



# Hope & Friendship FOUNDATION

Dear Friend,

I appreciate your interest in applying for the 2020 Hope and Friendship Foundation Scholarship. Once again this year the Hope and Friendship Foundation board approved two separate scholarships to be awarded: one for \$1000 and one for \$500. You can enter this competition by submitting the following completed application with references and completed activities and experiences on a separate paper, and your original essay **by Friday April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2020.**

Hope and Friendship Foundation sets forth with the mission to reach out and find assistance for those in financial, emotional, and physical crisis. Though we can not always provide immediate financial sources or answers that will resolve the problems, ***our mission is to extend a hand of friendship to reassure that “someone” is aware of their struggles- cares to be an ear and works to provide any means of aid possible- driven by the ultimate goal of being a conduit from those that have to those that need.***

Since December 2005, Hope and Friendship has been an effective conduit of assistance and, simply stated, surplus from one home to another. Whether it be a kind action, council, meals, redistributing used household appliances, furniture, or belongings (from households that have to households that are in need of these items), or in some cases rallying a call/email of need to raise funds or accept donations to provide crisis assistance to help to cover a cost that otherwise can not be covered.

A friend is someone who reaches for your hand and touches your heart. Though Hope and Friendship cannot provide everything of need for those households that experience such strain, it is the goal to try to provide opportunities for them to benefit from the kindness and generosity offered from their “friends and neighbors” around them casting ripples of compassion and benevolence that reach further than the initial act of kindness. [www.hopeandfriendshipfoundation.com](http://www.hopeandfriendshipfoundation.com)

What I hope you will help contribute is your idea on how to better our corner of the world. I look forward to reading your essay!

**Your entry *must* be submitted by midnight Friday April 3<sup>rd</sup> via mail, email or dropping it off to 721 Hickory St, Lemont to be considered for this scholarship competition.** Our Scholarship selection team will review your application and essay and select the winning entries from those submitted. I appreciate you offering your time, effort and heart to this scholarship competition.

Wishing you peace,  
Terri O’Neill-Borders

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