

## **Collegiate Life Investment Foundation Clifton B. Gibbs Scholarship Program,**

The Collegiate Life Investment Foundation is pleased to announce the inaugural academic year of the Clifton B. Gibbs Scholarship Program. In honor of his legacy of education and achievement, we rightfully name the distracted driving scholarship program after our beloved, the deceased, Clifton B. Gibbs. Clifton graduated from high school from central High school in Memphis, TN in 2006 with honors. He continued this legacy, and furthered his education at Christian Brothers University, where he received his Bachelors of Business, in Marketing in 2011. While at Christian Brothers, he was a dedicated member of the collegiate Tennis Team, a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Incorporated, and was known as one of the most generous and dedicated participants to have graced the campus.

The scholarship program is intended to provide financial assistant to individuals who are furthering their academic studies, committed to a life free from distracted driving, and who embody the same spirit of achievement in all fill of human endeavors. Please view the following pages for program information and carefully follow the instructions for all Applicants. Good Luck to all!

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# The Clifton B. Gibbs Scholarship Program

This packet contains general information about the sponsoring foundation, the scholarship program, along with the application and instructions for the Applicant. Any Questions regarding the scholarship program or the application should be directed to Larissa E. Redmond at (901) 493-2478, [Larissa.Redmond@clif2012.org](mailto:Larissa.Redmond@clif2012.org).

The purpose of the Clifton B. Gibbs Scholarship Fund is to grant a book scholarship to qualified students who are pursuing full time undergraduate degree at a local institution. Scholarships are awarded on a competition basis when applicants are judged on their eligibility, compliance, academic achievement, and original essay. Scholarship award for the current year will not exceed \$2500 maximum per applicant and the total number of scholarship awards issued will depend on the availability of funds. All scholarship awards will be transmitted via check, made out to the bookstore of the applicant's designated learning institution and only used for textbooks and learning supplies, unless otherwise stated by administrator. Award recommendations and final selection will be at the discretion of the Clifton B. Gibbs Scholarship Committee.

## **APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

1. Only students 16 years or older, a valid State of Tennessee issued ID, and owns a state of Tennessee registered vehicle can apply (Vehicles that are not registered in applicants name must show proof that the car is primarily in use by the applicant). These are the only eligible applicants.
2. Must be currently enrolled as a full time student or minimum of 12 credit/semester hours at a Tennessee accredited college/university, in pursuit of a degree, or in pursuit of a certification. Official proof of enrollment from the university for the current semester, must accompany the application.
3. Must show proof of satisfactory academic standing. A copy of your latest official transcript will be the document that is provided. If you are an entering Freshman, your high school official transcript, in addition to your GED, SAT, or ACT score is required.
4. Applicants must have completed at least **15** community service hours, and a letter/form(s) from the sponsoring group must be attached to account for all hours.
5. Applicants must submit an video/presentation (not to exceed 3 minutes in length) **OR** essay, typed, double spaced, and a minimum of 1,000 words and no more than 2,000 words, answering the following question: How has distracted driving impacted your life, and what specific steps can be taken to prevent it's negligence in the future?" Please retype the question at the top of the essay response and omit your surname so that your essay may be evaluated objectively.
6. If selected, student(s) will be required to serve as a CLIF intern for at least a semester during your first year of college, which will include participation in CLIF events, community involvement, etc. Estimated less than 10 hours a week. Students who do not fulfill obligations of internship, scholarship will be revoked.

## **OPTIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

1. Applicants can submit up to **2** letters of recommendation from a current professor, school administrator, or community leader to attest to the character and worth ethic of the applicant.

**\*\*\*Letters of recommendation are not a requirement to be selected as a scholarship winner, however, they are highly suggested.\*\*\***

**Send all application packets to: Collegiate Life Investment Foundation  
Attn: Scholarship Committee  
4887 Ortie Dr  
Memphis, TN 38109**

**Remember, all applications must be submitted via US Mail and postmarked by April 1<sup>st</sup> OR via email at: [info@clif2012.org](mailto:info@clif2012.org) (emailed scholarship packets should be saved in pdf format).**

**Late applications will not be considered for review.**

# Application

## Clifton B. Gibbs Scholarship Program

**Applicants, please complete the following information, and attach to the top of your scholarship packet.**

Name First \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Current Class Status: \_\_\_\_\_ Current/Intended Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

What current organizations are you involved in?

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List of Service Hours (please attached addition letters/forms to application):

Name of Organizations	Description of Service Performed	Number of Hours Completed

Car Make/Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Driver Lic #/State: \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## **Application Checklist**

### **Clifton B. Gibbs Scholarship Program**

- ✓ Completed Application (Page 2)
- ✓ Front and back copy of Applicant's driver license
- ✓ Proof of car ownership and insurance (not required for high school applicants)
- ✓ Official Sealed Transcript from Institution
- ✓ GED, SAT, or ACT scores if applicable
- ✓ Community Service Completion Letters/Forms
- ✓ Personal Essay
- ✓ Recommendation Letter(s) \*optional\*



# Clifton Bernard Gibbs

1988 - 2012

Clifton Bernard Gibbs was born June 09, 1988, in Memphis, Tennessee, and early on he had to fight for his life. Born as a premature baby, at a little over one pound, the hospital staff was amazed by his determination to live at such a young age. At birth, it was clear that Clifton would live to be an extraordinary man.

As a young boy, Clifton was extremely active and energetic. Athletically, he was recognized on a national level in golf, tennis, and soccer; however, tennis remained his first love.

As a high school student Clifton engaged himself in activities in and outside of the classroom; which he excelled in. Aside from sports, he was also recognized for his involvement in national science competitions and other scholarly programs. In 2006 Clifton graduated from Central High School with honors.

After high school, Clifton attended Christian Brothers University in Memphis, Tennessee, where he was a member and later captain of the Division II Tennis Team. In the fall of 2009, Clifton became a member of the Omicron Epsilon Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc; of which he dedicated his time, effort, and love to give back to his brothers and the community. Clifton graduated from Christian Brothers University on May 14, 2011 with a Bachelor in Business Administration.

After college, Clifton entered the NexAir Management Leadership Program, where he blossom and worked faithfully until his sudden passing in February 2012.

Clifton was a loving you man who loved God and positively impacted the lives of every person he encountered. Although he was a big jokester, Clifton was extremely loyal and serious about his school and his fraternity. In his four years at Christian Brothers he serviced his school and his community, always with a smile.