



The Tyrese Caesar
Foundation
Against Gun Violence



H.O.P.E SCHOLARSHIP

HELPING OTHERS PURSUE EDUCATION
EMPOWERING MINDS, SHAPING FUTURES



2026

**THE H.O.P.E SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
STUDENT BROCHURE**



ABOUT THE TYRESE CAESAR FOUNDATION AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE

The Tyrese Caesar Foundation Against Gun Violence (#1644) is a registered charitable organization dedicated to supporting families affected by gun violence and working toward building safer communities in Barbados. The Foundation was registered on July 29, 2022, following the tragic death of Tyrese Caesar—a university student and an amazing, inspiring young man.

Through education, advocacy, and community support programmes, we transform pain into purpose and research into reform.

Our Vision:

To create a Barbados where every individual can live free from the threat of gun violence, where healing is supported, and where education empowers the next generation of leaders and change-makers.

Our Mission:

To provide support, advocacy, and resources to those affected by gun violence while working to prevent future violence through education, community engagement, and policy reform.



ABOUT THE H.O.P.E SCHOLARSHIP

As part of our mission to support healing and build safer communities, the Tyrese Caesar Foundation Against Gun Violence (#1644), a registered charitable organisation, is proud to offer the H.O.P.E (Helping Others Pursue Education) Scholarship.

This initiative provides financial assistance to eligible individuals who have been directly impacted by gun violence or who are committed to advancing justice and violence prevention through education.

Together, we transform educational dreams into reality and empower the next generation of leaders and professionals dedicated to positive community impact.

"EMPOWERING MINDS, SHAPING FUTURES"

What does "Empowering minds, shaping futures" mean?

Education is a transformative force that empowers individuals, fosters social progress, and drives sustainable development. By equipping individuals with knowledge, skills and values, education shapes minds and transforms societies.

WHO WE SUPPORT

The H.O.P.E Scholarship Programme provides financial support for students in approved courses of study. Students must be enrolled full-time and be granted approval by the Foundation for their course of study. H.O.P.E has a main goal of supporting students in achieving their educational goals and empowering them to reach their full potential.

Eligibility Requirements:

- 1 Students must be enrolled full-time at an accredited institution**
- 2 Must receive Foundation approval for their chosen course of study**
- 3 All scholarship recipients must maintain academic standards as determined by the Foundation**

Scholarships are offered to students who meet ONE of these criteria:

- **Immediate Family Members:** Siblings, children, or spouses of gun violence victims in Barbados (16-45 years of age)
- **Academic Advocates:** Students in criminology, criminal justice, forensic science, sociology, or violence prevention fields
- **Technical and Vocational Education Advocate:** Students enrolled in approved technical and vocational training programmes
- **Community Members:** Barbadian citizens or legal residents (5+ years) committed to positive change



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HOW TO APPLY



STEP 1: Complete the Online Application

Visit <https://www.tyresecaesar.foundation> to access and complete the application form. You'll provide basic personal information, educational background, and confirm your eligibility.



STEP 2: Prepare Your Personal Statement

Write a typed personal statement (500-750 words) responding to ONE of the following prompts:

Option A - Personal Impact:

- Describe how gun violence has impacted your life, your family, or your community. Explain how this scholarship will support your educational journey and how you plan to honor the memory of those lost to violence through your future career and community involvement.

Option B - Professional Commitment:

- Explain your commitment to the field of violence prevention, criminal justice, or community healing. Describe your specific career goals and how your studies will contribute to creating safer communities in Barbados. Include examples of how you have already demonstrated this commitment.

Option C - Community Vision:

- Tyrese Caesar Foundation believes in transforming pain into purpose. Describe your vision for reducing violence in Barbadian communities and the role you want to play in creating positive change. Explain how this scholarship will help you achieve that vision.

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STEP 3: Gather Required Documents



Prepare the following documents as PDF files:

- Personal statement (500-750 words, typed)
- Proof of enrollment or acceptance (letter, transcript, or acceptance letter)
- One letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, community leader, or employer
- Documentation verifying relationship to gun violence victim (if applicable)
- Optional: Resume or list of community service/volunteer work

STEP 4: Submit Your Application



- Upload all required documents as PDF files through our online portal at <https://www.tyresecaesar.foundation>.
- Submit by 11:59 PM on the deadline date.
- *Applications without complete documentation will not be considered.*

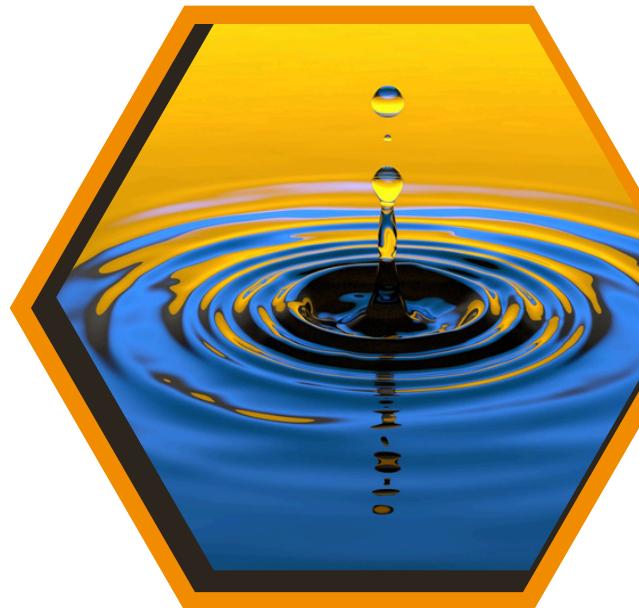


SELECTION PROCESS

Applications are carefully reviewed by the H.O.P.E Scholarship Selection Committee, comprised of Foundation board members and H.O.P.E Donor Family members. The committee evaluates applications based on:

- Academic commitment and performance
- Personal statement quality and authenticity
- Demonstrated commitment to community healing and violence prevention
- Potential for positive community impact
- Letters of recommendation

SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS & SUPPORT



As a H.O.P.E Scholar, you receive more than just financial support. You become part of a community dedicated to healing, education, and positive change:

- **💰 Financial Support:** Scholarship funds to help cover tuition, fees, books, and educational expenses
- **👤 Mentorship Opportunities:** Connect with H.O.P.E Donors and professionals in your field of study
- **🤝 Community Network:** Join a family of scholars, donors, and advocates committed to reducing violence
- **📅 Educational Events:** Attend three annual gatherings with H.O.P.E Donor Family for networking and professional development
- **🎯 Career Development:** Access guidance and resources to help you achieve your educational and professional goals

SCHOLAR RESPONSIBILITIES

To maintain your H.O.P.E Scholarship, you are expected to:

- ✓ Maintain full-time enrollment status at your approved institution
- ✓ Meet and maintain academic standards as determined by the Foundation
- ✓ Participate in H.O.P.E community events when possible
- ✓ Provide progress updates to the Foundation as requested
- ✓ Demonstrate commitment to your educational goals and community impact



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: How much is the scholarship award?

A: Scholarship amounts vary based on available funding from our H.O.P.E. Donor Family and individual student needs. Award amounts are determined by the Selection Committee.

Q: Can I apply if I'm already enrolled in college?

A: Yes! The scholarship is available to both incoming and current full-time students at accredited institutions.

Q: Is the scholarship renewable?

A: Scholarship renewal is possible based on maintaining academic standards, continued full-time enrollment, and available funding. Recipients must reapply annually.

Q: What if I'm pursuing vocational training instead of a university degree?

A: We support students in approved vocational training programmes! Your course must receive Foundation approval, and you must be enrolled full-time.

Q: What does 'immediate family member' include?

A: Immediate family members include siblings, children, or spouses of gun violence victims in Barbados. Documentation verifying this relationship is required with your application.

Q: Can I apply for other scholarships while receiving the H.O.P.E. Scholarship?

A: Yes! We encourage you to pursue all available funding sources to support your education.

APPLY TODAY!



Scan the QR code to access the H.O.P. E. Application Form



IMPORTANT DATES

Application Deadline: Check our website for current year deadline

Selection Notification: Applicants will be notified within 6-8 weeks of deadline

H.O.P.E 2026 Scholarship Reception: Thursday, August 14th, 2026 at 5:30 PM

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