





John H. Wilson SCHOLARSHIP

\$3,000 Award

ABOUT US

The Honorable John A. Wilson devoted his career to serving the public and championing education and opportunities for youth. Raised in poverty on Maryland's Eastern Shore, Mr. Wilson became a courageous leader of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) in the 1960s Civil Rights movement. He later moved to Washington and began a distinguished political career.

He led the successful 1974 campaign for adoption of the District's Home Rule Charter, then served 18 years on the D.C. City Council. He served as City Council Chairman from 1991 to 1993. The H Street Community Development Corporation (HSCDC) established the John A. Wilson Scholarship Fund as a lasting memorial to the late civil rights and legislative leader. Mr. Wilson was also a founding member of the HSCDC.

Since 2008, the Inaugural Scholarship Year, HSCDC has awarded more than seventy (70) scholarships to deserving DC Public and public charter school students. Recipients of the John A. Wilson Scholarship attend some of the most prestigious colleges and universities in the country.



QUALIFICATIONS

- Minimum grade point average of 2.5
- Graduating senior of a D.C. Public/Public Charter School
- Must Be a Washington, D.C. Resident
- Indicate Pell Grant Eligibility (Submit FAFSA)
- Involvement in school and community activities
- Submit two (2) letters of recommendation. ONE LETTER MUST BE FROM YOUR SCHOOL AND ONE FROM A COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION.
- Submit an official high school transcript
- Acceptance by and enrolled full-time in a higher 2 or 4 year accredited degree program for the fall semester of 2022.
- A 500-650-word essay on the following subject: How can I help change the "quality of life" within my neighborhood by obtaining a college education and pursuing a career in Public Service (government), Economic Development (business/housing), Community Empowerment (organizing/advocacy) OR Neighborhood Revitalization (community and real estate development)?

APPLICATION SUBMISSION

Applications and documents are due by Friday, April 1, 2022. Finalists are notified in late spring of 2022. Applications should be submitted at www.hstreetcdc.org or scholarship@hstreetcdc.org and official transcripts and letters of recommendation should be mailed to

John A. Wilson Scholarship 916 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20003 or faxed to (202) 735-5340