

2013 Bill Gates Scholars Program Giving Away 1,000 Scholarships to Minority Students



Nationwide (BlackNews.com) -- In recognition of Black History Month, Nationwide Insurance is encouraging consumers to get on line to share, build and capture important family history in celebration of the rich heritage and legacy of the African American family. In addition, consumers can visit Pandora.com to build a personalized music library and support the United Negro College Fund (UNCF).

Every year, the Gates Millennium Scholars (GMS) Program selects 1,000 talented minority students to receive a good-through-graduation scholarship to use at any college or university of their choice. The program provides scholars with personal and professional development through our leadership programs along with academic support throughout their college career.

Administered by the United Negro College Fund, the program was initially funded by a \$1 billion grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Since 1999, it has funded the education of more than 16,000 students, awarding them more than \$614 million dollars to pay for tuition, fees, books and housing.

The program aims to reduce financial barriers for African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian Pacific Islander American and Hispanic American students with high academic and leadership promise who have significant financial need; increase the representation of these target groups in the disciplines of computer science, education, engineering, library science, mathematics, public health and the sciences, where these groups are severely underrepresented; develop a diversified cadre of future leaders for America by facilitating successful completion of bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees; and provide seamless support from undergraduate through doctoral programs, for students selected as Gates Millennium Scholars entering target disciplines

The deadline for submission is January 16, 2013.

To apply for the 2013 Gates Millennium Scholars program, visit:

www.scholarshipsonline.org/2012/08/the-gates-millennium-scholars-program.html

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