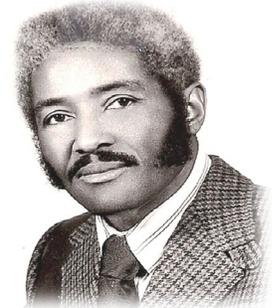


2019 ANNUAL LEROY BURGESS SCHOLARSHIP

God has blessed GACCS with the opportunity to partner with the Family and Friends of Leroy 'Buddy' Burgess in honor of his memory for the Annual GACCS Scholarship Awards.



Have you been going through a lot lately? Some day's things have been really difficult for you and you have no idea how things are going to end up as you approach adulthood? Know that you are not alone. That was more the norm for those who were before your time, say born in 1920. They had to **'take a different view of a bad situation, in order to come out a winner in the end'**.

Think about how David in the Bible had to deal with Goliath. He had to take a different view of his bad situation of fighting a giant that was over 9 feet tall. Who would have thought prayer and 3 small stones would get the job done? But David figured out a plan and came out a winner.

Now let me tell you the story about 'Buddy'. He was a minority born in the 1920s. He was challenged with the reality of prejudice, the Ku Klux Klan, poverty, unable to finish high school, and other issues, that are not as prevalent for you today. Buddy volunteered to serve in World War II, and then worked as a Pullman Porter (which was a job that started out in the 1860s given to former slaves to work on railroad sleeper cars). Pullman Porters carried bags of wealthy train riders and were respected in the community as they helped to define rail travel within the United States. Then Buddy was able to secure a job as a bus driver with what initially call Detroit Street Railway (DSR) driving street cars (also known as trolleys). It is now known as D-DOT (Detroit Department of Transportation) He worked that job for 30 years.

But Buddy's patience and determination was worth the wait because in 1971, while he was still a bus driver, he founded his own business, Enterprise Uniform Company. Why uniforms you say? Because, every job Buddy held involved him wearing some kind of uniform! Not only that, ten years later he opened up another store, in Atlanta, Georgia in 1982. At that time Leroy Burgess was deemed the second minority to own a uniform store in the United States. This is but a small portion of the Leroy 'Buddy' Burgess' Story. **But because he was brave enough to 'take a different view of a bad situation, he came out a winner in the end'.**

Leroy entered into eternal rest at the age of 89 in 2009, leaving a legacy of the importance of trusting God, focus on family, pursuing ones dreams and love for community.

The Leroy Burgess Scholarship Fund is being developed as a means of encouragement to several graduating seniors and first year undergrad students that would benefit from financial assistance \$1000 or less. We hope these funds will be used towards reaching a determined positive goal in some field of higher education, which may not necessarily be college. Eligibility will include the primary requirements below.

- Applicants must be high school students or in freshman/sophomore college level.
- Academically should have a 2.0 to 2.9 grade point
- Have an identified educational training program and documentation reflecting course requirements that the funds will be used towards.
- Submit an essay reflecting their goals in life, requirements to reach that goal, characteristics that they have to reach that goal, and how the funding will contribute towards achieving that goal.

Contact GACCS at 248 847-3600 if you have questions. Your message will be returned the next business day.

Application and essay must be post marked no later than May 7, 2019 to qualify for consideration.

Address: 47448 Pontiac Trail Ste 337 Wixom MI 48393

You will be expected to attend the awards ceremony if you are selected.
Date to be announced.

2019 GACCS LEROY BURGESS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name:		Birth Date:		Age:	
Address:		City:		State:	
				Zip Code:	
Home #:			Cell #:		
Current Institution:			Address:		
Type:			City:		Zip Code:
Current GPA: _____			Telephone #:		
Curriculum (Area of Interest)			Counselor's Name (If applicable):		
			Contact #:		
Does your school require community service hours? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>		If yes, how many hours?			
		Are you fulfilling this requirement?			
		What are you doing?			
		What is the required completion date? Answer below:			
GRADE:		AREAS OF HIGHEST INTEREST OR ACHIEVEMENT:		OPPORTUNITIES FOR IMPROVEMENT:	
YEAR GRADUATE FROM HS:					
Personal Development					
Church Currently Attending:			City:		
			Tele#:		

Briefly talk about your relationship with God:

In what area would you like to grow spiritually?

Share in a brief narrative what experiences you have that would be beneficial to your future goals:

- **Would you feel comfortable sharing your life experiences as it relates your relationship with God in order to help or witness to other teens (you can remain anonymous)?** Yes No
If no, please explain:

Name:

▪ **Are you open to learning new things? If yes, any specific skill set?**

▪ **Are you comfortable with asking for help with a new project or when you lack understanding? (Explain)**

▪ **Are you comfortable talking with Senior Citizens? Yes No Explain**

▪ **Do you find that you are able to hold intellectual conversations with mature adults?
Yes No Explain**

Goals

▪ **Share with us the goals you have for your education, career, personal life, relationships and overall wellbeing.**

Name: _____

- **How can a GACCS Leroy Burgess Scholarship Award help you reach your immediate goals?**

Volunteering

- **What characteristics do you believe someone should have to be an exceptional volunteer?**
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More About You

Share with us at least 5 things that are important to know about you:

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✓

✓

✓

Name:

Leroy Burgess Scholarship Signature Section:

I would like to be considered for one of the three 2018 Leroy Burgess Scholarship \$1000 Awards. If awarded, I understand that I am expected to attend the Leroy Burgess Scholarship Award Ceremony currently scheduled for Saturday, Jun 2nd at Farina Banquet Center in Berkley, Michigan. I have enclosed my (at least 400 words double spaced typed), essay focusing on the following topics and additional information that you believe will provide a full picture of who you are and what you have to add to the community:

- Describe your emotional and academic growth over time during your elementary, middle and high school experiences.
- What experiences and what people have had the most positive influence on you during your high school years?
- How has God played a part in your life during your high school years?
- Tell your story about your current life goals and how they came to be determined as your goals.
- Why do you believe you can succeed in this area? Who do you know that has been successful in this area?
- Talk about how you have managed the challenges in your life.
- Why do you believe you are the best candidate to receive this award?

I have made my parent/guardian aware that I am submitting this application with essay and if selected to receive an award, my presence is required at the award event.

Printed Name: _____ **Age** _____

Signature: _____ **Application Date:** _____

To confirm that your parent/guardian(s) is aware that you are submitting this application and is in agreement with your participation, it is required that the section be completed below.

Parent Acknowledgment of Application Submission

Parent(s) Name:	Address:		
	City:	State:	Zip Code:
Email Address:			
Tele Contact #1:	Tele Contact#2:		

I am fully aware that my teen has submitted application for the 2018 Leroy Burgess Scholarship Award and am in support of his participation, and acceptance of this award if selected.

Is there anything that you would like GACCS to know about your son/daughter that would be helpful for us to know? Are there talents or experiences that he/she has that they have not shared in this application that you would like the Scholarship Committee to know? If so, please attach sheet.

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