



## Omega Phi Beta Foundation – Fully Bloomed Scholarship

**WHO WE ARE:** Omega Phi Beta Foundation (OPBF) is a national philanthropic organization committed to providing leadership, academic, and community development opportunities through educational and grant-making initiatives. These initiatives support individuals and organizations dedicated to advancing women’s rights in STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, & Math).

**FULLY BLOOMED:** The Omega Phi Beta Foundation Fully Bloomed Scholarship is awarded to a mother who is pursuing any form of post-secondary education such as from a Trade School, College or University, which may include certification and/or training school. Motherhood is a commitment that requires one to put their needs aside for those they tend to. Our intent behind this scholarship is to support those individuals who are both mothers and students by providing them the financial assistance needed to achieve their goals.

### **ELIGIBILITY:**

- Must have a high-school degree.
- Must be from a low income household earning a combined income that is less than \$45,000.00 a year.
- Must be in pursuit of an undergraduate degree at a college or university, or be in pursuit of a certification from a trade school and/or post-secondary education.

**SELECTION PROCESS:** The Board of Directors of Omega Phi Beta Foundation will review and consider all applicants via a point system ensuring that all criteria is met.

**AWARD INFORMATION:** All General Scholarships are awarded for one year only and are non-renewable. Individual scholarship awards are for \$500.00.

**AWARD NOTIFICATION:** Any individual selected to receive a scholarship will be notified via e-mail.

### **HOW TO APPLY:**

1. Submit a completed general application (see page 3).
2. Official school transcript. If entering a new program, submit your transcript from your previous education. If currently pursuing a degree, please submit a current transcript.
3. Proof of enrollment in a college or university, or your chosen program.
4. Provide one (1) Letter of Recommendation. Recommendation must be from an individual such as a mentor, teacher, current/former employer, or advisor. Letters of recommendation must include the following:
  1. Applicant's name and level of study
  2. Relationship to applicant
  3. Name of school or program of study



4. Complete address, phone and/or fax, and email address of the school or nominator

**NOTE:** Letters of recommendation must be sent via e-mail as an attached PDF file. All the letters must be sent by the recommender submitting the recommendation on the student's behalf. The letters must be received on or before the scholarship deadlines noted herein. **It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that all letters are sent by the deadline.**

5. Resume - Please include any related instructional experience, including information regarding education to date, and a list of honors and awards received.
6. Personal Statement- Submit a personal statement of 500-750 words in PDF format. Please submit your personal statement using the following questions as guidelines:
  - What degree/certification you are planning to pursue and why?
  - How will this certification/degree impact you and your family?
  - How are you a role model to your child/children now?
  - What is your career plan once you achieve your academic goal?
7. Submit copy of previous tax return as proof of income making sure to cross out any sensitive information, such as social security number.
8. If you already have experience in your field of study, we encourage you to share any relevant materials, such as a web site link, an app, or project. Please follow the [Media Submission Format Guidelines](#) page.
9. Please include a headshot of yourself in either .JPG or .GIF format, which will be used on our social media if you are chosen as the winner.
10. A signed Photo Release Form (found on page 4).

Please submit all materials to: [scholarships@opbfoundation.org](mailto:scholarships@opbfoundation.org).

Applications must be submitted, in their entirety, by 5pm on May 31. **No applications will be accepted if emailed after the designated deadline.**



## General Application

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| <b>Nominee</b>   |         |           |
| Name (Complete Government Issued Name):  |         |           |
| Date of Birth:   | Age:    |           |
| Street Address:  |         |           |
| City:  | State:  | Zip Code: |
| Email Address:   |         |           |
| Telephone Number:  |         |           |
| <b>School Information</b>  |         |           |
| High School:   | GPA:    |           |
| College/University:  | Degree: | GPA:      |
| Extended Education:  | Degree: | GPA:      |
| <b>How did you hear about us?</b>  |         |           |
| Social Media/Online (please specify):  |         |           |
| Personal Recommendation (list name):   |         |           |
| Relationship to Nominee:   |         |           |
| <b>Certification of Authenticity</b>   |         |           |
| <i>I certify that all the information that I am submitting in this application is accurate to my knowledge. All information pertains to me and if chosen as an award winner, Omega Phi Beta Foundation is allowed to utilize my information for promotional use only via the intended scholarship.</i> |         |           |
| <b>Print Name</b>  |         |           |
| <b>Sign Name</b>   |         |           |
| <b>Date</b>  |         |           |



## Photo Release Form

I hereby consent to the use, reproduction, and/or editing by Omega Phi Beta Foundation, Inc. of any and all photographs of me from this day to promote Omega Phi Beta Foundation, Inc.

I do hereby release to Omega Phi Beta Foundation, Inc. all rights to exhibit this photograph in print and/or electronic form publicly or privately. I understand that the images may be used in print production, online publications, presentations, websites, and social media. I waive any rights, claims, or interest I may have to control the use of my identity or likeness in whatever media is used.

I also understand that no royalty, fee, or other compensation shall become payable to me by reason of such use.

I certify that I am at least 18 years of age, have read and understand the foregoing statement, and am competent to execute this agreement. If I am not at least 18 years of age a Parental Guardian must sign on my behalf.

Name of Participant (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Participant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature (if Participant is under 18 years of age): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_