

**THE GENERAL TOUSSAINT LOUVERTURE (BREDA) SCHOLARSHIPS.**  
**c/o Haitian-Americans United, Inc. (HAU)**  
**Address: P. O. Box 260440. Mattapan, MA 02126, Ph. (617) 298-2976**

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- I- **Demographic.** To be considered for scholarship awards, applicants must be:
- A- either Haitian Citizen or born of Haitian parent (s) and resident of the United States,
  - B- Between the age of 16 and 26
  - C- Knowledgeable of their Haitian heritage and culture, and/or can factually demonstrate any past or present involvement with the community (fact could be an acknowledgement letter or someone familiar with such involvement)
- II- **Academic Profile.** This scholarship is intended primarily to assist those students who are currently enrolled in or are seeking admission to a 2-4 year accredited undergraduate degree program or a vocational institution. Therefore, an applicant for this scholarship must satisfy the following guidelines:
- A- Be a high school graduate, or a high school senior, has passed his/her GED and is already admitted or applying to College/University or vocational school,
  - B- Has **at least** a current GPA (Grade Point Average) of 2.5, for first time applicant and definitely 3.0 or higher for those reapplying
  - C- Receive matriculation status from school (12+ hrs. per semester or as otherwise stipulated in votech manual).
  - D- Major is optional; however, preference will be given to those applicants pursuing a degree in science (natural or social, political), health, math, journalism, religion, humanities, engineering, business administration.
- III- **Submitting Application. The deadline: April 22, for upcoming academic year**
- A- All applications for the T. Louverture Scholarship must be received between March 1, and April 22.
  - B- Application package will include:
    - 1- a letter of interest addressed to the Board of Directors of Haitian-Americans United, Inc. (HAU), stating applicant's qualifications, name, gender, age, his/her Haitian connection, concentration or field of interest and the academic year for which applicant is applying.

- 2- School transcripts (will be waved for GED holders applying as freshman), and acceptance letter to school
- 3- three (3) letters of reference: preferably, two from teachers/mentors/instructors, & one from a clergy, a community agency, a parent/guardian.

C- **Reapplying for T. Louverture scholarship awards.** Currently, this scholarship is being awarded on a one time basis only and for the academic year mentioned in the letter of interest. However, applicant may reapply for subsequent academic year.

D- Applicant is required to submit along with his/her application a one to two (1-2) Page essay focusing on the past, or present state of affairs in Haiti or the expatriated Haitian Community (Diaspora) and his/her perspectives on the country's future or the stated community.

#### **IV- The applications review process and notification of awards.**

A- All applications received by the deadlines and with the supporting documentation will go to an internal review panel for examination,

B- Each individual panelist will assign a score per application, and the particular applicant's scores will be added up. The scores will be ranked and applicant (s) with the highest score will be awarded a scholarship,

C- All scholarship awards will be announced at the same time of every year: by May 18 (by phone and/or in writing),

#### **V- Scholarship Awards Availability and the Use thereof**

A- Awards are contingent upon funding availability. The amount to be awarded to any one applicant per academic year depends both on the number of qualified applicants, and the availability of funds.

B- Once the award is announced, the full amount, to cover tuition, will be forwarded before or during the school year to the designated academic institution or votech which the recipient is affiliated with,

C- The scholarship may be given directly to an applicant to cover school expenses such as books, room and board, and school fees. In either case, receipt will be required from recipient.

VI- **Follow up:** Applicants must maintain HAU with current information about themselves (current mailing address, and phone number), as well as their attendance at an institution of higher education.

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