



Education is Empowerment, only the Educated are Free

May, 2017

High School Graduate Awards

The Union of Jamaican Alumni Associations (USA) Inc. (UJAA) has hosted an annual High School Graduate Awards every year since its formation 27 years ago. This event recognizes high school graduates of Jamaican lineage as they graduate high school and move on to matriculating in colleges and universities. Another aspect of this award is an essay competition through which students are encouraged to write an essay on a topical subject that is selected by UJAA. The winner of the essay competition is announced during the Awards Ceremony. A special prize of an all expense paid trip to Jamaica is presented to the essay competition winner and their chaperone.

The Awards Ceremony takes on the form of a reception and some awardees are given the opportunity to address their fellow awardees and the general audience. The profile of each awardee is also published in the award's program. Each awardee is presented with a certificate of recognition by UJAA member organizations, private individuals, and businesses.

As UJAA continues this program, we would like to increase the amount of graduates who receive cash awards. In this regard the following plan is being proposed with the goal of raising funds to benefit the awardees starting with the graduating class of 2017.

Plan: To raise no less than \$2,500

This amount will be disbursed to five (5) awardees each receiving a \$500 cash award

Method: Launch a Donor Campaign

Donor Campaign

- Contact individuals through social media, telephone, face to face meetings
 - Contact business entities through letters and face to face meetings
 - Encourage more UJAA member organizations to contribute funds for cash bursaries
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Sponsorship Opportunity and Donation Form

Kindly make checks payable to: **Union of Jamaican Alumni Associations (USA), Inc.**

- Enclosed is my check in the sum of \$_____ for _____ scholarships of \$_____ each.
- Enclosed is my check for \$_____ which I am donating towards a scholarship.
- I have donated \$_____ via the UJAA PayPal Giving Fund Page:
www.paypal.com/us/fundraiser/charity/1378441

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

E-mail: _____

Signature of Authorized Person: _____

- Please add me to your email list for future notifications etc.

Submission Deadline: June 1, 2017

This form and should be returned along with your check to:

Union of Jamaican Alumni Associations (USA), Inc.
1452 President Street, Brooklyn, New York 11213
Attention.: Wilbert Davis, Assistant Treasurer

For inquiries, please call: (917) 697-3097

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