“Launching New Dimensions of Educational Excellence”
ALPHA KAPP A ALPHA EDUCATIONAL ADVANCEMENT FOUNDATION, INC.
GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP-COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE AWARD

FACT SHEET
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INTRODUCTION
The Alpha Kappa Alpha Educational Advancement Foundation, Inc. (EAF) provides funds to advance education in fulfillment of its mission: “To promote life long learning.” This is accomplished by securing charitable funds to award scholarships and grants.

The Foundation is a source of support to graduate students, post freshman students and non-profit organizations serving diverse beneficiaries. Foundation scholarships and grants are awarded without regard to gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, ethnicity or disability. The only means to obtain an application is through the website.

AWARDS*

- **Scholarships**
  - **Merit scholarships** are awarded to graduate students, this is a one-year award.
  - **Financial Assistance scholarships** are awarded to graduate students, this is a one-year award. **If applying for Financial Assistance Scholarship please fill out the Financial Need Analysis form.**

- **Community Assistance Awards**
Community Assistance Awards are one-time awards to non-profit organizations implementing projects addressing one of the programmatic thrusts of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.:
  - Educational Enrichment
  - Health Promotion
  - Family Strengthening
  - Environmental Ownership
  - Global Impact

Awards range from $1,000.00 to $3,000.00.

CRITERIA
The following general criteria is a summary and applies to all award categories:

- Graduates must be a full-time (depends on your schools qualifications) and currently enrolled student at an accredited degree-granting institution. On-line and accelerated classes are accepted.
- Graduate students must plan to continue their academic pursuits in the fall of the grant year.
- Demonstrated exceptional academic achievement/or financial need.
- Leadership, volunteer, civic and academic services.

SELECTION
Awardees will be notified by December. This is a blind process (without knowledge of who the applicant is), to insure fairness and objectivity. Recommendations by the panels are subject to final approval by the Alpha Kappa Alpha Educational Advancement Foundation Inc. Board of Directors.

The deadline for all applications is August 15, 2017.

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CALENDAR
August 15, 2017
Applications must be electronically submitted by 11:59 PM CST

*Award Information – Qualified expenditures include: Tuition, room/board, coursework fees, books and supplies (paper, notebooks, computers, electronic media, etc); local transportation (e.g., to/from/at school), including bus fare, mileage auto expense, parking, and tolls.

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