



Robert Hassin Scholarship

Robert Hassin (January 12, 1950 – May 18, 2002) dedicated his life, talents and resources to improving the quality of life for children and their families. Robert Hassin was the President/CEO of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Chicago from 1991 – 2001. He was the first African-American president of the organization. During his tenure, he developed a strategic plan, called “Networking for Kids,” which included a revised mission with a special emphasis on partnering with other community entities to build an impregnable network to help kids grow into strong, caring, productive adults.

Before coming to Chicago, Robert worked in administrative capacities in the not-for-profit sector for 30 years, beginning with his 20 year involvement with Boys & Girls Clubs in Louisville, Kentucky. He then served as the assistant executive vice president for Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Washington. Robert Hassin was one of the founders of the Society of African American Professionals (SOAAP).

In December 2002 the Society of African American Professionals established the Robert Hassin Scholarship that awards up to \$1,000 to Boys & Girls Clubs Professionals that are members of SOAAP to assist in their attendance at the Boys & Girls Clubs of America National Conference.

Applicant’s Eligibility

- Must be currently employed by a Boys & Girls Club for at least one (1) year prior to date of application.
- Must be a member of the Society of African American Professionals.
- Must obtain approval from Chief Professional Officer for attendance at the National Conference.
- Must be able to identify sources for additional funds to cover expenses.

Criteria for Selecting Recipient

- Active involvement in the Society of African American Professionals
- Active involvement in the Boys & Girls Club Movement
- Successful performance in current position
- Demonstrated financial need.

The Society of African American Professionals will appoint a scholarship committee that will be responsible for selection of the Robert Hassin Scholar. The Scholar will be announced to the Society of African American Professionals members and the National Movement.

APPLICATION
(DUE A MINIMUM OF 60 DAYS PRIOR TO CONFERENCE)

Name: _____ Home Phone () _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Club Name: _____ Club Phone: () _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Current Club Position: _____ Length in Position: _____

Date Started in B&GC Movement: _____ Length in Movement: _____

Member of S. O. A. A. P.? ___ Yes ___ No Number of Years a Member: _____

COST:	Registration:	\$ _____
	Travel:	\$ _____
	Lodging:	\$ _____
	Meals:	\$ _____
	Other:	\$ _____
	TOTAL	\$ _____

AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$ _____

Other scholarship funds applied: \$ _____

Allocation from Club Budget: \$ _____

Personal Contribution: \$ _____

On a separate sheet of paper, please answer each of the following items with a short paragraph:

- List work history (Include dates, organization, and position).
- Describe any professional/community involvement.
- Share your involvement with the Society of African American Professionals.
- What are your career goals?

Also include a letter of recommendation from your Chief Professional Officer

Should I fail to attend the Boys & Girls Clubs of America National Conference, I agree to return all scholarship monies I have received from the S.O.A.A.P.

Print Name

Date

Signature