

The St. James' Althea Hamilton Gibson Memorial Scholarship

Psalm 119:66 ***Teach me good judgment and knowledge, for I believe in your commandments.***

Althea Hamilton Gibson was a dedicated member of St. James' Episcopal Church for over twenty years. Her unyielding commitment to her family, friends and colleagues was paralleled only by her passion for empowering our youth. In honoring her life and memory, the Gibson family and St. James' Episcopal Church established the Althea Hamilton Gibson Memorial Scholarship for eligible graduating high school seniors of St. James' Episcopal Church.

Eligibility

The Althea Hamilton Gibson Memorial Scholarship provides assistance for the pursuit of higher education to high school graduates who are active members of St. James' Episcopal Church.

Requirements

- A member of St. James' Episcopal Church for at least one year, with regular attendance and in good standing
- Actively or previously (within the last three years) active in church ministry such as: SWAGG, Youth Choir, Acolyte, etc...
- 2.5 (on 4.0 scale) minimum High School grade point average (GPA)
- A minimum of two volunteer services in the community (i.e. Houston Food Bank) within the last three years
- Proof of acceptance to an accredited, public or private institution offering four-year or two-year degree programs
- Proof of registration as a full-time student (minimum of 12 credit hours) for consecutive fall and spring semesters

Applications are available in the church office and are accepted from graduating high school seniors who are active members of St. James' Episcopal Church, Houston. **Submission deadline is April 30, 2018.** A complete application package and all support documentation must be submitted by the posted deadline date (no exceptions). All application related material submitted to the committee is confidential. Only applicants meeting all requirements will be considered. Scholarships will be awarded on an objective, non-discriminatory basis, without regard to race, color, age, national origin, gender or disability. This is a one-time scholarship. The number of scholarship awards and amount of the award may vary from year to year. *All decisions of the Scholarship Committee are final.*

Recipient(s) of the Althea Hamilton Gibson Scholarship will be notified via the contact information provided on the application and will be announced at the annual St. James' Youth Sunday and Graduates Recognition service.

A complete application package will include:

- Application completed with accurate information
- Copy of academic report card for the current school year (must reflect GPA)
- Copy of acceptance letter and/or registration (full-time student) to an accredited four-year or two-year institution
- Documentation of volunteer services
- *(optional)* Copy of certificates, awards, achievements received by applicant.
- Personal interviews may be scheduled with each qualified applicant.

Completed application and support documents must be submitted by April 30, 2018 via mail or in person to:
St. James' Episcopal Church **Attn: Althea Gibson Scholarship**
3129 Southmore Boulevard
Houston, Texas 77004

Email: gibsonscholarship@stjameshouston.org *Subject line: Attn: Althea Gibson Scholarship*

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SECTION 1 – PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name:	Date of Birth:
Parent(s) or Guardian(s):	How long have you attended St. James':
Home address:	Other address:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:
Email address:	

SECTION 2 – ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Name of High School: _____

GPA: _____ SAT/ACT Scores: _____

High School Graduation Date: _____

University/College you plan to attend: _____

Have you received an acceptance letter? _____

Anticipated major(s): _____

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SECTION 3 –ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS

A. List and briefly describe programs, activities and organizations you were or are involved in at St. James' Episcopal Church (e.g. VBS, SWAGG):

Organization	Activity	Month/Year

Brief description of how you participated:

B. List and briefly describe your high school extracurricular activities (e.g. memberships in organizations, sports, etc.):

Organization Involved	Position Held	Date of Involvement

Brief description of your responsibilities:

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C. List honors or academic awards you have received (e.g. scholarly activities, research, etc.):

Award/Honor	Institution/Organization	Date

D. List and briefly describe any work experience:

Position	Employer	Dates of Employment

Brief description of your work responsibilities:

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