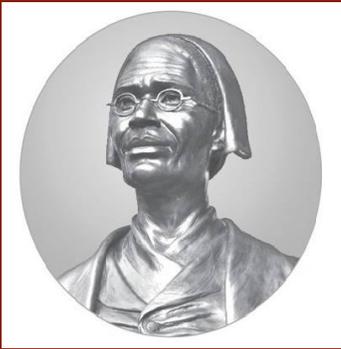


Sojourner Truth Memorial Committee



THE SOJOURNER TRUTH SCHOLARSHIP FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE



We are proud that residents of this region have a remarkable historical heritage. Many individuals were deeply involved in the abolition of slavery and the support of women's rights, most especially, Sojourner Truth. It is our goal and our privilege to honor young people who carry this heritage forward in their own way.

Who Can Apply?

All Hampshire or Hampden County public high school seniors who have been active in social justice efforts and plan to attend college or postsecondary school.

How Are Scholarship Recipients Recognized?

Recipients will be asked to meet briefly with some members of our committee in late April. Scholarships are awarded at the annual celebration on the Sunday before Memorial Day at the Sojourner Truth Memorial Statue Park in Florence. Up to three \$1,000 scholarships may be awarded.

How to Apply

The application requires submitting an essay of 2 or 3 double-spaced pages (800–1200 words) telling about your social justice project(s) along with pertinent biographical information. Apply online by April 25, 2017, at www.sojournertruthmemorial.org/scholarship/application or by US mail. (Paper applications are available in all Hampshire/Hampden County public high school guidance offices.) Questions may be directed to: Carol Rinehart at carolvrinehart@gmail.com.

Application Deadline: April 25, 2017

Sojourner Truth Scholarship for Social Justice Application Form

Name _____

Address _____

School _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Instructions

Please submit an essay (800-1200 words, typed and double-spaced) describing your experience working for social justice in your school or your community.

- Describe your social justice project(s).
- Explain what motivated you to choose the particular project, what the project involved, how you felt about it and how your work relates to the life and works of Sojourner Truth. Include specific references about her work.
- Give some examples of how it addresses the broad goals of social justice (such as reducing economic inequality, improving human rights, promoting diversity, or working to end violence, racism and discrimination).
- Tell us about any plans to continue your social justice work after high school.
- Briefly share any other biographical information that pertains to your work for social justice.

Essays will be evaluated on the basis of:

- Leadership and initiative with activities or projects (55%)
- Relevance drawn between Sojourner Truth and your goals (30%)
- Attention to writing and grammar (15%)

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Options for Submitting Your Application:

- Apply online at sojournertruthmemorial.org/scholarship/application.
- Email your application to carolvrinehart@gmail.com.
- Mail your application to Sojourner Truth Memorial Committee, Box 60405, Florence, MA 01062

Questions? Contact Carol Rinehart at carolvrinehart@gmail.com.