Service-learning Scholarships and Awards

**Arne and Karen Duncan Service Leader Award**
Two seniors from Chicago Public Schools will be chosen to receive this annual scholarship award of $2,500. Scholarship winners demonstrate a strong commitment to service, academics, as well as school and community engagement. Applications will be available in mid-February. For more information contact your Service-learning Coach.

**CPS Service-Learning Student of the Year Award**
One student from each of the six CPS high school areas is selected to receive a $500 scholarship for outstanding participation in service-learning. Applications will be available in mid-February. The $500 award can serve as the local contribution from an organization or school and will be matched by the Presidential Freedom Scholarships, provided that the student has earned at least 100 hours of service in the last fiscal year. Contact your Service-learning Coach for information.

**Presidential Freedom Scholarships**
Formerly known as the President's Student Service Scholarships, these scholarships recognized students who have strengthened communities by demonstrating outstanding leadership in service. Each high school in the country may select up to two students to receive a scholarship in recognition of their outstanding leadership in service to the community. The student(s) selected may be either a high school junior(s) or senior(s). Go to the website at [www.nationalservice.org/scholarships](http://www.nationalservice.org/scholarships).

**DePaul Community Service and Leadership Scholarship Program**
The mission of the DePaul University Community Service Scholarship Program is to reward students who have demonstrated an exceptional record of community service. The goals of this program are to provide mentoring to the recipients of the scholarship as well as to involve them in service with DePaul and Chicago communities. Students who have benefited from community service programs are especially encouraged to apply. Recipients will receive a $5,000 scholarship for up to four years and be required to minor in Community Service Studies at DePaul University. The Community Service Studies minor involves six additional course, three of which are unique to the Community Service Studies program. The entry deadline is February 1.

**Yoshiyama Community Service Award**
The nomination process is open for the annual Yoshiyama Community Service award, sponsored by the Hitachi Foundation [www.hitachifoundation.org](http://www.hitachifoundation.org). The $5,000 service award will be given to 10 high-school seniors across the country in recognition of their contributions to the community. Applicants must demonstrate long-term community commitment and progress, focusing on "socially and economically isolated communities," according to the foundation. April 1 is the deadline for nomination. Nominations must come from non-family members with a direct relation to the nominee's community contributions. For complete information on the program and application, visit the Hitachi Foundation [www.hitachifoundation.org/yoshiyama](http://www.hitachifoundation.org/yoshiyama).

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**The Bonner Scholarship**
The Bonner Foundation provides four-year community service scholarships to approximately 1500 students (Bonner Scholars) annually. The scholarship serves those individuals who have high financial need and a commitment to service. It is designed to heighten the overall education a Scholar receives by asking students to engage in ongoing service work and helping them develop the tools and the knowledge necessary to make that work meaningful and lasting. Go to the Bonner Foundation website at [http://www.bonner.org/campus/bonnerscholars.htm](http://www.bonner.org/campus/bonnerscholars.htm).

**Target All Around Scholarships for Students**
Each year, Target awards more than 2,100 All–Around Scholarships to high school seniors and college students age 24 and younger. Scholarships recognize volunteer work as well as academic achievement, encouraging students to show us true enlightenment goes beyond what can be learned from textbooks. Go to the Target website at [http://target.com/target_group/community_giving/scholarships.jhtml](http://target.com/target_group/community_giving/scholarships.jhtml) for more information. The scholarship deadline is November 1.

**Discover Card Tribute Award Scholarships**
Discover Card, in cooperation with the American Association of School Administrators (AASA), sponsors the Tribute Award Scholarship Program to applaud exemplary accomplishments and to support continued education and training beyond high school. Up to nine scholarships are offered in each state and the District of Columbia, plus up to nine national awards—over 460 scholarships in all! Nine students from each state win a $2,500 award and nine national winners receive a $25,000 award. Who is Eligible for the Tribute Award? Any current high school junior who meets the following qualifications is eligible:

- Is enrolled in an accredited public or private high school in the United States
- Has at least 2.75 cumulative grade point average (GPA) on a 4.0 scale for the 9th and 10th grades
- Demonstrates accomplishments in Special Talents, Leadership, Community Service and has faced a significant roadblock or challenge.

The application deadline each year is January 7. For more information, go to the website at [www.aasa.org/awards_and_scholarships/Discover/index.htm](http://www.aasa.org/awards_and_scholarships/Discover/index.htm).

**AngelSoft Angels in Action Award**

**Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship**
The Comcast Foundation has launched the Leaders and Achievers Scholarship Program nationwide to acknowledge exemplary youth in Comcast communities. To recognize the efforts of as many students as Chicago Public Schools Service–Learning Initiative
possible, all scholarship nomination materials will be mailed to principals at eligible high schools after January 20, 2004. High school principals must submit nominations to The Scholarship Foundation by March 16, 2004. 1,000 high school seniors in Comcast communities will receive $1,000 scholarship awards. Continue to visit "In The Community" at www.comcast.com for info or go to www.comcast.com/InTheCommunity/Scholarships/scholarship_intro.html for more information.

**Kohl's Kids Who Care Program**
Kohl's Kids Who Care® Program recognizes young people who volunteer in their communities. This year, Kohl's will award more than $100,000 in scholarships to young people ages 6–18. To get nominated, download the complete Kohl's Kids Who Care® Brochure and Nomination Form today. Then, take your completed form to the Kohl's nearest you. In order to be considered, nominations must be received by the close of business on March 15, 2005. For more information go to http://www.kohlscorporation.com/CommunityRelations/Community02.htm.

**The Tylenol Scholarship**
The Tylenol Scholarship program awards ten $10,000 scholarships and 150 $1,000 scholarships to students for excellence and leadership in community service. The deadline is April 30. The program is administered by Scholarship America, Inc. Go to http://www.scholarship.tylenol.com.

**USA Freedom Corps Awards and Scholarships Listing**
The USA Freedom Corp website features scholarships, awards and fellowships that are available for students involved in volunteering or public service. Go to http://www.usafreedomcorps.gov/content/for_educators/honoring_students/index.asp for more information.

**Best Buy**
Best Buy Children’s Foundation grants scholarships to students who have good grades and outstanding community service. Best Buy awards over $2 million in scholarships to more than 1,300 students annually. Three graduating high school seniors in each U.S. Congressional District and the District of Columbia are selected to receive a scholarship for $1,000 or $2,000. Scholarship recipients will be chosen based on community service and academic achievement and must be entering an accredited U.S. university, college or technical school in the fall immediately following their high school graduation. The application deadline is February 15, 2005 at 11:59pm (CST). There are no extensions. Recipients will be notified by Scholarship America, administrators of the program. Go to www.bestbuy.com and click on community relations then scholarships.

**Gloria Barron Prize**
The Gloria Barron Prize for Young Heroes honors outstanding young leaders who have made a significant positive difference to people and our planet. Their leadership and courage make them true heroes — and inspirations to us all. Each year, the Barron Prize selects ten winners nationwide. Half of the winners have focused on helping their communities and fellow beings; half have focused on protecting the health and sustainability of the environment. Students must be nominated by an adult for this award.

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