ALABAMA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND, INC.

The Alabama Library Association established the Scholarship Fund, Inc. to reach the goal of having more trained librarians in Alabama. The purposes of the Alabama Library Association Scholarship Fund, Inc. are:

◊ To provide scholarships to deserving and promising Alabama students who wish to pursue a grade degree accredited by the American Library Association or by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.

◊ To provide a vehicle whereby members of the Association and friends of the Association who are interested in the objectives of the Fund can make contributions toward providing such aid.

Recipients will be selected by the Board of Trustees and the Board of Directors of the Alabama Library Association Scholarship Fund, Inc. in July of each year on the basis of academic achievement, potential service to the library profession, and financial need.

All application materials are due by June 1.

For more information and an application or to make contributions, contact:

President, Alabama Library Association Scholarship Fund, Inc.
6030 Monticello Drive
Montgomery, AL 36117
334-414-0113
Email: allibraryassoc@gmail.com
APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

DESCRIPTION AND GUIDELINES

One of the major goals of the Alabama Library Association is to have a greater number of professionally educated librarians in Alabama. To help make this possible, the Association provides scholarships to those residents of Alabama who wish to enter library school but need financial assistance.

The Board of Directors will select the recipients on the basis of the applicant's attitude toward library service, undergraduate record, and financial need in accordance with the requirements outlined for each loan or scholarship. The maximum amount of scholarship requests is $1,000. Scholarship recipients are asked to sign and return a stipulation letter stating that the terms of the scholarship are understood. Along with the stipulation letter, recipients must submit a copy of a valid Alabama driver’s license and social security card.

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SCHOLARSHIP DESCRIPTIONS

Alabama Library Association Memorial Scholarship
This scholarship was originally established in 1991 in honor of Moselle Cummings. The $1000 scholarship is awarded to a full time/part time student of the School of Library and Information Studies at the University of Alabama.

Centennial Scholarship
Alabama Library Association Centennial Memorial Scholarship was established in 2004 in honor of the 100th anniversary of the association. The scholarship is awarded annually and is available to residents of Alabama pursuing library and information studies or classes in school library media. The scholarship will be a minimum amount of $500 with additional money available up to $1000 based on contributions to the Scholarship Fund each year.

*Additional named or unnamed scholarship programs may be established or offered at the discretion of the Board.
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APPLICANT INSTRUCTIONS

Pages 1-2 of this form must be returned by the applicant to the address below. A cover letter outlining personal background, interests, community activities, and present plans for a career in the library field is also required. Copies of pages 3-5 must be provided to three references. A personal letter of recommendation in addition to this form may be submitted but is not required. Scholarships are traditionally awarded in July or August of each year, but may be offered at other times in the school year. Applications remain in the active file for one year. Before your application can be considered, the Alabama Library Association Scholarship Fund, Inc. must receive the following:

- Application form, completely filled out, signed, and dated.
- A certified final transcript from the institution that awarded your undergraduate degree.
- A certified transcript of any graduate work you may have undertaken.
- A certified transcript of your test scores on the GRE or MAT.
- Proof of acceptance at an ALA-accredited library school.
- Recommendation forms from the three references listed on page 3.

All forms submitted will be kept confidential.

All items must be mailed to: President, ALLA Scholarship Fund, Inc. Alabama Library Association
6030 Monticello Drive
Montgomery, AL 36117
334-414-0113
Email: allibraryassoc@gmail.com
APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Applicant’s Name ____________________________________________________________

Please mark as many items as you wish. Refer to the information sheet to determine for which scholarships you are eligible. Fill out the forms on pages 1 and 2. Attach a cover letter outlining personal background, interests, community activities, and present plans for a career in the library field.

I am applying for:

☐ Alabama Library Association Memorial Scholarship
☐ Alabama Library Association Centennial Memorial Scholarship

Full Name ________________________________________________________________

Present Address __________________________________________________________

City ____________________________ State ___________ Zip Code __________

Telephone Number (including area code) ______________________________________

Email Address ___________________________________________________________

Permanent Address (if different from above) ___________________________________

City ____________________________ State ___________ Zip Code __________

Beginning date of term for which scholarship is to be used _____________________

Library school applied to or enrolled in _______________________________________

Anticipated date of graduation _____________________________________________

Credit hours already earned toward degree ____________________________________

United States Citizen  Yes ☐       No ☐

Resident of Alabama Yes ☐       No ☐

(You must be a resident of Alabama to be eligible for scholarships.)
List three references, including at least one librarian, who know your work and/or abilities. Give name, occupation, address, and telephone number for each.

1. 

   Name: 
   Occupation: 
   Address: 
   Telephone: 

2. 

   Name: 
   Occupation: 
   Address: 
   Telephone: 

3. 

   Name: 
   Occupation: 
   Address: 
   Telephone: 

Colleges or Universities attended (use additional sheets if necessary)

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Work Experience (List employer and positions held, most recent first. Please include all library experience. Use additional sheets if necessary.)

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I certify that the information in this application is correct.

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Signature                                             Date
ALABAMA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION  
SCHOLARSHIP FUND, INC. 

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APPLICANT RECOMMENDATION FORM 
(IMPORTANT! Please follow these instructions carefully.) 

Instructions: Make three (3) copies of pages 3-5. Please fill in (type) information marked with an asterisk (*). Give this form to three (3) references with a stamped envelope addressed to: 

President, Alabama Library Association Scholarship Fund, Inc. 
6030 Monticello Drive 
Montgomery, AL 36117 

*Applicant’s Name _____________________________________________ 

*Reference Name _______________________________________________ 

*Reference Address _____________________________________________ 

*City _____________________________ 

*State ___________________________ *Zip Code ____________________ 

*Reference Email Address ___________________________________________ 

Notice to Individual Writing this Recommendation: 
Unless the following waiver is signed by the applicant, this recommendation is not confidential. 

*Waiver (to be signed by APPLICANT) 
I hereby expressly waive my right to examine or otherwise have access to this recommendation. I understand that this recommendation will be used only in connection with my application for a scholarship from the Alabama Library Association Scholarship Fund, Inc. 

__________________________________________________________________________ 

Applicant’s Signature 

__________________________________________________________________________ 

Date
The applicant whose name appears above has applied for a scholarship from the Alabama Library Association Scholarship Fund, Inc. Please rate the applicant's intellectual ability, leadership potential, and judgment, using the specific characteristics below. We are particularly interested in your assessment of the applicant's suitability for a career as a professional librarian.

1. Specific characteristics:

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2. General statement regarding applicant:

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Signature of Person Providing Recommendation                   Date

Address

Name of Occupation or Business *(please print or type)*         Telephone