



Haitian Neighborhood Center

**Sant La, Haitian Neighborhood Center
Dr. Jean-Price Mars
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM INFORMATION**

Sant La, Haitian Neighborhood Center, Inc., a not-for-profit 501(c) (3) organization has created a scholarship fund to assist high school seniors who have achieved academically and need financial assistance to attend college. This special scholarship program, created in the wake of the devastating earthquake in Haiti on January 12, 2010, targets students who are not eligible for any loans or scholarship assistance.

Sant La is a neighborhood resource center located in Miami-Dade County, whose mission is to empower, strengthen and stabilize South Florida's Haitian community by providing free access to information and services to ensure its success.

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Be Haitian or Haitian American.
2. Applicant must apply to an approved/accredited post secondary institution.
3. Applicants must have a minimum cumulative score GPA of 3.0 or higher at time of application.
4. Applicants must show proof of residency in South Florida.
5. Applicants must demonstrate financial need.
6. Applicant must show documented date of arrival in the U.S.

Application Materials: (Each applicant must submit)

1. The completed and signed application.
2. An official high school transcript showing your most recent course work.
3. A letter of recommendation from your high school faculty/staff (i.e. principal or counselor).
4. A one-page typed essay entitled "Why I Should be awarded a Sant La scholarship.
5. Provide a color passport photo for inclusion on www.santla.org and/or other publicity documents.
6. A copy of the completed FAFSA application.
7. A complete Resume.

Process:

1. Complete and submit Applications directly to Sant La, Haitian Neighborhood Center.
2. Complete a preliminary interview with the Executive Director or the Deputy Director; and a subsequent interview with members of the Sant La Board, acting as an AD-HOC Scholarship Committee.
3. Upon review and recommendation, the scholarship recipients will be notified by mail and/or telephone.
4. Scholarship awards will be made directly to the college/university.
5. Mail the completed signed application and all required documents in one package to:

**Haitian Neighborhood Center, Sant La
Attn: Scholarship Committee
13390 West Dixie Highway
North Miami, FL 33161**

Note

The Sant La Scholarship Fund Requirements information/ and Application Form will be available online at www.santla.org. Also, you may request these specific documents by telephoning the Haitian Neighborhood Center at (305)573-4871.

Schedule of Events

- The application form, essay, transcripts, color passport photo, and a letter of recommendation and resume must be submitted together.
- Winners will be notified by e-mail.
- The scholarship check, made co-payable to the recipient and the educational institution in which he/she is enrolled, will be issued by Sant La.



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Applicant Information:

(Please type or print in blue or black ink.)

Student Name: _____
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ County: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Other: _____

Email: _____ SSN: _____ - _____ - _____ DOB _____ / _____ / _____

Male _____ Female _____ Legal Status: US Citizen Permanent Resident TPS

Name of Parent(s)/Guardian(s): _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
(If different from above)

Home Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____

School Information:

High School Information: _____

School Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Graduation Date: _____ Grade Point Average (4.0 Scale): _____

I have applied to the following college(s) or university (ies).

Under penalty of perjury, I hereby certify that all the information in this application is, to the best of my knowledge and understanding, true, complete, and accurate. I understand that if I have provided as part of this application any inaccurate information of a substantial nature, my application will be disqualified. I also hereby affirm that I am a Miami-Dade or Broward County resident and either a U.S. citizen or have permanent resident status in the U.S. I also voluntarily grant my high school permission to release any information concerning my records that is necessary for administration of the scholarship, including grades and GPA, to any state, federal or private agency.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Application Procedures: Please submit (1) this form completed and signed (2) an official transcript showing your most recent H.S. coursework (3) a letter of recommendation from a high school teacher or administrator (3) a one-page typed statement about how this scholarship could make a difference in your ability to attend college. **Deliver or mail application materials to Sant La Haitian Neighborhood Center, 13390 West Dixie Highway, North Miami, Florida 33161.**