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Soroptimist International of Kona

YOUTH CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

Youth Citizenship Awards (YCA) are given in recognition of the outstanding contributions made by young people (between the ages of 14-18) to home, school, community, country and the world by Soroptimist International of Kona.

Soroptimist International of Kona was established in 1971 by Soroptimist International of the Americas. Soroptimist International of the Americas is one of four federations of the worlds' largest classified service organization for executive and professional women. More than 100,000 members in more than 1,500 clubs in 19 countries and territories belong to Soroptimist International.

Instructions

Please complete this application as thoroughly as possible and return it to Soroptimist International of Kona, P.O. Box 5196, Kailua-Kona, Hawaii 96745-5196 **before the December 1 deadline.**

Before you begin completing this application, **be sure that you meet the Youth Citizenship Awards conditions, rules and regulations as stated on the last page of this application.**

Applications should be typed. If you absolutely cannot get your application typed, **use black ink and print very neatly.**

PART 1. PERSONAL DATA

Name _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Mailing Address _____
(Number and Street)

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Area Code/Phone _____ Social Security No. _____

Birth Date _____ Expected Graduation Date _____

School _____ Location _____

PART II. ESSAY

In a typewritten essay, up to 750 words, summarize your community activities, emphasizing those that demonstrate strong citizenship involvement. What is your role in these activities and why did you get involved? What do you consider your responsibility as a citizen of your community? How do you view your role as a citizen of the world? Describe your plans for the future and how they relate to citizenship. How would this award help you in reaching your goals in the future?

PART V. ADDITIONAL MATERIALS (optional)

Please feel free to submit any supporting materials that you think we should see (for example, newspaper clippings, photographs, etc.). Additional materials are optional. Make sure that your name and phone number are on all additional materials.

Part VI. Reference

Please include one letter from a professional in your life, if you have done volunteer work, have the Director of the program write a letter of reference. One of your teachers or principal at your school.

PART VII. AGREEMENT

I have read and hereby accept the conditions, rules and regulations outlined in this application and I agree to accept the decision of the judges as final.

I certify that I did not receive any assistance (other than typing, if applicable) in completing this application.

I understand that this award is taxable in the United States.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____



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CONDITIONS, RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR YOUTH CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

The Awards

Youth Citizenship Awards are given in recognition of the outstanding contributions made by young people to home, school, community, and the world. They are **not** scholarships but “awards of merit” to be used at the discretion of the recipient in any manner that will best further his/her aims and purposes. The cash award is given in a single payment to each winner.

Eligibility and Qualifications

To be eligible, the applicant must be in the last two years of public or private high school or its equivalent. The applicant must not have reached the age of 19 prior to July 1 of the year of the award. Soroptimist International of Kona must receive completed applications by December 1. To qualify for the award, which is judged on the citizenship and merit of the applicant, a student must demonstrate the following:

1. **Service** – Applicant must have taken an active part in service in the home, school and community, with a high degree of cooperation, courtesy and consideration for others.
2. **Dependability** – Applicant must have executed responsibilities with honesty, loyalty and reliability.
3. **Leadership** – Applicant must have demonstrated ability to lead with self-control, dignity and responsibility.
4. **Clear Sense of Purpose** – Applicant must have pursued his/her goals and commitments with sincerity and integrity.

Other Requirements

Applicant must complete this official Soroptimist International of Kona Youth Citizenship Awards application.

Applicant may apply for only one award from Soroptimist International of Kona.

Applications and supporting information become the property of Soroptimist International of Kona, which shall have discretionary authority in all matters pertaining to this award.

Soroptimists, Soroptimist employees, and the immediate families of both are ineligible. Previous winners are also ineligible.

Applicant is to retain a copy of their submission for future reference. Original is to be sent to:

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