



“Empowering Dominican Youth Through Economic Excellence”

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AWARD APPLICATION PACKET

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DEADLINE: This year’s application packet postmark deadline is **April 3rd, 2017.**

AM I ELIGIBLE? Please REVIEW the following minimum eligibility requirements:

- The student and/or one of the parents must be of Dominican decent, born in the Dominican Republic.
- The student must be between the ages of 12 through 18 years old.
- The student must be enrolled in middle school or high school in Maryland or the Washington D.C. Metropolitan area at the time applying.
- The student must submit a 2nd quarter Report Card that includes current GPA,
- Two (2) Letters Recommendation from their teachers
- Personal Essay, the student must provide additional information on their qualifications for this award pertaining to their overall extra- curricular activities and/or other personal attributes.

EXCLUSION CRITERIA

Students may **only** be awarded once in Middle School and/or once in High School.

High School Seniors are not eligible for this award. A suggested list of links for use by students who are currently seniors in high school can be found on our website: www.sdmfoundation.org.

NOTIFICATIONS

The Susana de Moya Foundation Education Committee will select the winner in **May 7, 2017** after reviewing the Application packets and results of the telephone interview.

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Application Packet **SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:**

CHECKLIST

Incomplete application packets will not be considered and will be disqualified.

- SDMF Application - a completed and signed Application.
- Birth Certificate: as proof of Dominican origin,
 - Student must submit a copy of their Dominican Birth Certificate.
 - If the Parent is the qualifying party, they may submit a copy of their Dominican Passport, Birth Certificate or Cedula de Identidad (I.D.).
- Student’s current Report Card - a copy of their 2nd Quarter Report Card and GPA (this document must come directly from the schools’ counselor, sealed in an envelope, and mailed directly to:
Susana de Moya Foundation, P.O. Box 5413 Towson, MD 21285-0040.
- Personal Essay – The student must write a Personal Essay. The essay can be written in English or in Spanish.
- Extra-Curricular Activities: A list of community services, activities and/or other personal attributes..
- Two (2) Teacher Recommendations: Each recommendation must be on School letterhead and signed by the teacher. The recommendation letters must include the student’s name, grade, the name of the school, the school’s address, the student’s grade level, teacher’s contact information: name, phone, email address and the academic subject taught. The letters must be mailed directly to: *Susana de Moya Foundation, P.O. Box 5413 Towson, MD 21285-0040.*
- Telephone Interview: The student and their Parent(s) or Guardian(s) will participate in a telephone interview conducted by a Board Member of the SDMF.

All completed and signed Applications with requested documents can be mailed to: *Susana de Moya Foundation, P.O. Box 5413 Towson, MD 21285-0040.* Applications can also be submitted electronically via email to: sdmfoundation@yahoo.com, no later than **April 3rd, 2017.**

For questions, please email SDMF, Education Committee Award Applications Communications, at sdmfoundation@yahoo.com

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Award 2017 - Student Essay (Composición)

Please Print Legibly

Student's Name: _____

School's Name: _____

Write a personal essay that reflects on your life. In your essay be sure to describe yourself including many of your strengths as a student and member of the Dominican community. Explain how some of your life experiences have shaped who you are today. Reflect on some of your goals for the future.

Attach a hand written or typed version of the essay to this form.

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(Escribe una composición personal que refleje tu vida. En tu composición asegúrate de describirte a ti mismo incluyendo tus capacidades de liderazgo como estudiante y miembro de la comunidad dominicana. Explica cómo algunas de las experiencias de tu vida te han ayudado a ser como eres ahora. Háblanos de algunas de tus metas para el futuro. Adjunta a este formulario al ensayo escrito a mano o en una computadora.)

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## **Award 2017 - Teacher Recommendation Letter and Form**

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Recommendation Form to be filled out by teacher who will be writing references:

Student's Name : \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_

School's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Subject: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's phone / email : \_\_\_\_\_

*Please use the following scoring system to identify the personal and academic attributes of the student. Circle the appropriate number.*

| <i>Attributes</i>            | Unsatisfactory | Needs Improvement | Satisfactory | Above Average | Outstanding | unknown |
|------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|--------------|---------------|-------------|---------|
| LEADERSHIP                   | 1              | 2                 | 3            | 4             | 5           |         |
| RESPONSIBILITY               | 1              | 2                 | 3            | 4             | 5           |         |
| INTELLECTUAL CURIOSITY       | 1              | 2                 | 3            | 4             | 5           |         |
| CONSCIENTIOUS                | 1              | 2                 | 3            | 4             | 5           |         |
| INTELLECTUAL CAPABILITY      | 1              | 2                 | 3            | 4             | 5           |         |
| CIVIC DUTY                   | 1              | 2                 | 3            | 4             | 5           |         |
| EXTRA CURRICULAR INVOLVEMENT | 1              | 2                 | 3            | 4             | 5           |         |
| COOPERATION                  | 1              | 2                 | 3            | 4             | 5           |         |
| STUDY HABITS                 | 1              | 2                 | 3            | 4             | 5           |         |
| CREATIVITY                   | 1              | 2                 | 3            | 4             | 5           |         |

### Teacher Recommendation Letter:

We would greatly appreciate if you would briefly reflect on this student as a candidate for the Susana de Moya Foundation Award by answering the following questions:

- Why is this student a good candidate for the SDMF Award?
- How would this student benefit from receiving the SDMF Award?

The letter of recommendation, must be signed and written on the school's stationery, addressed to the Susana de Moya Foundation, in a sealed envelope, and mailed directly from the school to: **Susana de Moya Foundation, P.O. Box 5413 Towson, MD 21285-0040.**

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