

THE JOSEFINA AGUADO SCHOLARSHIP FOR SINGLE PARENTS SCOLARSHIP
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The Josefina Aguado Scholarship for Single Parents is awarded to single parents pursuing a college or a graduate degree. This scholarship is made possible

by a generous donation from the husband and wife philanthropist team of Bill Aguado and Kathi Pavlick. The scholarship is a five year \$10,000 commitment. The scholarship is named in honor of Mr. Aguado's mother to honor the sacrifices single parents make on behalf of their families. The Josefina Aguado Scholarship for Single Parents is a one-time \$1,000 scholarship. Ten scholarships of \$1,000 will be awarded in the next 5 years.

ABOUT COMITE NOVIEMBRE

Established in 1987, Comité Noviembre is the only collaboration of its kind in the United States. It brings together the strength and talents of key Puerto Rican organizations which make up its member agencies. The mission of Comité Noviembre

is to plan and promote events and forums that highlight the contributions Puerto Ricans have made to this country. Since its inception Comité Noviembre has placed special focus on educational excellence and leadership development as the key to the future of the Puerto Rican community. To this end, in November of 1996, in celebration of the tenth anniversary of Puerto Rican Heritage Month, the Comité Noviembre Scholarship Awards Program was established. In 2006, CN instituted the Richie Perez Scholarship for Peace and Justice, in 2015, the Ernesto Malave Scholarship for the Arts and the Josefina Aguado Scholarship for Single Parents.

ELIGIBILITY

- Applicants must be single parent with children no older than 21.
- Applicants must be of Puerto Rican descent.
- Applicants must have a minimum G.P.A. of 3.0
- Applicants must be enrolled in an accredited college or university in the Fall of award year pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree.
- Applicants must undergo a face to face interview with the Selection Committee

GUIDELINES

A completed application package must include:
FOR UNDER GRADUATES & GRADUATE STUDENTS

- Application form
- Essay
- College transcripts
- Two letters of recommendation
- Biographical Sketch
- Head Shot Photo **PLEASE NO SELFIE PHOTOS.**

Letters of recommendation should be requested from professors, counselors, mentors, clergy, community leaders, etc. The letters should highlight any challenges the candidate has experienced and overcome to continue their education, does the candidate do volunteer work/community service, how long has the person known the candidate, and the specific contributions the applicant has made to the community.

Applicants who will be invited for an interview will be notified by email. Recipients of the Josefina Aguado Scholarship will be disqualified should any of the following conditions occur:

- Recipient provides false information on application
- Recipient fails to graduate from High School by June of 2016;
- Recipient is not enrolled in an accredited college or university by Fall of 2016;
- Recipient is not of Puerto Rican descent

Scholarship payment will be made by Comité Noviembre in November only if official college documentation stating recipients is enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate degree program is received.

DEADLINE

Application package must be received by Friday, September 30, 2016. Application packages emailed after the due date will be disqualified.

A completed application package must be emailed to Elba Cabrera at ecab910@oponline.net and Teresa A. Santiago at tascommunicationsllc@gmail.com **Overnight, Express or Return Receipt applications will not be accepted.**

Please contact Elba Cabrera at (646) 236-7705/ecab910@optonline.net or
Teresa A. Santiago, at (914) 263-6599/tascommunicationsllc@gmail.com

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if you have any questions or need additional information.

CANDIDATE INFORMATION

First Name:
Last Name:
Address:
City/State/ZIP:
Home Phone#:
Cell #:
E-Mail:
2nd E-Mail:
Social Security #:
Occupation:

ACADEMIC INFORMATION FOR CURRENT COLLEGE UNDERGRADUATES/ GRADUATE STUDENTS

College/University:
Telephone #:
Address:
City/State/Zip:
Advisor:
G.P.A.:
Major:
Graduate Program:
Anticipated date of graduation:
List other scholarships:
List any awards received:
Do you receive Financial Aid? If yes, please list:
Do you live on or off campus?:

ESSAY QUESTION

In 500 words, answer the following question: "What is the most important issue affecting the Puerto Rican community today? State how you would address the issue as a leader in the community. Give examples of how you would resolve this situation. What would your role be? Explain why your recommendations would be successful.

EMAIL PHOTO TO
ecab910@optonline.net or
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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

In 500 words tell us about yourself, include your goals, dreams, career objectives, information about your family. Tell us about any obstacles you have encountered as a single mother and how you have overcome them. Additionally tell us about any volunteer community work you have participated in which involved the Puerto Rican community/Latino community (i.e. voter registration, census drives, neighborhood clean-up, mentoring, tutoring, youth groups, etc. What were your responsibilities?

AGREEMENT

I, the undersigned do fully agree and comply with the requirements and rules as stated herein by Comité Noviembre – mes de la herencia puertorriqueña Scholarship Award Program. I attest that the information provided herein by me, the undersigned, is true and accurate and further understand that if the information proves to be inaccurate or false, it will serve as grounds for immediate disqualification.

SIGNATURE:

DATE: