



LES GEMMES, INC.
WASHINGTON D.C. Chapter
2021 Annual Florence Easley Building a Brighter Future Scholarship Program

I. Purpose

The purpose of the Washington, D.C. Chapter of Les Gemmes, Inc. scholarship program is to assist graduating high school seniors who have been accepted into an institution of higher learning (two or four-year college or university, technical school, secretarial school, or other accredited institution) and/or college students who are currently enrolled in an accredited institution (as previously described), to continue their education. The “Florence Easley Building a Brighter Future Scholarship” is awarded annually. Students who remain in good standing may re-apply for this scholarship annually, provided they are still enrolled in an accredited institution of higher learning.

II. Eligibility

1. Applicant’s permanent home address must be in **Washington, D.C.**;
2. Applicant is a graduating college bound high school senior or a student currently enrolled in an accredited institution (college, university or trade school) pursuing an associate’s or bachelor’s degree;
3. Individuals pursuing a graduate’s degree or higher are not eligible;
4. Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 and Maximum of 3.0 and;
5. Applicants must be a U.S. citizen.

III. Application Requirements

To be considered for the Florence Easley Building a Brighter Future Scholarship, applicants **must** complete an application and return it to Les Gemmes Inc., Washington, D.C. Chapter by **April 30, 2021**. The application must include the following:

1. A completed application form. (**Only completed scholarship applications will be considered**);
2. Official high school, college or trade school transcript;
3. An acceptance letter from an accredited university, college, or trade school (if applicant is a high school senior);
4. **Two** letters of recommendation (1 personal from a volunteer advisor and 1 academic on school letterhead) It must be in a **sealed envelope**;
5. Demonstrated leadership with a service project or evidence of community service
6. Submission of a typed resume or biography (**150 to maximum of 300 words**)
7. Submission of a one-page essay on the following question:
 - a. If you had the authority to change your community in a positive way, what specific changes would you make and why?
8. All applicants will be notified by email of final decision by May 30, 2021. The awardee will be contacted by email and written letter.

IV. Amount of Award

The award amount is \$2,000.

V. Submission of Application Form

The application form starting on page 3 is a fillable PDF file. Please complete the form electronically, then “**Save a Copy**”. Note that the application **requires a signature**. You may provide an electronic signature, or print out the completed application, sign it and **mail in** the printed application. For the resume/biography, you may use the page included in the application form or attach a separate page.

Completed printed applications; and high school, college or trade school transcripts may be mailed to:

Les Gemmes, Inc.

Washington, D.C. Chapter

2120 Catherine Fran Drive

Accokeek, Maryland 20607

VI. Submission of Letters of Recommendation

Letters of recommendation must be **signed and mailed** to Les Gemmes, Inc. Washington, D.C. Chapter at the mailing address above. The letter should indicate the capacity in which the recommender knows the applicant, e.g., as a student, employee, or other capacity. In addition, the recommender should include their contact information.

Questions about the application process may be directed to Germain Tyer, Scholarship Committee Chair at dclesgemmesscholarship@gmail.com.

Note: All application materials must be received or postmarked by April 30, 2021.

A. Applicant's General Information				
Last Name		First Name:		Middle:
Address:				
City:		State:		Zip Code:
Email Address:				
Birth Date:			Telephone Number:	
Parent(s) or Guardian(s)	Name:		Relationship:	
How many children, including yourself, are dependents in your family?:				
How many persons in your family work to support the family?:				
B. Education Information				
High School Attended:	Name:			
	City:		State:	
Year Graduated:		GPA:		SAT:
College/University Planned To Attend:	Name:			
	City:		State:	
School/College/University Currently Attending:	Name:			
	City:		State:	
C. Awards and Honors				
D. Extra-curricular activities including school, church or community and indicate your role (i.e., served as chairperson)				
Activities			Role	
E. List summer or part-time employment:				

Please write a one-page essay answering the question “If you had the authority to change your community in a positive way, what specific changes would you make and why?” The paragraph *MUST* be typed.