

# **RANACHQUA FOUNDATION, INC.**

## **HIRSCH/RANACHQUA COLLEGE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM INFORMATION**

### **\$5,000 COLLEGE ASSISTANCE GRANTS ARE AVAILABLE TO A SCOUTS WHO:**

- Is an active member of a traditional Bronx 'SCOUTS BSA' Troop
  - Will graduate high school in 2024 and enter college during the next academic year
- \*\*\* Note: Bronx residence is no longer required.

Ranachqua Foundation was established 75 years ago by Bronx Boy Scouts who, during the summer months, attended the Ten Mile River Scout Camps.

The summer camp experience provided them with early leadership opportunities that, to a large degree, significantly affected their lives.

This group, a few at first, grew while they worked together each summer and moved into staff positions at camp.

Wanting to encourage others to partake in this program, they raised funds to provide campership money for Bronx scouts who would otherwise not be able to attend.

Currently we assist in providing the opportunity each summer for several hundred boys to attend the Ten Mile River Scout camps and Cub World.

In 2000, we established our "**College Assistance Program.**" The purpose of this program is to provide funds to Bronx Scouts who are active members of a traditional Bronx 'SCOUTS BSA' troop, are graduating high school seniors, and are about to enter college in the Fall, for the purpose of helping with the costs of books, transportation, etc. Selection is based on the evaluation of the applicant's record of leadership and service to Scouting and the community, rather than on financial need.

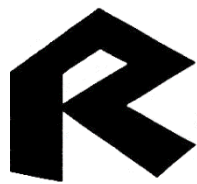
In 2024, students will be selected who will be starting college in the Fall of 2024. They will receive an award of \$1,250 per year from Ranachqua Foundation (2 installments of \$625 per semester). These students will be eligible to continue to receive the award for each of the following years in college (up to 8 full-time semesters total, over a 6-year period) if they maintain good standing in college and continue to be involved in appropriate community service and leadership.

**For additional information,** e-mail: [ranachquafound@aol.com](mailto:ranachquafound@aol.com)

**For additional copies of this application,** go to: [www.ranachquafoundation.org](http://www.ranachquafoundation.org), and click on the COLLEGE ASSISTANCE GRANTS tab, then scroll down to the application link and click on the link.

**APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY APRIL 30, 2024**

Mail to: Ranachqua Foundation, 1732 Astor Avenue, Bronx, NY 10469



# RANACHQUA FOUNDATION, INC.

## 2024 HIRSCH / RANACHQUA COLLEGE ASSISTANCE GRANT APPLICATION

In order to apply for this Ranachqua Foundation grant, a Bronx Scout must be:

- An active member of a traditional Bronx 'SCOUTS BSA' Troop
  - Graduating high school in 2024 and entering college during the next academic year
- \*\*\* **Note:** Bronx residence is no longer required.

Each scout selected in 2024 will receive an award of \$1,250 per year, with \$625 payable in September and \$625 payable in February. These students will be eligible to renew the award for each of the following years, for a total of 8 full-time semesters during the next 6 years, if they maintain good standing in college and continue to demonstrate appropriate leadership in the community. (Maximum total is \$5,000.)

Recipients will be selected based on evidence of their leadership in and service to Scouting and the community. Hirsch-Ranachqua awards are not need-based.

**MAIL TO:** Ranachqua Foundation, 1732 Astor Avenue, Bronx, NY 10469.

\*\*\* All applications and supporting materials must be postmarked no later than April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. # \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_, State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant E-mail (not linked to your high school) \_\_\_\_\_

Full name: Mother \_\_\_\_\_ Father \_\_\_\_\_ Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Parent E-mail Addresses: Primary \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate \_\_\_\_\_

### SCOUTING RECORD:

Troop # \_\_\_\_\_ Scout Rank \_\_\_\_\_ # of years in troop \_\_\_\_\_

Scoutmaster's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Scoutmaster's Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Scoutmaster's E-Mail (print clearly) \_\_\_\_\_

Leadership positions in Scouting, including dates:

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How did you hear about this grant?  Mailing to parent  From Scoutmaster  From Council

GNYC website  Other \_\_\_\_\_

## APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

### REQUIRED ENCLOSURE LIST:

It is your responsibility to make certain that your name and address are on each letter submitted.

- Application, filled out by scout. You may attach extra pages.
- Your required essay.
- Letter of recommendation from your Scoutmaster confirming your active participation in Scouting.
- Additional letters from adults who have had an opportunity to observe your leadership abilities in Scouting and/or in community service activities.
- (optional, but highly recommended) Additional letters, awards, certificates, etc. to help the committee make its selections.

### REQUIRED ESSAY: Your ESSAY should include the following topics:

*Applicants are encouraged to give detailed descriptions of length and depth of involvement.*

- Troop involvement, leadership examples, participation in and organization of community service projects, such as troop projects, Eagle projects, school service, etc.
- Other participation in Scouting (e.g. Cub Scouts, Venture, Exploring, Order of the Arrow, Jamborees, Scout camp staff, special activities), including leadership positions, if any.
- School activities, with details and leadership positions, if any.
- Community activities, with details of service, and leadership positions, if any.
- College plans, including college you hope to attend, or to which you have applied.
- Plans for involvement in Scouting and/or the community next year while in college.
- What you have learned from your Scouting experience.
- Why are you especially worthy of receiving this assistance.

### IF YOU ARE SELECTED, YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO SEND:

- Copy of the acceptance letter from the college you will be attending.
- A letter from the college indicating that you are enrolled for the 2021 Fall semester
- Proof of payment from the Bursar's Office for Fall semester, and additional proof of payment or Bursar's letter for the Spring semester.

### TO RENEW THIS AWARD FOR SUBSEQUENT YEARS:

You will be required to complete a College Assistance Renewal Application and submit proof of payment or Bursar's letter for each additional semester you attend. **You are also expected to give service to Scouting and/or the community during each school year**, and to submit a letter each fall (starting sophomore year) describing the involvement in Scouting and/or the community you provided during the previous school year.

### APPLICATION AND ENCLOSURES SHOULD BE MAILED TO:

Ranachqua Foundation, Inc., 1732 Astor Avenue, Bronx, NY 10469

**\* All submissions must be postmarked no later than April 30th.**

#### RANACHQUA FOUNDATION

*Ranachqua Foundation was established in 1948 by Bronx Boy Scouts who, during the summer months, attended the Ten Mile River Scout Camps. This experience provided them with early leadership opportunities that, to a large degree, significantly affected their lives. The group grew while they worked together each summer and moved into camp staff positions. Wanting to encourage others to partake in this program, they raised funds to provide campership money for Bronx scouts who would otherwise not be able to attend. Over 17,000 Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts have received a total of over \$900,000 in campership assistance thus far. Currently we assist in providing the opportunity for several hundred boys to attend the TMR camps each summer.*

#### HIRSCH / RANACHQUA COLLEGE ASSISTANCE FUND

*This fund is financed in large part by an endowment from the late Rhoda K. Hirsch, in memory of her husband, Sol S. Hirsch. A graduate of CCNY, the Sorbonne, and University of Grenoble, Mr. Hirsch was a news correspondent in France and for the Reuters news agency, and an editor with the Office of Inter-American Affairs. He served as a U.S. Army intelligence officer in WWII, assigned to the Office of Strategic Services, a forerunner of the CIA, in France and Luxembourg. After the war he joined the Foreign Service, serving four years as a press officer in Paris and then Washington. His final job was as head of the editorial division of the USIA's International Press Service. A camper and member of the camp staff at Camp Ranachqua at T.M.R., Mr. Hirsch credited his Boy Scout experiences as a major influence on his success later in life. Thus far over \$440,000 has been paid out or committed to 65 grant recipients.*