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**GIFT FOR LIFE**  
**\$1,000 SCHOLARSHIP**  
**APPLICATION**

Twelve scholarships are awarded annually to USBC Youth members in need of financial help to obtain a college education.

**THE GIFT FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS** are awarded annually to high school students who offer evidence of financial hardships (see definition below). Scholarships will be awarded to twelve (12) USBC Youth members. The winners will receive a \$1,000

scholarship managed through the SMART program. In honor of the September 11th heroes, two of these awards one to a male and one to a female, are reserved for a son and daughter of fire/police/emergency rescue personnel.

**Definition of Financial Hardship:** Candidates will be considered to have financial hardships if they reside in households where the number of children, the income level of their parents and any other extenuating circumstances would make obtaining a college education financially unlikely.

**ELIGIBILITY AND REQUIREMENTS**

1. Be a USBC Youth member in good standing
2. Be a current high school student in grade 9 through 12
3. Have a current GPA of 2.5 or better, based on a 4.0 scale
4. Have a financial hardship and fully explain the hardship (see section D)
5. Completed application
6. Include at least two letters of reference (by a teacher, principal, employer, etc.)
7. Include an official or unofficial school transcript
8. Return all completed documentation and application to USBC post-marked no later than **DECEMBER 1, 2016.** (Partial or incomplete applications will not be accepted.)
9. Individuals may apply for and win this scholarship each year they are enrolled in high school.

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**SECTION A – CONTACT INFORMATION**

Male  Female

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

USBC Member Number \_\_\_\_\_

Are you the son/daughter of a fire/police/emergency rescue personnel?  Yes  No

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**SECTION B – ACADEMIC/SCHOOL INVOLVEMENT**

Please answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper. Please include as much detail as possible.

1. List the name of your current high school, your current grade and your expected graduation month and year.
2. List your current grade point average and on what scale it is based.
3. List any AP/Honors courses you have completed or are currently taking.
4. List all scholastic honors or awards (i.e. National Honor Society, Honor Roll, 1st-place in science competition, etc.).
5. List all extracurricular activities (i.e. school clubs, newspaper, yearbook, etc.).
6. List any high school sports played and years played.
7. List any activities not covered in the above questions that pertain to your school and/or extracurricular activities.

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**SECTION C – COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Please answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper. Please include as much detail as possible.

1. List all community volunteer activities and years involved (i.e. church, local mission, etc.).
2. List other activities such as Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, bowling offices held, etc.
3. List any scholarships you have received by name and amount. If they are managed through SMART just state SMART and total amount in SMART account.
4. List any activities not covered in the above questions pertaining to community involvement.

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**SECTION D – ESSAY**

Please submit an essay on any subject of your choice, but keep your essay to no more than 500 words. Type essay on separate sheet of paper and include your full name in the upper right corner.

**AND**

Submit a statement explaining how your financial situation could hinder or stop you from reaching your educational goals. Please include as much detail as possible regarding your financial situation but please **DO NOT** include tax or other financial documents..

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**SECTION E – OFFICIAL SIGNATURES**

I certify the information on this application and all accompanying documentation is correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Applicant Signature & Date

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Parent or Guardian Signature (if applicant is under 18 years of age)

Only the winning applicant will be notified directly.  
The winner's identity will be published on [www.bowl.com](http://www.bowl.com) and in other USBC publications.

Send completed application form and all documentation post-marked no later than **DECEMBER 1, 2016**, by mail, fax or email to:

IBC Youth Department  
Attn: Gift For Life Scholarship  
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Arlington, TX 76011

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