



*Working Together to Develop Children of Purpose, Passion and Promise*

## **Children of Promise Development Services Dr. Maurice Potts Sr. & Mrs. Joyce Potts Memorial Scholarship Application**

**Award Amount: 1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$1,000 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: \$500**

The Mission of Children of Promise Development Services (COPDS) is to strengthen educational, economic and cultural opportunities to improve the quality of life of youth in the state of Michigan. Our vision is to develop children of purpose, passion and promise.

The Children of Promise Development Services Scholarship aims to assist exceptional young scholars by strengthening their educational opportunities, thereby, helping them to inspire others.

### **Eligibility Criteria**

- (1) Must be a graduating high school Senior of African American heritage
- (2) Must be a current resident of the state of Michigan
- (3) Must be a US citizen or permanent residence of the US
- (4) Must possess a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale
- (5) Must plan to enroll full-time (12 credit hours or more) in an accredited institution of higher learning (i.e. community college, university, vocation or skilled trade). ***Proof of actual enrollment is required before any awarded funds will be disbursed.***

### **Instructions:**

Please complete the application in its entirety.

- The application may be printed legibly in black or blue ink, or completed in a Word or PDF file.
- The essay must be typed in font size 12pt. Essays not typed in 12pt will be disqualified from consideration.
- Include an official copy of your most current high school transcript.
- Enclose two (2) letters of recommendation: one (1) from someone familiar with you, academically, such as a teacher, or counselor, and one (1) from a member of the non-academic community, such as a pastor, mentor or coach.
- Include a 300-500-word double-spaced essay in font size 12pt responding to the following: *“How does the mission statement and vision of Children of Promise align with your future goals? What impact would you like to make on future generations of students?”*
- **Mailed application must be post marked by March 31, 2020.**

PLEASE MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION AND ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS TO:

Attention: Scholarship Committee  
Children of Promise Development Services, Inc.  
3773 Chipping Norton Ct.; Saginaw, MI 48603

- **Email submission of all materials must be received by COPDS, time and date stamped by 11:59p, March 31, 2020. Should you be awarded a scholarship, please be prepared to present a hard copy of the exact transcript and recommendation letters sent via email. If they are not identical, you will forfeit the award.**

PLEASE EMAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION AND ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS TO:

[childrenofpromisedetroit@gmail.com](mailto:childrenofpromisedetroit@gmail.com)

Subject: 2020 POTTS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

## Personal Information (if handwritten, please print legibly)

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
month/ date/ year

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City, State Zip

Home number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

## Current Academic Information

High School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City, State Zip

Overall/Cumulative GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Major Area (s) of Study \_\_\_\_\_

## Higher Education

 Please list the academic institutions to which you have applied or plan to apply:

NAME	LOCATION (City, State)	APPLIED? (Y/N)	ACCEPTED? (Y/N)

## Extra-curricular Activities/Community Service:

Please list your interests outside of academic classes, including, but not limited to sports, community service, volunteer or civic organizations. Also include any leadership roles you may have held.

ACTIVITY/ORGANIZATION	DATES	LEADERSHIP ROLE (if any)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_