prominent business owner or leader in a community group or church in which you are active, documenting your level of participation and involvement in community activities.

**The Letter of Recommendation can come from your Homeroom Teacher.**

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ALL INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Print name**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

20\_\_\_\_

## CHECKLIST

Please complete the following checklist and submit with your application.

Thank you for applying for a scholarship. All applications and essays must be submitted to the GIHS Scholarship Administration/Liaison no later than the (second) 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday in May of each year.

### THE GIHS SCHOLARSHIP LIAISON OFFICER

Ms. **Shaurna Frozell-Miller**, has been named the Official GIHS Scholarship Liaison Officer.

Please complete checklist and ensure that all required materials are being submitted. These materials include:

\_\_\_\_\_ Completed and signed application

\_\_\_\_\_ Signed half sized picture

\_\_\_\_\_ Letters of recommendation

\_\_\_\_\_ Typed essay

\_\_\_\_\_ Name of high school

### **PLEASE INCLUDE THIS FORM WITH YOUR APPLICATION MATERIALS**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

If you have questions, please contact a representative at:  
1(876)-432-5823 or send an email to [info@milkaclarkestrokefoundation.org](mailto:info@milkaclarkestrokefoundation.org)

### **Send Mail to:**

Attention: Scholarship Coordinator  
Milka Clarke Stroke Brain Trauma Foundation Scholarship  
Whitehall Dist., Negril P.O.  
Westmoreland, Jamaica W.I.