



of Metro Denver

# Girls Inc. of Metro Denver Scholarship Program

College scholarships for girls who have participated in  
Girls Incorporated of Metro Denver programs.  
Information & Support Packet for 2018-2019

**Applications are due Friday, February 1, 2019 by 5:00 p.m.**

## INTRODUCTION

Girls Inc. of Metro Denver's mission is to inspire all girls to be strong, smart, and bold and its vision is a world in which every girl values her whole self, discovers her inner strengths, and achieves her goals. Girls are encouraged to see college as attainable and to set and achieve long-term educational goals. The Girls Inc. of Metro Denver Scholarship Program includes multiple endowed scholarship funds that make post-secondary education more accessible to Girls Inc. participants by offsetting financial costs, as well as inspire girls to pursue rewarding careers.

## HELEN M. MCLORAIN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Helen M. McLoraine Scholarship Fund was established in 2005 in memory of Helen McLoraine, a pioneer in the oil industry and a woman who embodied the Girls Incorporated mission of inspiring all girls to be strong, smart, and bold. By inspiring girls to be active in community service, strive for higher education, and gain advanced skills and knowledge they need to realize bright futures, they carry on Helen's legacy. The Scholarship fund provides competitive awards to girls who have participated in Girls Incorporated of Metro Denver programs. Each year the Scholarship fund awards a minimum of \$45,000.

## DYAN L. FOSS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In 2018, Charles and Sandra Foss established the Dyan L. Foss Scholarship Fund in memory of their daughter, Dyan Foss. Dyan was the Global Managing Director at CH2M and a Girls Inc. supporter committed to engaging girls in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM). The scholarship fund provides an annual scholarship of \$5,000 to a high school girl planning to pursue higher education in a STEM degree field. The scholarship will challenge girls to be leaders and encourage their interests in STEM during their post-secondary years and in their future careers.

## Available Scholarships

- Teen Leadership Scholarship
- Strong, Smart, and Bold Scholarship
- Collegiate Scholarship
- Science, Technology, Math & Science (STEM) Scholarship

## Application Process

Read and complete the application form and include with it the required materials for the scholarship for which you are applying. The Scholarship Selection Team will select awardees based on the following criteria:

- Community Service
- Demonstrated ability to handle responsibility and leadership
- Clarity of ideas and communication skills
- Strength of character
- Personal achievement and future plans and goals
- Depth of impact at Girls Incorporated of Metro Denver programs for the applicant

All applicants who submit a complete a written application by the deadline will be considered for an in-person interview. Interviews will be conducted at Girls Inc. of Metro Denver on Thursday, March 14, 2019 between 4:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Applicants attending school out of state will need to be available during this time for an interview which will be conducted via Skype or a similar program.

***\*If you received an award from the Girls Inc. Scholarship Program in 2018, you may not apply again until 2020.\****

All completed applications must be post-marked or hand delivered to the following address by February 1, 2019 before 5:00 p.m.

Girls Incorporated of Metro Denver  
Scholarship Program  
Attention: Robyn Jackson  
1499 Julian Street  
Denver, CO 80204

## SCHOLARSHIP DESCRIPTIONS

### Helen McLoraine Teen Leadership Scholarship – \$5,000

Scholarships will be awarded to girls currently enrolled in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade, who have been Girls Inc. of Metro Denver members within the past 5 years AND:

1. Have completed the High School Prep or College Prep class AND
2. Have participated in, or are currently participating in, at least one other Girls Inc. class or volunteer position.

#### Additional Requirements:

- Participated in community service and leadership activities
- Grade point average of 2.0 or higher

#### How to Apply:

*Please note: all materials must be 12pt. Arial font, 1-inch margins, double-spaced, single-sided, and each page should list the applicants first and last name in the header.*

1. Complete the application cover page.
2. Include a personal essay, up to three pages in length to address the following questions:
  - ***Describe how you are strong, smart, and bold.***
  - ***How have you been involved as a leader in your community and what has that experience meant to you?***
  - ***How will this scholarship help you to achieve your future plans and goals?***
  - ***What personal achievement are you most proud of and why?***
3. Include your official school transcript. Unofficial transcripts will not be accepted.
4. Include two letters of recommendation in sealed envelopes from adults from your school, job, or community (teacher, counselor, principal, advisor, supervisor, mentor, etc.) Letters from relatives or Girls Inc. staff will not be accepted. Please do not include more than two letters of recommendation.
5. Provide your GIMD programming history and ensure that you have a 2018-2019 GIMD membership application on file. If not, you must complete and submit it along with your scholarship application.
6. Submit all of your materials by the deadline.

## SCHOLARSHIP DESCRIPTIONS CONTINUED

### Helen McLoraine Strong, Smart, and Bold Scholarships – \$10,000

Scholarships will be awarded to girls currently enrolled in the 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade, who have been Girls Inc. of Metro Denver members within the past 5 years AND:

1. Have completed the College Prep class AND
2. Have participated in, or are currently participating in, at least one other Girls Inc. class or volunteer position.

#### Additional Requirements:

- Participated in community service and leadership activities
- Grade point average of 2.0 or higher

#### How to Apply:

*Please note: all materials must be 12pt. Arial font, 1-inch margins, double-spaced, single-sided, and each page should list the applicants first and last name in the header.*

1. Complete the application cover page.
2. Include a personal essay, up to three pages in length, to address the following questions:
  - ***Describe how you are strong, smart, and bold.***
  - ***How have you been involved as a leader in your community and what has that experience meant to you?***
  - ***How will this scholarship help you to achieve your future plans and goals?***
  - ***What personal achievement are you most proud of and why?***
3. Include your official school transcript. Unofficial transcripts will not be accepted.
4. Include letters of recommendation in sealed envelopes from adults from your school, job, or community (teacher, counselor, principal, advisor, supervisor, mentor, etc.) Letters from relatives or Girls Inc. staff will not be accepted. Please do not include more than two letters of recommendation.
5. Provide your GIMD programming history and ensure that you have a 2018-2019 GIMD membership application on file. If not, you must complete and submit it along with your scholarship application.
6. Submit all of your materials by the deadline.

## SCHOLARSHIP DESCRIPTIONS CONTINUED

### Helen McLoraine Collegiate Scholarship – \$10,000

Scholarship will be awarded to a young woman currently pursuing a higher education who has been a Girls Inc. of Metro Denver member within the past 10 years.

#### Additional Requirements:

- Currently enrolled full-time undergraduate student attending an accredited college or university
- Demonstrated community service and leadership skills
- Grade point average of 2.0 or higher

#### How to Apply:

*Please note: all materials must be 12pt. Arial font, 1-inch margins, double-spaced, single-sided, and each page should list the applicants first and last name in the header.*

1. Complete the application cover page.
2. Include a personal essay, up to three pages in length, to address the following questions:
  - ***Describe how you are strong, smart, and bold.***
  - ***How have you been involved as a leader in your community and what has that experience meant to you?***
  - ***How will this scholarship help you to achieve your future plans and goals?***
  - ***What personal achievement are you most proud of and why?***
3. Include your official school transcript. Unofficial transcripts will not be accepted.
4. Include two letters of recommendation in sealed envelopes from adults from your school, job, or community (teacher, counselor, principal, advisor, supervisor, mentor, etc.) Letters from relatives or Girls Inc. staff will not be accepted. Please do not include more than two letters of recommendation.
5. Provide your GIMD programming history.
6. Submit all of your materials by the deadline.

## SCHOLARSHIP DESCRIPTIONS CONTINUED

### Dyan Foss STEM Scholarship – \$5,000

Scholarship will be awarded to a young woman interested in pursuing a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) field in her post-secondary education. To qualify the participant must have been a Girls Inc. of Metro Denver member within the past 5 years.

1. Have completed 150 hours of STEM programming at Girls Inc. of Metro Denver.
2. Have participated in, or are currently participating in, at least one other Girls Inc. class or volunteer position.

#### Additional Requirements:

- Participated in community service and leadership activities
- Grade point average of 2.0 or higher

**\*Please note:** Applicants must meet all the eligibility criteria for the Helen McLoraine Scholarships, but **do NOT** need to receive a McLoraine Scholarship in order to be eligible for the STEM Scholarship.

#### How to Apply:

*Please note: all materials must be 12pt. Arial font, 1-inch margins, double-spaced, single-sided, and each page should list the applicants first and last name in the header.*

1. Complete the application cover page.
2. Include a personal essay, up to one page in length, to address the following questions:
  - **What excites you about STEM?**
  - **What is your favorite STEM subject and why?**
  - **How will this scholarship help you to achieve your future plans and goals in STEM?**
3. Include your official school transcript. Unofficial transcripts will not be accepted.
4. Include letters of recommendation in sealed envelopes from adults from your school, job, or community (teacher, counselor, principal, advisor, supervisor, mentor, etc.) Letters from relatives or Girls Inc. staff will not be accepted. Please do not include more than two letters of recommendation.
5. Provide your GIMD programming history and ensure that you have a 2018-2019 GIMD membership application on file. If not, you must complete and submit it along with your scholarship application.
6. Submit all of your materials by the deadline.



GIRLS INC. OF METRO DENVER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM  
Application Cover Page

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Please circle the scholarship you are applying for:

- A. Teen Leadership Scholarship (10<sup>th</sup> grade)
- B. Strong, Smart, and Bold Scholarship (11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade)
- C. Collegiate Scholarship (current college student)

Please circle if you are also applying for the following scholarship:

- D. STEM Scholarship (10<sup>th</sup> grade through 12<sup>th</sup> grade)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade \_\_\_\_\_

High School (currently attending) \_\_\_\_\_

College/University (currently attending) \_\_\_\_\_

*I certify that the information on this form and the information in my packet is accurate and the essay enclosed is my original work.*

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





GIRLS INC. OF METRO DENVER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM  
Girls Inc. Programming History

**of Metro Denver**

1. On a separate document please list the class and/or volunteer dates you have participated in, and a short description that explains your involvement at Girls Incorporated. Please list your first and last name in the header of each page.

*EXAMPLE:*

<b>Class date</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Description</b>
Fall 2017	Lego League	Participated in Lego League Challenge that addressed mobility issues for seniors.
Summer 2016	Camp volunteer	Worked with 3rd and 4th graders on their reading skills.

2. On the same document please list all of your previous and/or current leadership and community service experiences.

*EXAMPLE:*

<b>Date(s) of service</b>	<b>Place of service</b>	<b>Description of service</b>
October 2016	Pepsi Center	Worked at the registration table for Walk for the Cure.
Summer 2017-current	Rose Nursing Home	Meet with seniors on Sunday afternoons to play games



GIRLS INC. OF METRO DENVER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM  
Recommendation Letter Request

**of Metro Denver**

To Whom It May Concern:

\_\_\_\_\_ is applying to the Girls Inc. of Metro Denver Scholarship Program, which awards scholarships annually. These scholarships recognize the leadership and accomplishments of young women who have participated in Girls Incorporated of Metro Denver programs. The purpose of the scholarship program is to make post-secondary education accessible by offsetting the financial costs of higher education. Our hope is that our scholarships will inspire young women to succeed in school, become leaders and contribute to their communities.

Part of the scholarship selection process requires a letter of recommendation from someone in an educational, work, or volunteer setting who can speak to the applicant's abilities and qualifications. By receiving this form, the applicant is requesting that you provide answers to the following questions with your signature and stated relationship to the applicant. Your letter is a critical part of our selection and awareness process. Please answer the attached questions in a separate typed letter:

- How long have you known the applicant and what is your relationship to her?
- How has this person demonstrated leadership skills? Please give specific examples.
- How has this person been a positive role model for others?
- How would you describe this person's character?

In addition, please include your name and title in the letter and a brief description of how you know the applicant. All questions should be addressed in your recommendation. The completed form must be returned to the applicant in a sealed envelope for submission with her application package. **All applications are due by 5:00 pm on February 1, 2019.** If needed, you can find the recommendation request form on our website at [www.girlsincedenver.org](http://www.girlsincedenver.org)

On behalf of Girls Incorporated of Metro Denver, we thank you for your time, interest and participation in this process. Thank you for helping to inspire our girls to become strong, smart, and bold.

Sincerely,

The Girls Inc. of Metro Denver Scholarship Program

## The Girls Inc. of Metro Denver Scholarship Program Guidelines

1. All recipients will be selected through a fair, equitable, standardized, and non-discriminatory application process.
2. Application information will be distributed widely and posted on the Girls Inc. website to ensure that eligible girls are informed of the opportunity.
3. An applicant must submit an application for the scholarships for which she would like to be considered.
4. Unsuccessful applicants will be encouraged to apply in a subsequent year if they meet the scholarship criteria.
5. Girls Inc. of Metro Denver defines a “member” as any participant who has submitted (or will submit) a member application by the scholarship deadline and participates in programming prior to high school graduation.
6. Scholarship awards must be used for post-secondary education or professional training from any accredited institute in the United States.
7. Scholarship recipients may use their scholarship award for fees assessed by the school they are attending and/or required books and supplies. This includes: tuition, fees, room & board, and application fees charged by the school. This **does not** include: private rent, utilities, grocery bills, travel expenses, deposits, late fees, or amounts due from semesters prior to when the student was awarded the scholarship.
8. A participant may receive one scholarship from the Dyan L. Foss Scholarship program.
9. An individual may receive up to two scholarships from the Helen McLoraine Scholarship Program in separate years, with one year off between applications.
10. Scholarship payments are contingent upon the student's graduation from high school (or completion of her G.E.D.) and acceptance into and continuance in the program of her choice.
11. Girls who are selected for a scholarship while in high school, or before beginning college, must use their scholarship funds within five years of the date she graduates from high school or receives her G.E.D. Current college students who receive an award must use their awards within five years of the date they were awarded the scholarship. The award year begins on the date she is/ was notified of her scholarship and includes one summer, one fall, and one spring semester.
12. The scholarship grants are intended to be used in full to support a student's studies. To ensure that the award will not be considered as taxable income by the I.R.S., recipients shall not be required to do anything in exchange for their scholarship apart from those actions pertaining to enrollment and continuation in school. Recipients can be invited or encouraged to complete an internship, promote the organization, etc., but these activities cannot be required.