



## **The Lift Every Voice Pearl Fryar Scholarship**

*"I was an average student academically; that's where I came from...then I created this garden that's international known. It shows that a kid who is average academically can still make important contributions to our society. I want people to be aware of that. I want to be able to encourage those students that don't always get the attention that may give them the courage to go after their own dreams." Pearl Fryar, Lee County Observer*

### **Purpose**

This scholarship is named after Pearl Fryar, someone who, only later in life, discovered that he had both a talent and a passion for creating art out of trees, shrubs and found objects. He followed his newly found dream and today he is world renowned for his garden and his topiary art. This award assists a younger generation wanting to do explore their interests.

### **Description**

Scholarships up to \$300 will be awarded. Recipients may use the funds for any program, activity, fees, course materials or software. Awards must be used before September 1, 2016.

### **Eligibility**

All scholars who completed the 2015 eLEVate program may apply for the scholarship.

**Deadline Date/Submission.** Submit all application materials, *by mail*, no later than **October 1** to: Pearl Fryar Scholarship, Lift Ev'ry Voice, P.O. Box 2275, Pittsfield, MA 01201.

### **Application Process**

A completed application consists of:

1. A stamped, self-addressed envelop for notification about the winners of the scholarship.
2. A statement of detailing the exact use of the scholarship, including any costs and inclusive dates. Be specific. Cite exact amounts, when known, for fees, materials, etc.
3. A statement of *no more than 125 words* on how this scholarship will assist the applicant in realizing her/his dreams.
4. Answer the question, *which eLEVate activity did I enjoy most?* Explain your answer. *No more than 75 words.*
5. Answer the question, *which eLEVate activity did I learn the most about myself?* Explain your answer. *No more than 75 words.*
6. Answer the question, *if hired to be a mentor, what new eLEVate activity would I want to do with scholars?* Explain your answer. *No more than 75 words.*
7. Answer the question, *based on the eLEVate experience, "what is my community?"*
8. Lift Ev'ry Voice may ask you for additional information about the specific nature of your request if it is needed necessary to make a decision about an award.