

Virgin Islands Association, DC **Beverly Scatliffe Scholarship Fund**



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About the Virgin Islands Association, DC (VIA-DC)

The Virgin Islands Association (VIA) of the DC Metropolitan area was founded in 1980 as a non-profit association committed to our community, academic excellence and our cultural traditions. VIA-DC is an active community network, supporting the enhancement of cultural diversity and providing professional development and mentoring to our college bound students.

To fulfill our mission of academic excellence and extend our support to Virgin Islands students, VIA-DC is pleased to announce the 2017 Beverly Scatliffe Scholarship Fund.

About Beverly Scatliffe



Beverly Scatliffe, a native of the St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, graduated in 1988 with a bachelor's degree with a concentration in accounting from the University of Maryland, University College. Currently, Ms. Scatliffe is a self-employed accounting professional serving not-for-profit organizations and a mentor to youth at WIN family services.

A member of the Virgin Islands Association since 2009, Ms. Scatliffe, a mother, mentor and strong believer in the education of our next generation, seeks to support current college students. She recognizes that funding is not as readily available to students after the Freshman Year and established the Beverly Scatliffe Fund for book scholarships in 2016 to support two returning college students who are passionate about and involved in community service.

Scholarship Description

The Virgin Islands Association, DC Beverly Scatliffe Scholarship is designed to assist two (2) current college students with an award amount of \$250 each.

Eligibility Requirements

- Be enrolled full-time at a U.S. accredited 4 year institution and provide proof of continuing enrollment
- Have at least a 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale
- Be pursuing a Bachelor's degree in any course of study
- Complete an application and follow the scholarship guidelines as set forth by the Virgin Islands Association, of the District of Columbia.

Completed applications must be submitted online no later than May 1, 2017!

**If no student is found to be eligible for this award in the specified calendar year, it shall roll over to the next academic year; until a candidate is deemed eligible. No one student shall receive more than the allotted \$250.00 per calendar year.

Required Documents

- Completed application must be accessed online at: <http://www.viadc.org/>. The following application additions must be provided through viascholarships2017@gmail.com
- Most recent **official** transcript issued from your college. Copies or Web printouts are not accepted.
- Two letters of recommendation (teacher, advisor, employer/supervisor, counselor or other individual who can speak to your character, learning proficiency, values, goals and community service activities) submitted in a sealed envelope with recommenders initials signed across the seal. Recommendations from family members and friends are not permitted.
- One page (sized 8 ½ x 11, single space, one side only) typed essay highlighting academic and career goals and addressing the topic of how your education (supported by this scholarship) will influence the Virgin Islands

Scholarship Timeline and Due Dates

Application Available	<i>March 2017</i>	Award Notifications	<i>June 2017</i>
Application Deadline	<i>May 1, 2017</i>	Verification of Enrollment	<i>Fall 2017</i>
Application Processing	<i>May 2017</i>	Award Distribution	<i>Fall 2017</i>
Selections	<i>May 2017</i>	<u>Incomplete or late applications will not be reviewed.</u>	

Scholarship Tips for Applicants

1. Carefully review the scholarship requirements and complete all application instructions.
2. Ask a colleague to proofread your documents prior to submission.
3. Arrange to have your high school transcript and two confidential letters of recommendation forwarded to the Scholarship Selection Committee at viascholarships2017@gmail.com.
4. Compose your essay on a separate page. Include work experience, leadership experience, community activities, honors and awards, academic goals and career goals (as applicable) as you respond to **why** it is important for you to receive this scholarship. Submit to viascholarships2017@gmail.com, Include your name in subject line.
5. Include a copy of your acceptance letter to a college or university for the 2017-2018 academic year.
6. Certify (by signature) that all information provided on the application is true to the best of your knowledge.

Scholarship Tips for Recommendation Letter Writers

1. Your letter of recommendation must be submitted by email, no later than May 1, 2017.
2. Verify and speak to your relationship to the applicant for whom you are writing the letter of recommendation
3. Submit your letter from your email account
4. In the Subject Line of your email, please reference the name of the student for whom you are supporting.
5. Address your submission to the VIA Scholarship Selection Committee at the following email: viascholarships2017@gmail.com

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Applicant Information		
Full Name:		Date:
<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>M.I.</i>
Address:		
<i>Street Address</i>		<i>Apartment/Unit #</i>
<i>City</i>		<i>State</i> <i>ZIP Code</i>
Phone: ()	E-mail Address:	
Name of High School:	Address:	GPA:
School Contact (Principal, Counselor, Teacher-include Name, Title, Phone, Email):		
Is an SAT Score required for admission to your program? If yes, provide the score.	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Score: _____
Is an ACT Score required for admission to your program? If yes, provide the score.	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Score: _____
Anticipated College/School:	Name:	Address:
Anticipated Major or Course of Study:		
Financing Your Education		
What do you anticipate the annual cost of your education to be? \$ _____		
Will you be receiving financial aid? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
If yes, check the type(s) of aid: <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship <input type="checkbox"/> Loans <input type="checkbox"/> Work study		
References		
<i>List two references (Letters from each of these references must be submitted with the application in a sealed envelope. Each reference writer must sign across the seal of the envelope to ensure confidentiality of the contents).</i>		
Name/Title:	Relationship:	
Organization:	Phone: ()	
Address:		
Email:		
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Address:		
Email:		

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Use the Space Below to List Accomplishments of which you are most proud (to include clubs, community service, church, work or other related activities and experience). Optional: You may attach a résumé.

Activity:		
Description/Responsibilities:		
Dates:	From	To:
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Description/Responsibilities		
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Privacy Declaration

Information requested in this application form and the related documents will be used solely for the purpose of assessing your application for a Virgin Islands Association (VIA) Robert Finch Memorial Scholarship. Personal information contained in this application will only be made available to members of the Scholarship Selection Committee and the members of the Virgin Islands Association Board of Directors.

Disclaimer and Signature

I certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that false or misleading information in my application will result in my disqualification from this scholarship competition. I understand that if selected to receive this scholarship, the actual award of funds is contingent on proof that I am enrolled in a degree or vocational program.

Signature:

Date:

Additional scholarship information for current students available ([link](#))

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