



National Hook-Up of Black Women, Inc. Gadsden Chapter

2022 Dr. Jessie V. Furlow Scholarship

Scholarship Amount - \$500.00 - \$1,000.00

Dr. Jessie V. Furlow, MD 1949 - 2006



Dr. Jessie V. Furlow was born January 19, 1949 in Memphis, Tennessee to Mrs. Georgia Carr and Mr. Jessie Carr. Her father died before she was born. Her mother later remarried and she was adopted by her stepfather Mr. Hosea Furlow, Jr. Dr. Furlow was the eldest of four children.

Dr. Furlow had a true passion for providing quality healthcare to people – especially the people of Gadsden, and as a practicing physician at the Gadsden Medical Center, she provided quality medical care to patients throughout the Gadsden community. She received her Bachelor's degree from Lane College in 1971 and her M.D. from the University of Rochester in 1975.

Among her many contributions to the medical field, Dr. Furlow served as the vice-chair of the Florida Commission on Minority Health, was on the Board for Shanks High School's health clinic, and as a member of Florida State University's Board of Trustees, she provided early assistance in launching Florida State University's College of Medicine. She served as Lead Provider with Gadsden Medical Center, which is now The Dr. Jessie Furlow Medical Center. Dr. Furlow was the founding President of the National Hook-Up of Black Women, Inc. - Gadsden Chapter, a charitable organization dedicated to improving the lives of Black families through support of the arts, culture, health, education, and human service programs.

On June 24, 2006, at the age of 57, Dr. Jessie V. Furlow died, leaving behind a legacy of dedication to the citizens of Gadsden County and the medical field.

SCHOLARSHIP PURPOSE - The purpose of the Dr. Jessie V. Furlow Scholarship, in honor of the Gadsden Chapter's founding President, Dr. Jessie V. Furlow, MD, is to recognize and honor Gadsden County students who have demonstrated academic excellence, concern for their community and the family, and a desire to continue their education.

ABOUT NATIONAL HOOK-UP OF BLACK WOMEN, INC. (NHBW, Inc.) - NHBW, Inc. was established in 1974 as a communication network between women's organizations and individuals to support the Congressional Black Caucus Legislative efforts and to provide a national forum to articulate the needs and concerns of Black women and families. The Gadsden Chapter of the NHBW, Inc. was founded and chartered in 1995.

NHBW, INC. MISSION STATEMENT – NHBW, Inc. is a charitable organization dedicated to improving the lives of families through the arts, culture, health wellness, education and human service programs.

NHBW, INC. MEMBERSHIP - NHBW, Inc. membership reflects a rich diversity of dedicated women from varied business, professional, and community disciplines, representing a broad constituency that crosses all economic, social and educational backgrounds. Membership is open to anyone who embraces the mission of the organization.

Eligibility Requirements

- A graduating high school senior
- Proof of acceptance at an accredited college or university for the 2022 Fall Semester
- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.75 or better, documented by a current high school transcript
- Involvement in school and community activities
- Verification of at least 100 hours of community service
- Demonstration of written communication skills in a 450-500-word, typed and double-spaced essay on one of the topics listed below:
 1. **One of the goals of NHBW, Inc. is to provide a means to build better communities through service activities. Describe a community service organization and/or activity you have been involved in and why.**
 2. **The NHBW, Inc. works throughout the year to help students reach their personal goals. Describe your goals for the future and how this scholarship will help you achieve those goals.**

Additional Requirements

- Two (2) Letters of Recommendation (Letters from family members are not acceptable.)
- A recent photo with full name listed on back

Applicant's Personal Information:

DR. JESSIE V. FURLOW SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____

Address _____ **City** _____

State & Zip _____ **Phone No** _____

Email _____

High School Currently Attending _____

College/University you will attend _____

College Major _____

Please list your favorite school activity and why it is your favorite.

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I hereby affirm that all the stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I hereby understand that if selected as a scholarship recipient, it is my responsibility to submit the documentation needed to disburse the scholarship award and if documentation is not received **OR** the Scholarship Committee is not contacted by September 30, 2022, I forfeit my right to the scholarship.

Printed Name of Applicant _____

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Checklist

- Scholarship Application
- Proof of acceptance at an accredited college/university
- Seven (7) semester high school transcript
- Verification of community service hours
- Essay
- Two (2) letters of recommendation
- A recent photo with full name listed on back
- Personal Statement

The complete application packet must be received by the Scholarship Committee no later than April 30, 2022. Please mail to:

NHBW, Inc. – Gadsden Chapter
Scholarship Committee
PO Box 1126
Quincy, FL 32353

Scholarship recipients will be notified by May 15, 2022. If you have questions, please contact Ms. Debra W. Roberts at (850) 980-4729 or email nhbwgadsden@gmail.com.