

CFVI 2017 Scholarship Applications are Now Available!

U.S. Virgin Islands—The Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands (CFVI) is pleased to announce that their annual academic scholarships for graduate and undergraduate students are now available. The Foundation’s mission is to enhance the quality of life for children, youth and families in the Territory by creating opportunities that otherwise would not be available. Funds for these offerings are provided through the generosity of CFVI donors.

In 2016, CFVI awarded a total of **\$100,000** in scholarships to students in the St. Croix and St. Thomas-St. John districts. “There are few things I find as rewarding as giving out our scholarships annually,” said CFVI President, Dee Baecher-Brown. “We are helping students achieve one of the greatest goals of their entire lives—an education.”

The Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands will be awarding annual scholarships based on the following criteria requirements. An applicant must:

- Be a senior or graduate of a US Virgin Island high school;
- Be enrolled in or have applied for admission to, an accredited four-year institution with a program leading to a Bachelor’s degree; For graduate scholarships, a student must be currently enrolled in or have applied for admission to, an accredited institution with a program leading to an advanced degree (Master’s, PhD, JD, MD, etc.)
- Demonstrate financial need.

Selection will be based on student’s overall financial need, academic progress, extracurricular activities and answers to essay questions. Applications for both undergraduate and graduate scholarships can be submitted through an online portal at <http://www.cfvi.fluidreview.com/>. New applicants must create an account with Fluid review before they begin the application process. Applicants will receive a confirmation email once the account has been established. Returning applicants should use the same log-in information they used to apply the previous year. The deadline to submit a scholarship application is **April 21, 2017**.

For more than 25 years, the Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands has been bringing positive change to the Territory through programs committed to youth, learning, family support and the environment. With a professional staff and a volunteer Board of Directors composed of local community leaders, CFVI is a leading advocate and supporter of programs that give children the best starts possible while ensuring opportunity and sustainability for our community in the future. CFVI operates or funds close to 50 community programs including Kids Count, early childhood initiatives, scholarships, teacher grants, emergency grants to families and elderly residents of the USVI. CFVI is a

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