

# LINKSCHOLARS PROGRAM

## APPLICATION INFORMATION

The LinkScholars program is an initiative of the Columbia Chapter of Links, Inc. It is designed to identify and support (financially, emotionally and socially) two graduating low-income African American high school seniors from central South Carolina.

*Knowledge is  
Power...*

*And Power  
Breeds Purpose.*

### **APPLICATION CRITERIA**

- Applicants must be an African American graduate of a high school serving Fairfield, Lexington, Richland, Kershaw or Sumter counties.
- Preference will be given to applicants attending a Historically Black College or University.
- Applicants must be entering their freshman year at an institution of higher learning in South Carolina which is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools or a comparable regional accrediting organization.
- Applicants must have a minimum 2.8 GPA on a 4.0 scale and have a combined SAT score of 900.
- Scholarships are renewable based on the applicant maintaining a minimum 2.8 GPA, holding a "good standing" in the college community and providing the Columbia Chapter of Links, Inc. documentation of each semester's academic record.

The LinkScholar Program Selection Committee will review the applications and attachments and make the award selection based on the above criteria. All awards will be made without regard to religion, color, national origin, sex or disability.

### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

All applicants must complete the scholarship application form and submit it along with required attachments to:

**Central Carolina Community Foundation  
Scholarship Committee  
2711 Middleburg Drive, Suite 213  
Columbia, South Carolina 29204**

If you have any questions contact Veronica L. Pinkett-Barber at 803.254.5601 x.331.

**Applications must be in the Community Foundation office by March 15. If this date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, the materials are due by 5:00 p.m. on the following business day.**