

## OUR OBJECTIVES

- ◆ TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO QUALIFIED STUDENTS.
- ◆ TO ENABLE MOTIVATED STUDENTS TO FURTHER THEIR EDUCATION.
- ◆ TO DIRECT STUDENTS TO BECOME RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS.

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## PARTICIPATION

THE TIME HAS COME WHERE WE MUST DETERMINE OUR ROLE IN SHAPING THE FUTURE OF THE GHANAIAN COMMUNITY. IF WE DESIRE TO DEVELOP A GENERATION THAT IS CAPABLE OF CONTRIBUTING MEANINGFULLY LOCALLY AND NATIONALLY, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE COMMIT TO PROVIDING EVERYTHING IT TAKES TO ENSURE THAT OUR BEST AND BRIGHTEST ARE NOT DENIED THE OPPORTUNITY TO ACQUIRE THE KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS NECESSARY TO EXCEL IN ACADEMIA, COMPETE IN THE PROFESSIONAL SECTOR, AND GIVE BACK TO THEIR COMMUNITY.

WE INVITE YOU TO PARTICIPATE BY PROVIDING MONETARY SUPPORT TO OUR CAUSE. ANY AMOUNT IS APPROPRIATE AND APPRECIATED AND IS TAX-DEDUCTIBLE.

YOU MAY DONATE BY SENDING A CHECK TO **GHANAM** MARKED **"ACADEMIC FOUNDATION"**.

**Ghanaian Association of Minnesota**  
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## GHANAIAN ASSOCIATION OF MINNESOTA (GhanAM)



## ACADEMIC FOUNDATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS



## OUR MISSION

TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO QUALIFIED STUDENTS WHO ARE MOTIVATED TO FURTHER THEIR EDUCATION AND BECOME RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS IN THE GHANAM COMMUNITY.



## OUR PURPOSE

With today's tough economic conditions many members of the Ghanaian community are being forced to postpone or forgo continuing their education, a result of the rising cost of post-secondary education. What the Academic Foundation for the Development of Citizens aims to offer is financial assistance to students who demonstrate a desire to pursue higher education, but lack the resources to do so.

Eligibility for the award will be based on financial need, academic merit, socio-economic status, volunteer service to GhanAM, among other factors.

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

All Ghanaians or relatives of Ghanaians who are residents of Minnesota on their way to or already attending colleges, universities, trade schools or similar institutions have a chance to compete for scholarships that would offer financial relief for the expenses of textbooks, tuition or supplies. Application materials can be accessed at [www.ghanam.org](http://www.ghanam.org)

Applications will be accepted by July 31, 2014 from those who meet the above eligibility requirements. Applications will only be reviewed if ALL qualifying materials are present.

A complete application package consists of a filled scholarship application form and a consent to release of academic records form, a resume, and a typed essay of 300 to 500 words (12 point font) answering the following question:

**WHERE DO YOU SEE YOUR PLACE IN THE COMMUNITY AFTER GRADUATION?**

Among others, the essay should highlight the following attributes:

- ◆ Academic accomplishments and achievements
- ◆ Academic and long-term professional goals
- ◆ Specific steps planned to achieve the long term goals
- ◆ Community involvement

- ◆ Leadership abilities and skills including effective team building
- ◆ Servant leadership experiences

Applications should be submitted to GhanAM by regular mail, by email or through the GhanAM website.



## SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Award winners would be announced at the **GHANAM SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS BANQUET** to be hosted in the summer at a date and venue to be determined. Academic merit scholarships, Academic need scholarships, and Special eligibility scholarships would be granted to members of the Ghanaian community regardless of religion, creed, and sexual orientation or disability status.

GhanAM has established a scholarship account with a reputable bank. The bank would pay each award in the student's name to the institution they are enrolled in.

Contact GhanAM if you have any questions.