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RHO SORORITY, INC.  
COMMUNITY EDUCATION  
SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

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**Kappa Psi Sigma Chapter**  
**Valdosta, GA**

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## SIGMA GAMMA RHO SORORITY, INCORPORATED



*Kappa Psi Sigma Chapter, Valdosta, GA* **\$500.00 Scholarship**

Community Educational Award is awarded to two eligible students from the following counties: Atkinson County High School, Berrien County High School, Cairo High School, Cook County High School, Fitzgerald High School, Lanier County High School, Lowndes County High School, Thomas County Central High School, Thomasville High School, Tift County High School, and Valdosta High School.

### **History of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.**

Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Incorporated was founded on the predominantly white campus of Butler University in Indianapolis, Indiana on November 12, 1922. The sorority was organized by seven schoolteachers who shared a vision of true sisterhood. Sigma Gamma Rho became an incorporated national collegiate sorority on December 30, 1929 and has the distinction of being the first African American Greek organization on Butler's campus.

Today, we have grown to over 77,000 members with over 500 chapters in the United States, Bahamas, Bermuda, the Virgin Islands and Germany. As a leading national service organization, Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. has met the challenges of the day and continues to grow through Sisterhood, Scholarship and Service.

### **Scholarship Requirements & Application File**

- Eligible applicants must be high school seniors and must have a minimum **cumulative 3.0 GPA.**
- Eligible applicants must be involved in **community service.** (Documentation must be presented)
- Eligible applicants must **complete an essay** on the topics assigned and follow the rubric guidelines as indicated.
- Eligible applicants should include a copy of their SAT or ACT scores with the application packet.
- Eligible applicants must provide an **official transcript.**

- Eligible applicants must have **two letters of recommendation**, preferably from a high school teacher, counselor, or pastor who can attest to the applicant's academic and/or leadership abilities.
- Eligible applicants must also provide an **official letter of acceptance** from an accredited four-year college or university.

### **Essay Topic**

The theme of Sigma Gamma Rho, Inc. is Greater Service, Greater Progress. Look at the following questions below and develop a well-developed essay that will clearly define the importance and impact of Service. **All the questions must be answered within the essay.**

1. **What is community service to you?**
2. **What is your favorite way to contribute to your community? Give examples and support**
3. **How do you plan to continue volunteering while you are in college?**
4. **How can service eventually prepare you for your chosen career path?**

### **Essay Guidelines**

- ✓ Essay should be between 2 to 3 pages (the emphasis is on the content being addressed and answered).
  - ✓ Typed, 12 inch, Times Roman Font, double space
  - ✓ Use correct grammar, correct punctuation, and correct spelling
  - ✓ Title page with your complete name and date and Option chosen
  - ✓ Number the pages
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**Part 1: Directions: Please complete each section. Print in BLUE or BLACK ink only.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ (attach official transcripts)

College or University you will be attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Part 2: List your employment history, including volunteer work, for the past two (2) years. Use additional pages typewritten pages if needed.**

1. Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates worked from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates worked from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

**Part 3: List extracurricular, volunteer, and personal activities in which you have been a significant participant, such as performing arts, church groups, community service, student government, athletics, etc. Use additional typewritten pages if needed.**

**Activity 1:**

Activity/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief Description of Role: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Honors/Awards: \_\_\_\_\_

Years of Participation: \_\_\_\_\_ (Ex. 1 year, 5 months)

**Activity 2:**

Activity/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief Description of Role: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Honors/Awards: \_\_\_\_\_

Years of Participation: \_\_\_\_\_ (Ex. 1 year, 5 months)

**Activity 3:**

Activity/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief Description of Role: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Honors/Awards: \_\_\_\_\_

Years of Participation: \_\_\_\_\_ (Ex. 1 year, 5 months)

*I hereby certify that all information is true and correct. I agree that Kappa Psi Sigma may verify any of the information submitted in support of my application. I further certify that if I am awarded a scholarship, I will use the monies toward my college tuition and fees. I understand and agree that the omission, misrepresentation, or concealment of any significant fact in any statement may be considered sufficient reason for the denial of my application. I understand ~~that~~ decisions of the Scholarship Committee are final.*

Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## **SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECK LIST Award \$500.00**

Before submitting your packet, please be sure you have the following items attached:

- ✓ Scholarship Application **completed and signed**
- ✓ 1 Essay
- ✓ Documentation of Community Service (letter or school form)
- ✓ Official Transcript
- ✓ SAT or ACT scores copy if applicable
- ✓ 2 letters of Recommendation send to [thodge923@gmail.com](mailto:thodge923@gmail.com).  
Include Community Scholarship in the subject line.
- ✓ Submitted on or before deadline, **April 21, 2023. No late applications accepted.**

For additional information or questions regarding the application packet, please contact Tina Hodge, [thodge923@gmail.com](mailto:thodge923@gmail.com)

You may email all required items listed on your checklist to [thodge923@gmail.com](mailto:thodge923@gmail.com). Please include your first and last name in the Subject line along with the title, Community Scholarship.

If you prefer to use the mail, you may send all required information to the following address. If you choose the mail option, it must be postmarked by **April 21, 2023. No late applications accepted.**

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