Announcement: The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Asian American Commission’s Young Leaders Scholarship

Dear Applicant:

Recognizing the attribution of higher education to personal and professional success while being a leader, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Asian American Commission (AAC) is pleased to issue a scholarship in the amount of $1,000 for a current college student to use towards their undergraduate education expenses. Note: Applicants may apply for other AAC scholarships but will be limited to being awarded only one of the scholarships they apply for.

The scholarship committee will determine applicants who will get awarded the scholarship listed above.

**Applicant Criterion:**
1. A person of Asian or Pacific Islander descent,
2. GPA of a 3.0 or higher*, and
3. Must be enrolled in an undergraduate community, public, or private institutions in the state of Massachusetts. Proof can be provided by submitting an unofficial transcript*.

*First year college student applicants can submit their high school transcript if unofficial grades are unavailable.

**Important Dates:**
1. Application due November 8, 2021 by 11:59pm
2. Recipient will be chosen and notified by November 22, 2021
3. **Only the scholarship winner** will need to submit receipt(s) for reimbursement from the Commonwealth of MA Asian American Commission for books, school supplies, or tuition up to the respective value of the scholarship ($1000) by or before the end of May 2022.
4. Applicants are strongly encouraged to attend the AAC’s virtual Young Leaders Symposium occurring virtually on November 6, 2021 12:30-3:30pm. Register link here: [https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAqf-CvqjMiGdw5CX6Ws23JpOGzkzdHYJsz](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAqf-CvqjMiGdw5CX6Ws23JpOGzkzdHYJsz)

The application must be fully completed and returned (via email, Subject: Name, Young Leaders Scholarship) to Jessica Wong, Program Director for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Asian American Commission no later than 11:59PM, November 8, 2021 for consideration. Thank you for your interest in applying for this opportunity. Please contact us if you have any questions, comments, or additional suggestions.

Thank you,

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Application Form: AAC Young Leader Scholarship

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Please type and limit your responses for each question to 250 words.

1. Please elaborate on your background. Including but not limited to: challenges you may have experienced throughout your life, educational experiences, familial upbringing, work experience, and, if applicable, your role model or mentor.

2. Please elaborate on how you have demonstrated being a leader amongst your peers and or community(ies).

3. How do you envision yourself being a leader after you graduate? How would it align with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Asian American Commission’s mission statement?
4. In your opinion, what is the biggest challenge the AAPI communities in Massachusetts are facing? What do you believe the AAPI communities have done well to address them? What can they do better? (Feel free to share your thoughts on the overall AAPI population or specific AAPI communities.)

-REMINDER-

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION IN PDF FORMAT AND REMEMBER TO ATTACH YOUR UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT