

# **SEABOARD REGION TIKUN OLAM SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION for UNITED SYNAGOGUE YOUTH INTERNATIONAL SUMMER PROGRAMS**

## **DIRECTIONS AND GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **Application Procedure**

This form is due promptly on April 3, 2017 for all 2017 USY summer programs. Scholarship applications for Nativ should be submitted as soon as possible and will be considered at appropriate times. *The Region reserves the right not to accept late forms, as limited funds are available.*

PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOUR ENTIRE PROGRAM APPLICATION, INCLUDING YOUR ESSAY, IS SUBMITTED ALONG WITH THIS FORM.

**Send your form to:** Seaboard Region USY  
Tikun Olam Scholarships  
2200 Baltimore Road, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Rockville, MD 20851

After your form is received, you may be contacted to schedule an interview, which will take place following review of your application. **Scholarship notification will not be given until the end of April.** In order to facilitate the application process, please print neatly or type this application and be as thorough as possible.

If you have any questions, please contact Regional Director of Youth Activities, Sasha Bloch at (301) 838-7695, x 1 or by e-mail at [bloch@uscj.org](mailto:bloch@uscj.org)

### **Background**

30% of the Tikun Olam funds raised by Seaboard Region USY and its chapters during the year goes toward providing these scholarships. Scholarships are awarded by a subcommittee of the Regional Youth Commission.

### **Types of Scholarships**

We are aware that there are some USYers who will not be able to participate in a program without financial assistance. Therefore, our first priority is to offer **need-based** financial scholarships. **Merit-based** scholarships, though secondary, may also be awarded depending on available funds. We ask that you read the descriptions of both types of scholarships carefully and be honest in terms of your needs.

#### **NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS**

These scholarships are provided for those who are in serious financial need and will not be able to participate in the program without assistance. Your application requires some financial information that is to be reported by a parent or guardian. All applications and financial information will be kept confidential among the members of the scholarship committee. NOTE: If you applied for but were not awarded a need-based scholarship, you will be automatically considered for a merit-based scholarship.

#### **MERIT-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS**

If there are funds available after need-based scholarships have been awarded, scholarships will be provided to other applicants based on merit (i.e., chapter and regional involvement).

We do understand that these programs are expensive and we wish that we could provide for every USYer. However, Tikun Olam funds are limited, and scholarships cannot be relied on as a major source of funding. We encourage you to look elsewhere for additional financial assistance.

**T.O. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM**  
**PART I - GENERAL INFORMATION**  
**(to be completed by USYer)**

**Directions**

Complete this form whether you are applying for a need- or merit-based scholarship. Please print or type and take care to provide accurate information.

For which type of scholarship are you applying? (check one)     need-based                       merit-based

Any scholarship money I receive should be applied to the following program (check one):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> USY Israel Adventure                   | <input type="checkbox"/> "Classic" USY on Wheels          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> USY Israel Pilgrimage/Poland Seminar   | <input type="checkbox"/> USY on Wheels: Pacific Northwest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> USY Eastern European/Israel Pilgrimage | <input type="checkbox"/> USY on Wheels, East              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DREAM USY                              | <input type="checkbox"/> USY on Wheels, West              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> L'Takayn Olam                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Nativ                            |

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (        ) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Synagogue \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter (if different) \_\_\_\_\_

Will you have been a member of USY for at least one year when your program begins?     yes     no

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Are you (the USYer) planning on making a contribution to the cost of your program?     yes     no

If yes, how much? \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe your involvement in USY on the chapter, regional, and international levels. Include offices/positions held, conventions attended, etc. You may attach additional sheets if necessary.

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Please describe your most moving/powerful USY experience.

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What do you hope to get out of the USY Program for which you have applied?

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How do you envision your involvement with USY after you return from this program?

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**PLEASE INCLUDE WITH THIS APPLICATION A COPY OF YOUR  
PROGRAM APPLICATION INCLUDING ANY ESSAYS.**

I have answered all of the above items truthfully and completely to the best of my ability in order that I may be considered for a Tikun Olam scholarship.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**T.O. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM**  
**PART II – FINANCIAL INFORMATION**  
**(to be completed by parent/guardian)**

**Directions**

Complete this form ONLY if you are applying for a need-based scholarship. All financial information will be kept confidential among the members of the scholarship committee.

Costs for **2016** USY International Programs are as follows. **2017** Prices will be updated as available:

|                       |                 |                                  |          |
|-----------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|----------|
| Israel Adventure      | \$6,695         | USY on Wheels                    | \$7,645  |
| L'Takayn Olam         | \$5,995         | USY on Wheels, East              | \$5,445  |
| Poland/Israel Seminar | \$8,790         | USY on Wheels, Pacific Northwest | \$5,845  |
| Eastern Europe/Israel | \$9,435/\$8,990 | USY on Wheels, East              | \$5,445  |
| DREAM USY             | \$2,899         | Nativ                            | \$25,200 |

Please provide the following information:

Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Gross Income 2016 \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Gross Income 2017 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Gross Income 2016 \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Gross Income 2017 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Are there other dependents living with you/for whom you are financially responsible?  yes  no

If yes, please specify name and relationship.

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Please list children who are currently in college.

*Name of child*                      *Annual Estimated Tuition (\$)*                      *Year of Graduation*

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Have you approached your synagogue for financial assistance?  yes  no

How much will your synagogue contribute? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

