

**2016**

SCHOLARSHIP  
APPLICATION PACKET

MLK  
DREAM





# MLK DREAM SCHOLARSHIPS

## JANUARY 16, 2016

**Dear Friends,**

Martin Luther King, Jr. took hold of the freedoms promised by our nation's founding fathers and used his constitutional rights when he made his speech and developed his dream. By taking action on his dream, Dr. King was able to change the future of men, women and children, and impact so many aspects of our current society. It is this spirit that inspired us to continue the theme for the 2016 MLK Dream Scholarships.

To change the future of Upstate youth, the Urban League needs your help identifying students interested in applying for the annual MLK scholarships, a major initiative since the inaugural year in 2006. Eight scholarships will be awarded totaling over \$100,000 and presented at the MLK Dreams in Action Program on January 16, 2016, at 9:00a.m., at the Greenville Technical College Barton Campus Auditorium. All scholarship entries will be evaluated for selection based on transcripts, letters of recommendation, autobiography statement, GPA, financial need and demonstrated leadership and community service. The criteria for the scholarships are as follows:

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#### Greenville Technical College Dreamer Scholarship (\$1,500):

- Male or female high school senior from Upstate, SC attending college in Summer or Fall of 2016
- Cumulative GPA of 2.7 or greater
- Demonstrated leadership and community service
- Acceptance and attendance to Greenville Technical College
- Must be available to attend the MLK Dreams in Action Program on January 16, 2016, at 9:00a.m., at the Greenville Technical College Barton Campus Auditorium, in order to accept scholarship award

#### USC Upstate Dreamer Scholarship (\$3,000):

- Male or female high school senior from Upstate, SC attending college in Fall of 2016
- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or greater
- Demonstrated leadership and community service
- Acceptance and attendance to USC Upstate
- Must be available to attend the MLK Dreams in Action Program on January 16, 2016, at 9:00a.m., at the Greenville Technical College Barton Campus Auditorium, in order to accept scholarship award

#### Furman Dreamer Scholarship (\$60,000 - \$15,000 per year):

- Male or female high school senior from an accredited public or private high school in the Upstate of SC
- Admitted to Furman as an incoming freshman and full-time attendance in Fall of 2016
- Minimum of a 3.25 cumulative GPA
- Demonstrated leadership and service both in school and in the community
- Commitment to continuing leadership and community service while enrolled at Furman
- Must be available to attend the MLK Dreams in Action Program on January 16, 2016, at 9:00a.m., at the Greenville Technical College Barton Campus Auditorium, in order to accept scholarship award

#### Clemson Dreamer Scholarship (\$16,000 - \$4,000 per year):

- Male or female high school senior from Upstate, SC attending college in Fall of 2016
- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or greater
- Acceptance and attendance to Clemson University
- Demonstrated leadership and service both in school and in the community
- Must be available to attend the MLK Dreams in Action Program on January 16, 2016, at 9:00a.m., at the Greenville Technical College Barton Campus Auditorium, in order to accept scholarship award

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### Michelin North America MLK Dreamer Scholarship (\$5,000):

Male high school senior from Upstate, SC attending college full-time in Fall of 2016

- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or greater
- Demonstrated leadership and community service
- Acceptance and full-time attendance at an accredited four-year institution of higher education for the Fall of 2016. Applicant should pursue a Baccalaureate degree in a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics) discipline of choice (includes degrees in Biological Sciences [except medicine and other clinical fields]; Physical Sciences, Mathematical Sciences, Computer and Information Sciences, Geosciences, Engineering and Technology)
- Must be available to attend the MLK Dreams in Action Program on January 16, 2016, at 9:00a.m., at the Greenville Technical College Barton Campus Auditorium, in order to accept scholarship award

### Michelin North America CSK Dreamer Scholarship (\$5,000):

- Female high school senior from Upstate, SC attending college in Fall of 2016
- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or greater
- Demonstrated leadership and community service
- Acceptance and full-time attendance at an accredited four-year institution of higher education for the Fall of 2016. Applicant should pursue a Baccalaureate degree in a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics) discipline of choice (includes degrees in Biological Sciences [except medicine and other clinical fields]; Physical Sciences, Mathematical Sciences, Computer and Information Sciences, Geosciences, Engineering and Technology)
- Must be available to attend the MLK Dreams in Action Program on January 16, 2016, at 9:00a.m., at the Greenville Technical College Barton Campus Auditorium, in order to accept scholarship award

### ECPI College Dreamer Scholarships (\$5,000):

- Male or female high school senior from Upstate, SC attending college in Fall of 2016
- Must start school by September of 2016
- Cumulative GPA of 2.0 or greater
- Demonstrated leadership and community service
- Acceptance and attendance to ECPI College
- Must be available to attend the MLK Dreams in Action Program on January 16, 2016, at 9:00a.m., at the Greenville Technical College Barton Campus Auditorium, in order to accept scholarship award

### AALG Dreamer Scholarship (\$2,000):

- Male or female high school senior from Upstate, SC attending college in Fall of 2016
- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or greater
- Demonstrated leadership and community service
- Acceptance and full-time attendance at an accredited institution of higher education for the Fall of 2016
- Must be available to attend the MLK Dreams in Action Program on January 16, 2016, at 9:00a.m., at the Greenville Technical College Barton Campus Auditorium, in order to accept scholarship award

**Applicants can apply for multiple scholarships, on one application. However, applicants must study criteria for specific scholarships before applying.**

**All scholarships are subject to funding availability.**

### PLEASE MAIL ALL MATERIALS TO:

ATTENTION MLK Scholarships  
Urban League of the Upstate  
15 Regency Hill Drive  
Greenville, SC 29607

THE DEADLINE FOR ALL MATERIALS IS OCTOBER 31, 2015. ALL MATERIALS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY THIS DATE! LATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. RECOMMENDATION LETTERS MUST BE CURRENT.

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## JANUARY 16, 2016

### MLK Dream Weekend Scholarship Application

Please print or type • Application Deadline – October 31, 2015 • Only one application per student required

First Name:			Middle Name:			Last Name:		
Sex : <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female			Date of Birth:     /     /					
Citizenship: <input type="checkbox"/> US Citizen <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Citizen <input type="checkbox"/> Neither Citizen nor Eligible Citizen								
Phone Number:			E-mail Address:					
Address:								
City:			State:			Zip:		
Current School:			Cumulative GPA:					
Father's Name:			Father's Employer/Occupation:					
Mother's Name:			Mother's Employer/Occupation:					
With whom do you reside?: <input type="checkbox"/> Father <input type="checkbox"/> Mother <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ (list)								
Income/Dependents:			Total Family Gross Income Per Year \$ _____					
			Total number of dependent children in household _____					
			Total number of siblings attending college Fall of 2016 _____					
I am applying for the following scholarship(s):								
<div style="list-style-type: none; padding-left: 0;"><input type="checkbox"/> Greenville Technical College Dreamer \$1,500 (Male/Female - Greenville Technical College) <input type="checkbox"/> USC Upstate Dreamer Scholarship \$3,000 (Male/Female - USC Upstate) <input type="checkbox"/> Furman Dreamer Scholarship \$60,000 - \$15,000 per year (Male/Female - Furman University) <input type="checkbox"/> Clemson Dreamer Scholarship \$16,000 - \$4,000 per year (Male/Female - Clemson University) <input type="checkbox"/> Michelin North America MLK Dreamer Scholarship \$5,000 (Male - College of Choice) <input type="checkbox"/> Michelin North America CSK Dreamer Scholarship \$5,000 (Female - College of Choice) <input type="checkbox"/> ECPI College Dreamer Scholarships \$5,000 (Male/Female- ECPI) <input type="checkbox"/> AALG Dreamer Scholarship \$2,000 (Male/Female - College of Choice)</div>								
College Information (in order of preference):								
College Name:			Tuition per year:			Room & Board per year:		
_____			\$ _____			\$ _____		
_____			\$ _____			\$ _____		
_____			\$ _____			\$ _____		
Intended College Major: _____ Minor: _____								
Career Goal:								



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### MLK Dream Scholarship

#### Required Documentation

#### Please Attach the Following:

- ☐ Autobiography (a minimum of 250 words and maximum of 500 words). Include extracurricular activities, leadership experience, work experience, community service, honors and special awards. Discuss any obstacles that you have overcome, indicating how each has impacted your life. Please provide the committee with any pertinent information which you would like us to consider in reviewing your application.
- ☐ Two current letters of recommendation: one from a school personnel (counselor, teacher, principal, coach, etc.) and one from an organization for which you have provided community service.
- ☐ Current copy of your official transcript (must contain the school seal and be in a sealed envelope). The cumulative GPA must be at least 2.0 (2.7 for Greenville Tech and 3.25 for Furman) on a 4.0 scale.


#### Applicant Agreement

#### Please Read, Complete and Sign:

1. It is understood that false statements on this application shall be sufficient cause for rejection of this application. I, \_\_\_\_\_, certify that all information given is accurate.
2. I, \_\_\_\_\_, fully understand that if I am awarded this scholarship I must submit the following information by Fall of 2016 or the scholarship will be forfeited.
  - a) Enrollment form from attending college.
  - b) Scholarship recipient's request for scholarship funds must be received in writing no later than two weeks prior to the time funds are to be forwarded to the college.
  - c) Scholarship recipient's Social Security Number and the name and address of the college are to be included in the letter requesting funds.
3. It is my understanding that the scholarship will be awarded 1/2 per semester and paid directly to the school.
4. My academic and campus activities may be released to the MLK Dream Scholarship Committee at the end of each quarter or semester. All information will be kept in the strictest of confidence.
5. I, \_\_\_\_\_, fully understand that all of my materials must be sent via postal mail to: 15 Regency Hill Drive, Greenville, SC 29607, as one complete packet and no materials will be accepted via email. (Official transcripts are allowed to be mailed in a separate envelope from the school).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent or Guardian's Signature



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### Please mail completed application forms and materials to:

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Greenville, SC 29607

No materials will be accepted via email. All incomplete packets will be disqualified.  
Scholarship packets are available online at [www.urbanleagueupstate.org](http://www.urbanleagueupstate.org).

### DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS:

October 31, 2015

(Applications postmarked by October 31, 2015 will be accepted.)

For all inquiries associated with scholarships (including confirmation of receipt of materials) please contact us via email at [mlk@urbanleagueupstate.org](mailto:mlk@urbanleagueupstate.org).  
A reply will be provided within 24-48 hours.

### MLK Dream's in Action Program

Saturday, January 16, 2016

9:00a.m., at the Greenville Technical College Barton Campus Auditorium