

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
"MARCHING FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE"

SAINT JOHN'S BAPTIST CHURCH
Woburn, Massachusetts
Rev. Dr. Neal Pearson, Pastor

PURPOSE	The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Program is a program offered by Saint John's Baptist Church to acknowledge students who embrace the ideals of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The program provides financial assistance for students pursuing higher education who are committed to social justice, and have demonstrated leadership or active participation in community service.
ELIGIBILITY	The scholarship program is open to high school seniors who are either members of Saint John's Baptist church or residents of the City of Woburn. Applicants must be applying to an accredited undergraduate degree program as a full-time student and have plans to register for the Fall semester.
AWARDS	<p>The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship award will be presented to recipients January 18, 2010 at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Luncheon.</p> <p>The scholarship is non-renewable. The amount of the funds available for the scholarship shall be determined by the board of trustees and approved by the membership of Saint John's Baptist Church.</p>
APPLICATION PERIOD AND DEADLINE	The scholarship selection committee will be accepting applications until January 11, 2010. An application postmarked by January 11 insures acceptance of the application. No exceptions or extensions will be made beyond January 11, 2010.
SELECTION	<p>Applicants are recommended for awards by the scholarship selection committee, which will meet during the review period to evaluate applications using the following criteria:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Academic achievement2. Personal qualities and strengths3. Letters of recommendation4. Essay <p>All applicants will be notified of their application status approximately one week following the deadline. Notifications are final and irrevocable.</p>
TRANSCRIPT	Submit an official transcript and scores from any valid, reliable instrument used to measure scholastic aptitude, interest and/or achievement.
REFERENCES	Submit two letters of recommendations. At least one recommendation should reflect academic credentials and one recommendation should reflect community service.

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
"MARCHING FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE"

SAINT JOHN'S BAPTIST CHURCH
Woburn, Massachusetts
Rev. Dr. Neal Pearson, Pastor

- BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH** Submit a one paragraph biographical sketch describing achievements, community service involvement, current higher education status, and career goals.
- ESSAY** Each applicant must submit a 500-word essay responding to the following quotation:
"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter."
- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Birmingham, Al, 1963
For identification purposes, please include the applicant's name and birth date on the essay.
- INTERVIEW** Applicants may be requested to participate in an interview with the scholarship selection committee during the review process.
- ACCEPTANCE LETTER** In order to receive financial assistance from the scholarship, applicants must provide a letter of acceptance from the institution that you plan to matriculate.
All applicants who provide the acceptance letters prior to January 18, 2010 will receive the scholarship money along with the award at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Luncheon. The deadline for submitting the acceptance letter is April 9, 2010.
- APPLICATIONS** The complete application, transcript, essay and recommendations must be submitted by January 11, 2010, and sent to the following address:
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Committee
Saint John's Baptist Church
c/o Michael D. West
38-40 Everett Street
Woburn, Massachusetts 01801