

2015 Citi Youth Leadership Award Application

The Citi Youth Leadership Award recognizes young people for their outstanding community service. The **Helpline Center** and **Citi** are pleased to work with school administrators and community leaders to select local scholarship recipients. Six seniors from Sioux Empire high schools will each receive a \$1,000 scholarship award.

Instructions

- *Complete the application information on the reverse side
 - *Attach an essay based on the following criteria, not to exceed 250 words. **Winners are selected based on their essays. Please take care in writing the essay and make sure to include the following information:**
 - * Volunteer activity(s) performed
 - * Need for service – what need in the community are you meeting?
 - * Meaning and significance of your service to you
 - * Challenges to performing service
 - * Photos, CDs, scrapbooks, and binders are not allowed in the judging process
 - *Submit completed application to the Helpline Center by March 20, 2015
 - * By Mail: 1000 N. West Ave. Ste. 310, Sioux Falls, SD 57104
 - * By E-mail: vol@helplinecenter.org (signed & scanned copies only)
 - * By Fax: (605) 332-1333
- *** applications will not be accepted on flash drive or CD.

Eligibility

Seniors currently enrolled in a Sioux Empire school (public or private) including high schools in the following school districts:

Baltic	Canton	Garretson	Marion	Tea
Beresford	Colman	Harrisburg	McCook	Tri Valley
Brandon Valley	Colton	Hartford	Montrose	Viborg
Bridgewater	Dell Rapids	Hurley	Parker	West Central
Canistota	Emery	Lennox	Sioux Falls	

- Students must have completed 100 hours of community service in the last twelve months.
- Community service can include
 - Service to community or religious organizations;
 - Service through school or community-based service-learning projects; or
 - Individual efforts to help others to improve the local community.
- **Fundraising, lobbying, paid or stipend service DO NOT qualify for these awards.**
- Decisions of the judges are final.
- Winners will be recognized by Citi at the Spirit of Volunteerism Awards Banquet held on Tuesday, May 5, 2015 at the Sioux Falls Convention Center, starting at 11:30 am. All winners are required to attend.

Application Tips

- Type or print neatly.
- Be specific & concise; volunteer essay should not exceed 250 words.
- Provide all information requested on the application form.
- Focus on the program or activity that best describes your community service.
- Assume judges know nothing about you or the organization(s) where your service was performed.
- Proof-read completed application form for errors/omissions.
- Nominations and attachments become property of the Helpline Center and will not be returned.

Nominations must be submitted to the Helpline Center by 5 PM March 20, 2015.
Helpline Center, 1000 N. West Ave., Ste. 310, Sioux Falls, SD 57104
Questions: Susie Ryks, (605) 274-1407, vol@helplinecenter.org





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Applicant Information

High School _____
(see the reverse side of application form for a list of qualifying school districts)

Applicant Name: _____ Birthdate: _____
Home Phone: _____ Street Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____ E-Mail: _____
Parent or Guardian Name: _____ Post High School Information:
Institution: _____
Parent E-Mail: _____ Enrollment Date: _____
Parent Phone: _____ College City and State: _____

Service Information

Approximate number of volunteer hours served within the past 12 month period (minimum 100) _____

List organizations and number of hours volunteered at each organization:

Agency Name: _____	# of Hours: _____	Contact: _____
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****Attach an additional sheet if necessary to list more areas of service.*

I certify that the above information is accurate _____

Applicant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature (if student is under 18) _____

Parent Signature

Date

Publicity Release Information

If I am selected to receive a scholarship, the Helpline Center and Citi may use my name for purposes of news, publicity and promotions.

Student Signature (if 18 or older) _____

Parent/Guardian Signature (if student is under 18) _____

It is the policy of the Helpline Center to extend equal opportunity to all persons without regard for race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or any other characteristic protected by law.

**The awards will be presented at the Spirit of Volunteerism Banquet May 5, 2015 from
11:30 am to 1 pm at the Sioux Falls Convention Center**