

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Submissions must include the following **SEVEN** items:

- 1 A completed application - emailed to Matt Kennedy at mkennedy@aidsmemorial.org should you have any questions.
- 2 A brief Personal Statement (not to exceed 500 words) that will describe some of the ways you provide service and/or leadership in efforts to end HIV (or help those living with it), and/or the fight against stigma, denial, and hate, and how your studies, career plans, or public service will contribute to those efforts. Please detail how the scholarship will help you in your career path and how that career will allow you to continue your work in a way that makes a difference. If you are applying for a second or third time, please illustrate how your work has evolved or changed since your last application.
- 3 A written Essay, not to exceed 1,500 words, in which you answer one or more of the following essay prompts of your choice.
 - a Much like Pedro himself, this scholarship seeks to support young scholars and who embody their work within the community and activism in ways inspired by their own passions, insights, originality, and conviction. Please detail how the life and legacy of Pedro Zamora has inspired you in your work and what lessons others can find in his story. Please use specific examples.
 - b Many have looked to the HIV/AIDS epidemic's activism to guide our response to COVID-19, underscoring the ways that justice movements are interconnected. How will you ensure that the decades of lessons learned in the fight against HIV/AIDS remain central to the work you do?
 - c Reflect on how your life has been impacted by fear, discrimination, stigma, or hate. Explore and describe how you are providing public service or leadership that makes a difference in the lives of people who have been historically excluded. How do you see your work in parallel to the HIV/AIDS movement?

- 4 If you have previously received a scholarship, please indicate in your personal statement and essay how your work has evolved since your last application and how the scholarship has impacted your work.
- 5 [OPTIONAL] Due to the increasing hardships on students caused by COVID19, we have added two optional questions to the application to provide applicants the opportunity to share how the pandemic has impacted their academic pursuits, activism, service, and financial needs. Though entirely optional, we encourage each applicant to answer to help reviewers better understand your needs during this unsettling and disruptive time.
- 6 At least one Letter of Recommendation from a teacher, program coordinator, supervisor/ally/community leader, or other adults who are directly involved in your social justice work, leadership, or field of study.
- 7 A transcript from current high school or college that verifies enrollment from your most recent academic year. While a transcript is required, a specific GPA is not a consideration in evaluation of scholarship applications.

Questions about these requirements can be referred to
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