

# Coleman A. Young Foundation

## Scholars Program

### Year 2012 Application

*Over 30 Years of Awarding College Scholarships to Detroit Youth*

**Applications must be postmarked no later than Tuesday March 13, 2012**

Application is on line or submitted on-line [www.cayf.org](http://www.cayf.org) and can be completed and submitted electronically. Required attachments such as W-2 and tax forms, letters of recommendation and essay can be uploaded or mailed to the office at the address given below.



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Acceptance and participation in our scholarship program are the same for everyone without regard to religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex, handicap or sexual preference.

Coleman A. Young Foundation, Inc. is a tax-exempt, non-profit, charitable organization with Federal identification number 38-2400801. Donations can be made payable to the Coleman A. Young Foundation. Michigan charitable license to solicit MICS 8599.

Please type all information

### APPLICATION DATA

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ SS#: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First, Middle, Last)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
(number, street and apartment if necessary)

Home Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Other Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Elementary school attended \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the eligibility requirements and I am:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Attending a Detroit High School. The name of the school is \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ A high school senior who will graduate in May/June 2012.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A resident of the City of Detroit.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Planning to attend one of the country's four-year accredited, Historically Black Colleges/Universities (HBCU), or an accredited four-year College/University in the State of Michigan.

Please indicate your status: \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female  
Race/ethnicity: \_\_\_\_\_ African American \_\_\_\_\_ White \_\_\_\_\_ Hispanic \_\_\_\_\_ Native American Indian \_\_\_\_\_ Asian or Pacific Islander \_\_\_\_\_  
Other \_\_\_\_\_

### COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY

The College/University I will be attending is: (check one) \_\_\_\_\_ HBCU \_\_\_\_\_ In Michigan **I have been accepted:** \_\_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_\_ no  
Name of Institution: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_  
My college major will be: \_\_\_\_\_ I estimate it will take \_\_\_\_\_ years to earn my degree.  
Estimated annual costs: Tuition & fees \_\_\_\_\_ Room & Board \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Books \_\_\_\_\_

### FINANCIAL

Parent's/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ SS#: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First, Middle, Last)  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
(number, street and apartment if applicable)  
Home Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Other Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the names and ages of brothers, sisters, or other minors, 18 and under in your home as well as any other people dependent upon your parent(s) or guardian [explain the dependency in the "Need Declaration" section]:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please list each (regardless of, with whom the student resides) Parent's or Guardian's name, place of employment, position title, and annual gross income (you must submit the parent's or guardian's 2011 W-2 and a completed and signed copy of the parent's or guardian's 2011 Federal Income Tax return statement of welfare or general assistance benefits.) If you are self supporting, please submit a copy of your W-2 form, completed and signed copy of your federal income tax return or a statement of SSI benefits or other welfare or general assistance benefits.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### NEED DECLARATION

On a separate page, state clearly your need for this scholarship and provide any pertinent information (include details concerning dependents in household) that may be useful in understanding your need. Please list each (regardless of, with whom the student resides) parent/guardian's name, place of employment, position title, and annual gross income (you must submit the parent's or guardian's 2011 W-2 and copy of completed and signed 2011 Federal Tax return or statement of welfare or general assistance benefit). Also list all other scholarships or financial aid you have already been awarded or expect to receive (include the name, amount and duration of each award). Please sign the statement. Remember to attach proof of family income. (2011 W-2 form, and federal tax return must be signed by parent or guardian. Application is not accepted without this information.)

REFERRED BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Print name and organization clearly*

## ATTACHMENTS TO THE APPLICATION

### ACTIVITIES, AWARDS, and HONORS

Provide a resume that includes all school, employment, community and religious activities in which you have participated and received recognition during your high school career.

### ESSAY

Write an original, typewritten, double-spaced essay no more than four pages in length that explains all of the following five items:

1. Who are you, what are your leadership abilities and potential?
2. What is your interest in your chosen field of study and the importance of attending college?
3. How will you contribute to Detroit's growth and development after earning your degree?
4. State two characteristics of Mayor Coleman A. Young's leadership, personality and/or professionalism, that you feel you share.
5. Describe a significant event in the career of Coleman A. Young as Mayor of the City of Detroit that has affected you and/or your family. The essay should include how and why this event was so important and significant.

Sign the essay and attach it to the application.

### LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Please submit with this application **three letters** of recommendation. At least one must be from **the high school counselor or instructor on official letterhead**. One recommendation must be from an individual who is not associated with the high school. Letters should provide as much insight as possible about you, your history and your leadership potential.

### TRANSCRIPT INFORMATION

Submit an **official copy** of the high school transcript and have the following section completed by the guidance counselor:

Cumulative Grade Point Average \_\_\_\_ / 4.0 scale    ACT Composite \_\_\_\_\_    SAT Math \_\_\_\_\_    SAT Verbal \_\_\_\_\_  
Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Guidance Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Print name of Guidance Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_ Office Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### CERTIFICATION

*All of the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. If asked by Coleman A. Young Foundation (CAYF), I agree to provide proof of the information I have given on this application. I realize that if I do not provide proof when asked, I will not be considered for a scholarship.*

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**If you are submitting a hard copy of the application, all supporting materials must be submitted together in one package to CAYF, postmarked no later than Tuesday, March 13, 2012, to:**

Thelma Bush, Scholar Program Manager  
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## YEAR 2012 APPLICATION COLEMAN A. YOUNG FOUNDATION SCHOLARS PROGRAM

The Coleman A. Young Foundation, Inc. is a tax-exempt, nonprofit, charitable organization that was founded in 1982 to develop leadership among Detroit youth through college scholarships, mentoring and other supports for personal growth and development.

### Coleman A. Young Foundation (CAYF) Scholars Program

CAYF strives to reach as many students as possible, who are confirmed to have leadership potential by teachers, guidance counselors, and community leaders, are committed to Detroit, and who may not be able to attend college without CAYF's assistance. CAYF provides financial support through the Scholars Program to attend one of the country's four-year accredited, Historically Black Colleges/Universities, or an accredited four-year college or university in the State of Michigan. The Scholars Program provides academic mentoring, and counseling to all its scholars.

### Eligibility

Applicants must be residents of Detroit who will graduate from a Detroit high school - public, private or parochial - during the award year. Applicants also must:

- Plan to attend one of the country's fully- accredited, Historically- Black Colleges/Universities, or an accredited, four-year college or university in Michigan.
- Meet all admission requirements of the college or university.
- Plan to pursue a degree in an area of emphasis for the CAYF. Current areas include: Liberal Arts, Education, Economics, Finance, Engineering, and Science.
- Have a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or better. **(Consideration is given to students with lower grade point averages, when the potential to succeed and the determination to achieve are evident.)**
- Demonstrate financial need. **(Proof of annual family income is required.) A 2011 W-2 tax form filed with IRS is required to accompany this application and must be signed by parent or guardian. Application is not accepted without this information.**
- Complete a scholarship application and supply the required attachments.
- Proof of residence in Detroit.

### The Scholarship Award

CAYF awards scholarships of up to \$5,000 annually for a maximum of \$20,000 over 4 or 5 years to eligible graduating high school seniors. Funds must be used to pay for expenses related to attending college including tuition, fees, room and board, books, and transportation.

### Notification of Finalists

Scholar semi-finalists will be notified no later than April 30<sup>th</sup> and must participate in an interview process. Finalists will be notified no later than May 5, 2012 and must participate in the annual awards program on Monday May 14, 2012.

### Renewal of Awards

Scholarship awards of up to \$5,000 per year are renewable for a maximum of \$20,000 over 4 or 5 years. Recipients must continue to 1) demonstrate financial need, 2) maintain satisfactory academic performance, 3) demonstrate their ability to succeed, with proper tutoring, counseling and guidance, and 4) maintain a high level of community commitment and involvement.

**CHECKLIST** - CAYF Scholars program application becomes complete and valid only when you have submitted all of the following material:

The Completed Application Form must be accompanied by the following ATTACHMENTS:

- \_\_\_1. Statement of need declaration
- \_\_\_2. Proof of family income (2011 W-2 and 2011 Federal Tax Return; or a statement of welfare)
- \_\_\_3. Residence in Detroit.
- \_\_\_4. Resume
- \_\_\_5. Essay
- \_\_\_6. An official transcript of grades and either the ACT or SAT results.
- \_\_\_7. Three letters of recommendation At least one must be from the high school counselor or instructor on official letterhead and one must be from an individual who is not associated with the high school.

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