



## 2016 POWER Scholarship Application

Please visit the POWER website for eligibility requirements, selection criteria, and other critical information: [www.INPowerCaucus.org](http://www.INPowerCaucus.org)

Answer all application questions and include all documentation (checklist, signed application, recommendation letters, school acceptance letter, and your essay). If submitting the application and documentation by mail, please include in one package via U.S. mail or other postal delivery.

- **Scholarship applications for the 2016 awards will be accepted until December 4, 2015 and must be postmarked by this date.**
- Email applications and incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Scholarship Awards will be contacted by December 31, 2015
- There will be an award ceremony to follow January 2016.

### Mail your application to:

Representative  
Robin Shackelford  
200 W. Washington Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

### Questions?

Email [H98@in.gov](mailto:H98@in.gov)

Application Checklist	
	<b>Valid Picture ID</b> (may include a copy of driver's license, passport, student ID etc.)
	<b>Proof of Current Acceptance into College/University</b> (Letter of Acceptance, Student Verification of Eligibility, etc.)
	<b>Current Transcript</b> (Current Students Only)
	<b>All Completed Forms and Included:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>_____ Scholarship Application</li> <li>_____ Recommendations (at least 2)</li> <li>_____ Essay</li> </ul>

## Scholarship Application

<b>Name:</b> <small>(last, first, middle initial)</small>			
<b>Home Mailing Address:</b>			
<b>City, State, Zip:</b>			
<b>Telephone:</b> <small>(xxx) xxx - xxxx</small>		<b>Email Address:</b>	
<b>Date of Birth:</b> <small>MM / DD / YYYY</small>		<b>Age:</b>	

Where did you hear about this scholarship program?	
	School
	Friend
	Facebook
	POWER Website
	Scholarship Website
	Other _____

Application Type
Please specify which scholarship you're applying for. <small>(Select One)</small>
<input type="checkbox"/> General Higher Education Scholarship
<input type="checkbox"/> STEM Higher Education Scholarship

**Current Circumstances:**

Describe your current circumstances. Are you changing careers, seeking advancement in your current career, a stay-at-home mom looking to enhance skills, volunteering in the community, looking for personal growth, and/or seeking to achieve balance in your life?

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**Work Experience:**

Tell us about your work experience during the past four years.

Employer Position	Start Date	End Date

Tell us about your career goals over the next four years.

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## Commitment to Community Service

### Community Volunteer Work Experience:

Tell us about your volunteer experience during the past four years.

Volunteer Position	Description	Start Date	Hours Donated

You may attach additional pages as need to clarify responses to questions below. Please attach a current resume if available.

Discuss your community/school involvement, e.g., volunteer responsibilities and/or leadership positions held with civic groups, charitable organizations, etc.

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List any awards or honors you may have received.

Award/Honor	Date Received

## Commitment to Education

Educational Information:

What is the highest level of education you have already obtained?	
<input type="checkbox"/>	High School / GED
<input type="checkbox"/>	Some College / Vocational Training
<input type="checkbox"/>	Associate Degree
<input type="checkbox"/>	BA / BS
<input type="checkbox"/>	Graduate School

Describe your past educational experience.

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State your plans as they relate to your long-term educational goals.

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Have you already been accepted for enrollment in a college or university in the State of Indiana?	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/>	No

What is the name of the educational institution for which you need this scholarship?

In which program or major are you enrolled?

For STEM Higher Education Applicants: Are you currently enrolled in a STEM program?	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/>	No

**Note: You MUST attach proof of your current acceptance into a college/university confirming your acceptance in the program, or a current school transcript.**

## Financial Need

**Financial Information:**

State of Residence

Marital Status	
	Single
	Married
	Partner
	Divorced
	Separated
	Widowed

Number of people residing in your household, including yourself

What was your household income last year?
This should include the income of all people who are contributing to household expenses. (parents, spouse, etc.)

What kind of financial aid are you currently receiving/expecting?	
Scholarship	\$
Grant	\$
Loan	\$
Other	\$
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explanation of Other:</li> </ul>

**Recommendations:**

Please provide recommendations from individuals that can speak to your dedication to serving your community beyond expectations. Recommendations can come from volunteer sites or volunteer program managers, academic advisors or instructors community engagement leaders, member of the clergy, or mentors. Please provide a minimum of two recommendations. Up to four recommendations will be accepted and reviewed for each applicant.

**Essay:**

Please submit a typewritten essay based on the application type you selected.

The essay requirements:

- Maximum 2 pages

- Double spaced

- 11pt. or 12pt. font size

<b>General Higher Education Scholarship Question</b>	How has beginning or continuing your academic education positively impacted your life?
<b>STEM Higher Education Scholarship</b>	Why have you chosen to major in science, technology, engineering or math?

**Signature Required:**

I certify that the information contained in this application and the accompanying materials is true and correct.

<b>Signature</b>	
<b>Date</b>	

**Demographic Information (Optional):**

POWER seeks to ensure that we are providing educational scholarships equitably throughout the communities we serve. By giving us this optional information, you will be helping to honor our commitment to diversity in all areas that we seek to support.

<b>Which of the following best describe the type of organization for which you currently work, if employed outside of home?</b>	
	Self-Employed
	For-Profit Company
	Non-Profit Organization
	Government (Federal, State, or Local)
	Other

<b>What is your age?</b> (Minimum age required for the POWER Scholarship is 25 years old)

<b>Fill in the appropriate category below:</b>	
	African-American
	Caucasian (Non-Hispanic White)
	Hispanic
	Asian-American
	Other