



DALLAS AREA GERONTOLOGICAL SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Dear Scholarship Applicant:

The Dallas Area Gerontological Society was founded with the intent to educate the community about gerontology, advocate for elderly persons and promote improved services for elderly persons. DAGS will be offering one or more scholarships for full-time or part-time students for the 2018-2019 academic year. The scholarship program provides financial assistance to those preparing for a career in gerontology or those currently working in an aging field, who wish to increase their skills through either a degree or certificate program.

Eligibility for Scholarship:

- (1) Individuals who live in the Greater Dallas area,
- (2) Who are seeking careers in gerontology, including social work, counseling, nursing and administration, or who are currently working in the field of aging
- (3) Must be enrolled or accepted by college or program before funds will be released.

Please note that applications sent without the following documents will not be considered:

Application for Scholarship must be received by June 15, 2018 and should include:

- (1) A completed application form (this may be submitted online or printed and mailed in)
- (2) A one page essay addressing career goals and why you want the scholarship
- (3) Proof of enrollment or acceptance at an accredited university or certificate program prior to the release of funds
- (4) Two letters of recommendation: 1 academic and 1 personal letter of recommendation.

If this is the first educational program to be entered after substantial time period, a letter of recommendation from an employer will be accepted in lieu of the academic reference.

Finalists will be interviewed by the scholarship committee prior to the selection of the recipient(s) of the scholarship. Scholarship amounts have ranged from \$500 to \$4000 in recent years.

Payment of the scholarship will be made directly to the Registrar Office of the university, college or certificate program.

The scholarship committee will announce the scholarship award in the summer, 2018. The recipient will be requested to attend the DAGS Fall Forum on October 18th, 2018 in order to accept their scholarship.

Application packets should be sent to: Matt Newton
1400 Moccasin Trail, Suite 6
Lewisville, Texas 75077
e-mail: apply@dags.org



Dallas Area Gerontological Society
Letter of Recommendation

This section is to be completed by the applicant and given to the person asked to offer the reference. (Please print or type.)

Name of Applicant _____

Name of school and program you plan to attend _____

Name of person offering reference _____ Daytime telephone # _____

Position/Title _____ Business or Institution _____

Address _____
Street or P. O. Box City, State Zip

The DAGS scholarship committee would appreciate a statement from you about the applicant named above.

How long have you known the applicant? _____ In what capacity? _____

Please circle your response about the applicant in the following areas:

- *Intellectual Potential: Poor, Fair, Good, Very Good, Excellent, Unable to Judge
*Motivation for program of study: Poor, Fair, Good, Very Good, Excellent, Unable to Judge
*Ability to complete planned academic program successfully: Poor, Fair, Good, Very Good, Excellent, Unable to Judge
*Commitment to field of gerontology: Poor, Fair, Good, Very Good, Excellent, Unable to Judge

The scholarship committee encourages additional comments.

Please return this statement directly to the DAGS scholarship committee chairperson by June 15, 2018.

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