



City of Coral Gables
405 Biltmore Way
Coral Gables, FL 33134

DR. DONALD R. HOPKINS / WILLIAM A. COOPER 2010 COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

The Donald R. Hopkins / William A. Cooper Scholarship Program was established in 1989 by the City of Coral Gables to help young black residents in Coral Gables complete their educational and career goals. Dr. Hopkins was born in Coral Gables. He received his BS from Morehouse College, his Doctor of Medicine from the University of Chicago, and his Master of Public Health degree from Harvard University. Dr. Hopkins is the Associate Executive Director of the Carter Center where he directs all health programs. Prior to joining the Carter Center in 1987, he served as Deputy Director of the Centers for Disease Control from 1984-1987. Dr. Hopkins was instrumental in the eradication of the Guinea Worm disease and the control of River Blindness worldwide.

The scholarship is based on financial need, academic performance, career goals, and residency. The scholarship is available on a competitive basis with awards generally ranging from \$1,000 to \$3,000 annually. The maximum award possible is \$5,000 per year. The Committee has the right to reject all applicants if none prove qualified and deserving, and to recommend that the City Commission not fund the scholarship for a given year.

The recipient must be a resident of the City of Coral Gables, a student at Coral Gables High School, African American* and have a minimum 2.5 GPA. The award is for a maximum of \$5,000 and may be renewed for up to three additional years provided all requirements and conditions of the scholarship award continue to be satisfied and documented. In order to maintain the scholarship through a four-year college period, the recipient must remain a full-time student in college (12 semester credits per term minimum), maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA, continue residency in Coral Gables, and reapply for the scholarship each year, submitting evidence of course work, GPA, and residency. The check will be sent directly to the college or university and should be used to defray expenses in the following areas by priority: tuition, room and board, textbooks and personal needs.

Applicants satisfying the base requirements and demonstrating the highest financial need will receive special consideration. Completed applications must be returned by 12:00 pm noon May 28, 2010 to the CAP office at Coral Gables Senior High School. A postmark does not satisfy the deadline requirement; applications must be received in the designated office by the deadline.

If no qualified students apply, then there will be no recipients for that year.