



The Dreamers and Allies Run Scholarship is coordinated and organized by the Holy Cross/Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Immigration Committee. For nearly 10 years, we have worked to empower, support, and protect the dignity of our undocumented brothers and sisters. The Dreamers and Allies Run Scholarship is yet another way to empower our community.

On October 7, 2012, two undocumented students and one ally from The Back of the Yards ran the Chicago Marathon with the goal of running for their undocumented friends and family. The runners used this opportunity to raise much-needed funds to support the education of undocumented youth from the Back of the Yards. The runners asked the community to sponsor each of their 26.2 miles and the community responded overwhelmingly and generously. In light of the great support given by the community in 2012, the Immigration Committee decided to make this scholarship an ongoing project.

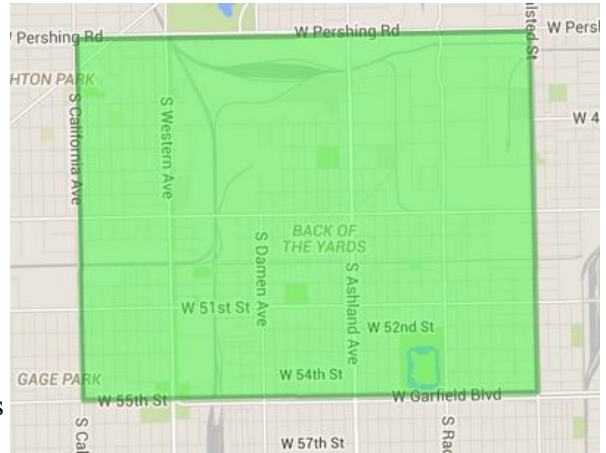
We understand and recognize that funding a college education is a struggle for many. However, it is especially difficult for our undocumented youth who have limited resources available to them. Therefore, only undocumented students will be eligible for this scholarship. Amounts might be up to \$1,500 per scholarship. Besides helping to fund a portion of the costs of a higher education, our hope is that this scholarship will continue to help our undocumented students realize that there are opportunities for them.



Eligibility

In order to be considered for this scholarship, an applicant must meet all of the following:

- Undocumented student (please refer to affidavit in this application);
- Currently enrolled as a high school senior or currently enrolled at a two-year community college or 4-year college/university;
- Currently live within the boundaries of Pershing Road on the north, 55th Street (Garfield Boulevard) on the south, Halsted Street on the east and California Avenue on the west; (See Map)
- Students who live outside of the aforementioned boundaries (see above) may still apply for this scholarship; however, the applicant must show current and consistent involvement in efforts to serve and improve the Back of the Yards community, as well as a genuine commitment to continue to serve and improve the Back of the Yards community in the future.



Scholarship Awards

Awards will be awarded based on the following:

- o Complete Application, **only return pages 3-6**
- o Interview: The interview is an integral part of the scholarship selection process, it gives the judges an opportunity to learn more about you. As a candidate, you are expected to show up during your assigned time and date. The Scholarship Committee will try to accommodate as much as possible but we also need your flexibility during scheduling.

If at any point your contact information changes, you are responsible communicate your new contact information to this scholarship committee at dreamersrun1@gmail.com or 312.324.4602 If we are unable to reach you after a reasonable number of attempts, your application may no longer be considered.

- o Service - Demonstrate current and consistent efforts to serve and improve the Back of the Yards community, the overall community, as well as a genuine commitment to continue to serve and improve the Back of the Yards neighborhood in the future. Please refer to page 4 service hours. Service hours may be verified.
- o Letter(s) of recommendation from a teacher/community service supervisor that is not related to the applicant (maximum of two letters, and letter must be printed on business letterhead);
- o 2 Essays.
- o Copy of most recent report card or transcripts

Personal information

Name: _____ Address: _____
City: _____ Zip Code: _____
Phone _____ Primary email: _____

Current school name: _____
Grade level: High School Senior College (year) _____ GED

Institution where you are currently enrolled

Institution name: _____
City and State: _____
Expected graduation date: _____
Most Recent GPA: _____ (Please Attach Most recent Grades)
Major(s)/Minor(s), if applicable: _____

Expenses per Academic Year 2018-2019

Name of school: _____

Please fill out the amounts below by academic year. If you are a high school senior, then input an estimated amount.

How much in tuition will you pay?	\$
How much in other expenses will you have during that year? (Include books, transportation & other expenses)	\$
Expected parental contribution	\$
Total amount of scholarships received up to today?	\$
Income from work (If applicable)	\$

Have you applied or received the City Colleges of Chicago STAR Scholarship?
(Circle one) Yes No

Service Hours

Please list any service hours you have completed during the year 2017 to the present. Please make sure that the supervisors' phone numbers are direct (Cell phone or include extension number and the hours they are available). We will call to verify.

Description of Service	Hours completed	Service supervisor name	Supervisor's phone number	Supervisors' hours and days available	Supervisor signature

Final Affidavit

I, _____ (print name), certify that all information I have provided in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that failure to provide correct information can result in disqualification or ineligibility for this scholarship. I also certify that at the time of signing this affidavit, I am undocumented or have applied for/ currently have been granted Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA). I further certify that I am not eligible to file the Free Application for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA) nor eligible for other state or federal government financial assistance/grants to fund my education. All information provided in this application will be used for the sole purpose of determining an award of the Dreamers and Allies Run scholarship. The only people that will be granted access to this information are people who will be involved in application review and/or the interview process. All personal information is confidential and will not be shared with other entities.

I, _____
(print name) agree to these terms.

Signature of applicant _____ Date _____

Image Release

Check the boxes that apply

I give authorization to Dreamers and Allies Run Scholarship to use the following for promotion and fundraising efforts

- Image (pictures of you/you appear in)
- Name
- School
- Major
- Excerpts from your essay

Signature of applicant _____ Date _____

Essays

These questions are intended for scholarship judges to learn more about you. Make each response 500 words maximum, and **include the question at the top of your essay**. Be ready to talk about the three questions in this section in case of being called for an interview.

Part 1: Select the question that applies to you

Past Awardee Mandatory Question (Answer this if you are a returning applicant)	First-time Applicant Mandatory Question
How did the Dreamers and Allies Run scholarship help you continue your educational goals and your commitment to the advancement of your community? What were the goals you made last year? Did you accomplish them? If not, what can you do this year differently?	Why do you deserve to win this scholarship? What are your academic goals, financial need, service, and other special circumstances or challenges to accomplish such goals? Learning from these experiences, how will you help others overcome similar obstacles?

Part 2: Choose 1 prompt from the options below.

What initiative or program have you led or supported to help your community? Describe how it was developed and how have you exercised your leadership in that program.
President Trump has taken several actions that have negatively impacted our immigrant communities (ie; rescinding TPS & DACA, referring to countries in derogatory ways, increasing immigration enforcement “The Wall”). What are you doing to minimize the impact of his actions on our community? If you have not taken any action to minimize the impact in our community, what will you do?

All completed applications should be submitted April 20th

Deadline for submitting hard copies is April 20st at 6:30 PM

You may drop off your materials at
Holy Cross/Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Office Attention:
Dreamers and Allies Run
4541 S. Wood St. Chicago, Illinois 60609
Hours: Tuesday – Friday, 9am to 6:30pm
Saturday, 9am to 11:30am
Closed Sundays and Mondays
NOTE: DO NOT MAIL

Deadline for submitting via email is April 20st at 11:59 PM

E-mail scanned copies before midnight to: dreamersrun1@gmail.com

Subject Line: YourName+DAR2018

Final Application Checklist:

- Completed application
only pages 3-5
- Transcripts (including most recent grades)
- 2 Essays
- Letter of
Recommendation (2max.)
- Signed Affidavit

Please contact us with any questions you might have:
Dreamers and Allies Run Scholarship
Phone 312.324.4602 or dreamersrun1@gmail.com

Also make sure to follow us at
[facebook.com/dreamersandalliesrun](https://www.facebook.com/dreamersandalliesrun)
for scholarship updates and
news.

NOTE: If your contact information changes, please let us know as soon as possible as we might be contacting you about an interview.

Thank you and best of luck