

## **Eboni Eyes “Pursuit of Purpose (POP)” Scholarship Information**

### **Objective:**

The Eboni Eyes Pursuit of Purpose (POP) Scholarship strives to recognize high school students that have overcome an obstacle in life and are using that obstacle as a catalyst for identifying and pursuing their purpose.

### **Background:**

Charleese Hasan is the founder and primary benefactor of Eboni Eyes. Her childhood experiences include poverty, homelessness, foster care, and teenage pregnancy. She used those experiences as the catalyst that has allowed her to have a noteworthy military career where she currently serves as an active duty US Navy Captain and Commanding officer. Additionally, she is a mentor, motivational speaker, and entrepreneur. The Eboni Eyes Scholarship Fund was established in 2003 as a way to pay-it-forward and do something to make a direct impact in her community. Eboni Eyes has since awarded over \$37,000 to St. Louis area students.

### **Award:**

At least two scholarships are awarded annually in the amount of \$500-\$1,000.

### **Criteria:**

- Academic achievement
- Financial need
- Community service
- Essay
- Complete Eboni Eyes Scholarship application

### **Scholarship Use:**

The scholarship is to be used for college related expenses, to include books, lab fees, or other miscellaneous expenses.

To request an application, send an email to: [csampa@ebonieyes.org](mailto:csampa@ebonieyes.org). Ensure “Ebony Eyes Scholarship” is in the subject line.