



Jeff Byer Memorial Scholarship Fund of Big Brothers Big Sisters of the National Capital Area

"One of the best investments any of us can make for our communities and our country is in the futures of young people. We believe our investment of time and money in this organization will have a positive and long-term effect on the futures of many of our area youth and indirectly on all of us." Jeff and Myrna Byer

Introduction

Jeff Byer began his relationship with Big Brothers of the National Capital Area in 1992 when he became a Big Brother. Jeff later joined the Board of Directors of Big Brothers Big Sisters and he and his wife, Myrna Rosen Byer, were involved with BBBSNCA for 11 years. Together, they raised thousands of dollars for Big Brothers Big Sisters. Both Jeff and his wife became strong advocates for and significant philanthropic investors in the agency and its programs. Jeff died in 2003.

The Jeff Byer Memorial Scholarship Fund is endowed through the Philip & Dorothy Byer Philanthropic Fund of the Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Kansas City. The fund is managed by Big Brothers Big Sisters of the National Capital Area in Lanham, MD20706.

Purpose of Scholarship

The Jeff Byer Memorial Scholarship was created to enhance a Little Brother or Little Sister's academic and/or cultural pursuits.

Amount Available

The Byer Scholarship offers scholarships to boys and girls in single-parent families who are currently matched with Big Brother or Big Sister volunteer mentors through the Big Brothers Big Sisters of the National Capital Area mentoring programs.

Scholarships will range from \$250 to \$2,500 on a one-time basis for a Little Brother or a Little Sister to enjoy academic and/or cultural activities and opportunities.

Examples include college and high school tuition supplements; lessons, including but not limited to, singing, musical instruments, computer, dance, art, and language.

The Byer Fund will not cover funding for karate or other sports lessons nor church-affiliated or political party affiliated programs.

Qualifications of Candidates

Each applicant must

- Be a Little Brother or a Little Sister actively matched with a Big Brother or a Big Sister through Big Brothers Big Sisters of the National Capital Area for ***at least one year***
- Be part of a single-parent family
- Complete and submit the application on the following pages to be considered
- Submit with the application an estimate or letter from the supplier indicating the academic/cultural activities to be pursued or the tuition supplement needed and cost

Deadline for Applications for funding in the year 2005

The first submission date is January 25, 2005. Applications are received throughout the year Responses will be made within 30-45 days of receipt of the application.

Contacts

The Jeff Byer Memorial Scholarship Fund is managed by Myrna Rosen Byer and the BBBSNCA professional staff Leadership Team

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JEFF BYER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND APPLICATION

APPLICATION
(Please print or type)

I. Applicant Information

Name of Applicant _____

Address _____

City and State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone Number _____ E-Mail Address _____

Applicant is part of Single-Parent Family? ____ Yes ____ No ____ Age ____ Grade

Ethnicity: ____ Caucasian ____ African American ____ Latino/Hispanic
____ Asian ____ More than One Race ____ Other - please specify

Annual Household Income: _____ \$19,000 or less _____ \$20,000-34,999

_____ \$35,000-49,999 _____ \$50,000 +

II. Parent/Guardian Information

Name _____

Address _____

City and State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Telephone Number _____

Work Telephone Number _____

May you be contacted by e-mail? ____ Yes ____ No

Home e-mail _____

Work e-mail _____

III. BBBSNCA Match Information

_____ Yes, applicant is currently matched and is active with a Big Brother or Big Sister through Big Brothers Big Sisters of the National Capital Area

Name of Big _____ How long matched? _____ year(s)

Name of BBBSNCA Coordinator _____

IV. Academic and/or Enhanced Learning Information

Name of School Currently Attending _____

Address _____

Name of institution for which you are requesting funds _____

Address _____

Name of academic and/or cultural activity opportunity _____

From _____ To _____ Cost _____

Supplies needed _____

Why do you want to take this class or why do you need a tuition supplement? _____

_____ Yes, I am enclosing an estimate, letter or flyer indicating the organization's classes, program's length of time and cost to the student and deadline for payment.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Big Brother or Big Sister Signature _____

Applications are accepted beginning January 25, 2005 and continue throughout the year. Responses will be made within 30-45 days of receipt of application.

Mail completed applications to: **Big Brothers Big Sisters of the National Capital Area
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