

ACLU of Utah Youth Activist 2010 Scholarship Program Application

Please submit this completed application to the Youth Activist Scholarship Program, ACLU of Utah, 355 North 300 West, Salt Lake City, UT 84103, by November 10, 2009.
Please print.

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION *(to be completed by applicant)*

First Name: _____ M.I. _____ Last Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Date of Birth: _____

High School: _____

Current GPA: _____

How did you first learn about the ACLU Youth Scholarship Program?

Please Note: The purpose of the ACLU Foundation scholarship is to provide young civil liberties activists with financial assistance in obtaining a college degree. The scholarship is intended to pay for tuition and room/board for the recipient's first year of college, and will be sent directly to the college's office of financial aid. In the event that the recipient should receive a full scholarship from his/her college and does not need to pay for these expenses, the scholarship can only be used for other direct educational expenses for the recipient's first year of college, to be distributed through a school-sanctioned account, i.e. a student account in the official school bookstore. The scholarship can not be used for specific or individual purchases, such as a computer, lab fees, or items for a dorm room. Any remaining funds that cannot be used by the recipient for direct educational expenses will be given to the recipient's nominating ACLU affiliate to be used for youth outreach and programming. All funds must be distributed by February 2011 and any remaining amount will be similarly given to the nominating affiliate. Funds can only be distributed once, and any additional scholarship funding that is sent to the affiliate can not be recalled. No funds can be given directly to the scholarship winner into a private account, and funds can not be sent to the university and then reimbursed as cash to the recipient.

For the applicants: I agree to the rules of the ACLU Foundation scholarship process. I affirm that the information enclosed in the application is accurate and original to me, and I authorize the American Civil Liberties Union Foundation to reproduce, distribute, create derivative works of and publicly display my essay in all media now known or hereafter developed in connection with its mission, including for promotional purposes. If I am a recipient of the 2010 ACLU Youth Scholarship, I grant the ACLU Foundation the right to use my name, likeness, and biographical information in all media in connection with ACLU Foundation's mission, including promotional materials without any further compensation or permission.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

For applicants under 18: Consent from a Parent or Legal Guardian is also required

I, _____ represent that I am the [parent/guardian] of the above named individual. I have read the foregoing and fully understand the contents hereof. I hereby consent to the foregoing on his/her behalf.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

B. HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT

Please submit to the ACLU of Utah your most recent transcript to demonstrate the GPA requirement.

C. ESSAY

On separate pages, please attach a personal statement of 1,000 words or less describing your civil liberties activism. Please include a combination of the following: your understanding of what it means to be a civil liberties activist, specific examples of how you have demonstrated your dedication to civil liberties, challenges that you had to overcome in doing so, how you showed leadership in your actions, and how you plan on continuing your activism in college and beyond.

D. RECOMMENDATION FORM

Section I – To be completed by the applicant.

Name of applicant: _____

Name/Title of Reference: _____

I waive do not waive my right to access information on the recommendation form. *The ACLU does not require that you waive your right to review the recommendations in your file as a condition for award of a scholarship. However, you have the option of signing such a waiver in the event that your reference requires that you waive access to the recommendation. If you waive the right to access information on the recommendation form, please ensure that the ACLU of Utah receives the recommendation in a sealed envelope.*

Section II – To be completed by applicant’s reference (not a family member).

On an attached page, please type the answers to the following questions:

1. In what capacity and how long have you known the applicant?
2. How has the applicant shown his/her commitment and activism to civil liberties?
Please provide specific examples.
3. How has the applicant shown leadership and teamwork in his/her community, both through his/her activism and otherwise. Please provide specific examples.
4. How do you see the applicant continuing his/her civil liberties activism in college?
5. Additional comments (including information regarding financial need):

Name: _____ Title/Position _____

School/Organization/Employer: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____