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**ORLANDO (FL) CHAPTER OF CHUMS, INCORPORATED**

**2025 MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

***DEADLINE: MARCH 15, 2025***

**The Orlando (FL) Chapter of Chums, Incorporated offers $1,000.00 scholarships annually to deserving female students of African descent (African American, Black, Afro-Caribbean) heading to college.** Our Scholarship Committee is looking for well-rounded students who have **an expressed financial need**, demonstrate academic achievement, leadership skills, and involvement in a variety of school, community and extracurricular activities. The Orlando Chums Memorial Scholarship is dedicated in memory of deceased members of the Orlando Chapter of Chums, Incorporated. Local applications will also be considered for a Chums, Incorporated Founders’ National Scholarship with awards of up to $5,000.00.

The Orlando Chapter of Chums, Incorporated is a 501c3 non-profit organization that provides opportunities for women to use their many talents in service to the Central Florida community. The Orlando Chapter of Chums is a local chapter of the National Organization Chums, Incorporated which promotes civic, cultural, educational, and social improvement in the community they serve. An ancillary focus of the organization is to “enrich the lives of children.”

To ensure your success, please review the eligibility criteria above, the guidelines in the application thoroughly, and answer all questions completely. ***The scholarship application must be postmarked by the deadline of March 15, 2025. No applications will be accepted by email.*** Scholarship awards are made in early April. All recipients are required to participate in a Chums Award Ceremony. Thank you for your interest, if you have any questions regarding your eligibility for this scholarship application please email the Orlando Chapter of Chums, Incorporated at [orlandochumsinc@gmail.com](mailto:orlandochumsinc@gmail.com)

Sincerely,

Gloria Bryant

Chum Gloria Bryant

2025 Scholarship Chair

***ORLANDO CHAPTER of CHUMS, INCORPORATED***

***POST OFFICE BOX 568612 ORLANDO, FLORIDA 32856***

[***orlandochumsinc@gmal.com***](mailto:orlandochumsinc@gmal.com)

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CANDIDATE APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Thank you for your interest in the Chums Founders’ National Scholarship, which was created to honor the people who founded our Organization and to benefit young adults attending college for the first time who have documented financial need. The CHUMS Founders’ National Scholarship is a one-time scholarship award for the recipient. We are honored that you are taking the time to complete and submit this application. The National Scholarship Award amounts could be from $1,000 to $5,000 awarded after October. Each local chapter has the opportunity to forward one candidate to the National level of this competitive award.

Please note that family members/relatives of CHUMS, Incorporated are **not** eligible for this scholarship.

**Directions for completing this application:**

* Answer all questions on the attached pages. Incomplete applications will not be processed.
* The application may be completed on a computer. Please ensure you do not have typing, spelling or grammar errors.
* Candidates, remember that your application must be submitted to your local Chums Chapter.
* **Please submit your information to the following contact person and chapter.**

**Chapter Name:** Orlando Chapter of Chums, Incorporated

**Chapter Scholarship Committee Chairperson’s Name:** Gloria Bryant

**Mailing Address for the Scholarship:** Orlando Chapter of Chums, Incorporated

P.O. Box 568612, Orlando FL 32856

**Email Address of Scholarship Chairperson:** orlandochumsinc@gmail.com

**Phone:** 248-470-5107 (Cell)

* Please complete the application and include/obtain all attachments and signatures before you submit your application to the local chapter of CHUMS, Inc.

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CANDIDATE APPLICATION - Data Page

**Directions: Please complete the following information.**

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

1. Candidate’s name (First, Middle, Last) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Candidate’s full address (Apt. #, Street, City, State, Zip):

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1. Phone number for contacting the applicant (\_\_\_-\_\_\_-\_\_\_). You may give a home and cell phone number, and/or Email address for the applicant: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Email address for applicant: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. Name(s) of Parent(s) or Guardian(s)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. Email address for one parent or guardian (indicate by name and give email address), and/ or Phone number for one parent or guardian (indicate by name and give phone number): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. Other contact information if none of the above is available: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
6. Chapter to which you are submitting this information; \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**SCHOLASTIC INFORMATION**

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| Education Institution | Name and Location of School | Number of Years Attended | Degree Awarded  Yes or No?  If College, list courses taken | Date Degree Awarded |
| High School Attended |  |  |  |  |
| Other High School Attended |  |  |  |  |
| College/University coursework completed while in high school |  |  |  |  |

1. Name of Counselor at Current High School with phone number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Grade Point Average as of January, of the current year: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. SAT Scores:

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| Math\_\_\_\_\_\_ | Critical  Reading \_\_\_\_\_ | Writing \_\_\_\_ | Total Composite Score \_\_\_\_\_\_ |

1. ACT Composite Score: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Please list any advanced placement or honors courses you are taking or have completed in the last three years: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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***Part A - Candidate Personal Essay***

With 500 words or less briefly describe yourself. Your essay should give the reader a complete picture of your character, personality, community contribution, leadership and NEED for this award. Discuss achievements that make you the best candidate for this scholarship. Please note that essays exceeding the 500 word limit will not be accepted.

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***Part B – Candidate Activities***

List Your:  
B.1 - Community service and volunteer activities for the past 3 years

B.2 - Hobbies

B.3 – Any awards, distinctions and academic honors for the past 3 years

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***Part C – Goals***

In 50 words or less, please describe your 5 year goals – where you see yourself 5 years from now.

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***Part D – Additional Information***

Is there anything else you would like for us to know about you?

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***Candidate Signature (Mandatory)***

Applicant’s Signature Date

Print Applicant’s Name

***Attestation: My signature certifies that I have truthfully and accurately completed the above information.*** I further attest that I have a documentable financial need for this scholarship. If selected, I understand that I will be asked to provide proof that I am enrolled in a college or university and that I am unable or my parents or guardian are unable to pay the full amount of my tuition or expenses.  Documentation may include but is not limited to a FAFSA Form, letter from a school administrator or guidance counselor; letter from a university or college; or letter from a social worker.  If that documentation is not provided, the scholarship will be forfeited.

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***Mandatory Attachments***

1. Three Letters of Recommendation to the Chairperson for Scholarships of your local chapter of CHUMS, Inc. Letters should be in an envelope and sealed. Please submit three letters, dated, with a signature from any combination of the following:
   * Teacher
   * Guidance Counselor
   * Community Leader
   * School Administrator
   * Social Worker
2. An official school transcript for all high school coursework.
3. Proof of College/University acceptance.

**Checklist for Application Items**

**The Candidate Must Include:**

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* Data Page with all information completed
* Part A through D with all information completed. Do not exceed word limits where listed
* Candidate’s Signature on Application
* Three Letters of Recommendation attached from any combination of the following: Teacher, Guidance Counselor; Community Leader, School Administrator, Social Worker (see instructions, page 5)
* Official School Transcript(s) for all high school coursework
* Proof of College/University acceptance

***Thank you again for taking the time to complete this application.***

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#5 from Data Page: Additional advanced placement or honors courses:

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