



## 2020 OutFront MN College Scholarship Fund Application

### About OutFront Minnesota

OutFront Minnesota is the largest statewide organization advocating for and serving lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ+) Minnesotans. OutFront Minnesota's mission is to create a state where LGBTQ+ people are free to be who they are, love who they love, and live without fear of violence, harassment, or discrimination. We are leading Minnesota toward LGBTQ+ equity through a combination of public policy, legal and individual advocacy, and education.

The purpose of the OutFront Minnesota College Scholarship Fund is to provide financial assistance to graduating high school students and/or current college students who work toward LGBTQ+ equity and plan on attending an institution of higher learning. This \$12,000 scholarship will equal \$3000 per annum paid out over four years. If the recipient attends college for less than four years, the scholarship will be shortened appropriately, i.e., if the recipient attends a two year college, the scholarship will be awarded for two years for a total of \$6,000. Annual reviews will be conducted to ensure recipients are maintaining their academic standing and the scholarship may be terminated for failure to do so.

The founder of this scholarship program, Dan Livak, has created this Fund to support LGBTQ+ students with their education. Dan has been on his own since he was 16 years old. He knows how challenging it can be to work full time while still working through school without a support network. This Fund was created to provide some financial assistance to make going to college a little easier.

### Scholarship Candidate Criteria

College Scholarship Fund Candidate Criteria:

- ✓ Current college student or MN student graduating from high school in Spring 2020
- ✓ Member of the LGBTQ+ community (or an ally) who has demonstrated commitment to working toward LGBTQ+ equity
- ✓ Planning on attending an accredited college or university within the U.S.

\* LGBTQ+ people of color and trans/transgender/gender non-conforming people are encouraged to apply.\*

Applications are due by June 1, 2020. Interviews will occur with the finalists in April/May. The scholarship recipient will be notified by July 31, 2020.

### Program Requirements

*ALL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS MUST AGREE WITH & COMMIT TO THE FOLLOWING:*

- ✓ Maintain enrollment as a full-time student at a 4-year or 2-year college or university.
- ✓ Earn a minimum 2.5 grade point average each semester.
- ✓ Volunteer at a minimum of one (1) OutFront Minnesota community event per year (if attending school outside of Minnesota, organization has to be OutFront adjacent or fighting for LGBTQ equity).
- ✓ Have a check-in call or in-person meeting with the founder of this scholarship program.

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- ✓ Funds are paid directly to the school and deposited into the recipient's college account. Other arrangements may be possible upon request.
- ✓ Funds are paid following the receipt of an official verification of enrollment from recipient during their first semester and official transcript following every semester after.
- ✓ OutFront Minnesota reserves the right to terminate a scholarship if the recipient displays acts of poor character, is placed on academic or judicial probation, or repeatedly fails to meet the GPA requirement of 2.5

### Application Instructions

To finalize your application - please make sure that you have your school send an Official High/College School Transcript (must be sealed by School Registrar and include the Official Seal) to our office, send us a copy of your family's 2019 Tax Return (or your own if you are not a dependent), and written confirmation of completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Submit online application by **June 1, 2020**.

If desired, you can also submit letters of reference.

Any additional documents that you may wish to send, must be mailed to OutFront Minnesota, Attn: Ophir Gilad - Scholarship, 1337, 310 E 38th St #209, Minneapolis, MN 55409, or personally delivered to the office.

### Applicant

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Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MI: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)  
Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Personal Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Pronouns: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sexual Orientation: \_\_\_\_\_ Race/Ethnicity: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tribal Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

### High School

(If your GPA is under a 2.5, there will be a narrative portion for you to expand and give context)

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)  
School District: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Rank: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_  
(optional)

**Extra Curricular Activities**

Add additional sheets or a resume if necessary

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Activity	Description	Role	Length
1. _____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____	_____
6. _____	_____	_____	_____

**LIST ALL SCHOOLS YOU HAVE APPLIED TO AND STATUS OF APPLICATION:**

If you applied to more schools, please attach an additional list and provide copies of all acceptance or waitlist letters.

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School Name	City	State	Status
1. _____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____	_____
6. _____	_____	_____	_____

Intended Field of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

***What is your first college choice or the college you have been accepted to/plan to attend?***

School Name	City	State	Status
1. _____	_____	_____	_____

Tuition cost: \_\_\_\_\_

Room & Board: \_\_\_\_\_

Books & Supplies: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Expenses: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe other expenses:

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### Financial Considerations

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Income Listed on 2019 Tax Returns (Please attach copy): \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Family Contribution (EFC) Determination from 2019 FAFSA: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you on free or reduced lunch?     Yes             No

Siblings & Ages:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_                      3. \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_                      4. \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

### List All Scholarships/Grants Applied for and Status

Add additional sheets if necessary

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_

### Essay Topics

Please answer ALL questions listed below, each should be no more than 450 words, minimum 150.

#### **Topic 1:**

Please tell us a little bit about yourself.

#### **Topic 2:**



What experiences in your personal life have contributed toward your commitment toward diversity?

**Topic 3:**

Tell us about any of your experiences working toward LGBTQ+ Equity

**Topic 4:**

What are your plans for future LGBTQ+ equity work?

What else would you like us to know about you?

***This following signature acknowledges that the applicant has read the program guidelines and verifies that all information submitted is accurate and has been completed by applicant.***

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**Applicant Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Date**