

**Organization For International Development, Inc.**

*"Helping Others To Help Themselves"*

# OID SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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# The OID Scholarship Fund

## **Statement of Purpose**

The Organization for International Development, Inc. (OID), a 501(c) (3) not-for-profit organization, has established a scholarship fund aimed at supporting the continuing education of graduating high school students who are enrolling in college or an accredited trade program.

The OID Scholarship Fund comprise scholarships established and aimed at honoring the continuing remarkable contributions of Dr. Roy and Jean Streete, co-founders of OID and in memory of dedicated and talented volunteers who have passed away. Additionally, in our commitment to fostering academic and personal excellence among students with limited financial resources, we encourage donors to contribute to our Scholarship Fund or establish new scholarships.

The Scholarship Fund will award six (6) scholarships in the amount of US \$500 (each) in April, annually. Three (3) scholarships will be dedicated to students in Jamaica, W.I., and three (3) scholarships to students in the United States. Except for the Clifton Boys Home in Jamaica, these scholarships will be granted to one (1) student enrolled in the following fields of study; nursing, agriculture, engineering, medicine, dentistry and technical skills. The student selected from the Clifton Boys Home will receive a scholarship throughout their educational journey while at the Boys Home.

The scholarship amount is set at US \$500 per awardee. For awardees in Jamaica, this amount will be paid directly to the institution of enrollment for disbursement to the student. In the case of awards for students residing in the United States, the funds will be disbursed directly to the student.

Investing in education is a powerful means to empower and uplift communities, and we are excited to contribute to the academic pursuits of deserving individuals. The Scholarship Fund is a testament to our commitment to fostering education and supporting the aspirations of students pursuing diverse fields of study.

We encourage eligible students to apply for these scholarships, and we appreciate your assistance in spreading the word about this opportunity.

# Funding and Management

The Founders' scholarship valued at US \$500 will be funded annually by Dr. Roy and Jean Streete and the five (5) memorial scholarships, each valued at US \$500, will be funded through the OID annual budget. In addition to these base scholarships, donations will be added to the scholarship fund per the specific requests of donor(s). This collective support will enable us to expand the reach and impact of the Scholarship Fund.

Applicants selected for the six (6) established scholarships, including those receiving scholarship funds from new donors, will not be subjected to additional criteria beyond the standard application process. We believe in maintaining a fair and accessible approach to awarding scholarships, and the disbursement of additional funds will be handled seamlessly. The OID Scholarship Committee will manage the Scholarship Fund with direct oversight by the OID Finance Committee with additional guidance and oversight by the OID Board of Directors. This collaborative effort ensures responsible financial management and strategic allocation of resources to benefit deserving recipients.

## The Scholarships

### Founders' Scholarship:

Name	Specialty	Institution/Country	Value (USD)
Roy Streete, DDS, MPH and Jean Streete, RDH	Dentist/Dental Hygienist	USA	\$500

### Memorial Scholarships:

Name	Specialty	Institution/Country	Value (USD)
Vecas Gray	Engineering/Technical	University of Technology (UTECH)/Jamaica	\$500
Bruce Henry, M.D.	Pre-Med	College/USA	\$500
Marcia Jones, DNP N.P.CNM	Nursing	Bronx Community College/USA	\$500
Denise McLaughlin	Agriculture	College of Agriculture, Science and Education (CASE)/Jamaica	\$500
Paul Watkins, D.D.S.	General	Clifton Boys Home/Jamaica	\$500

## Donor Specified Scholarships:

Name	Specialty	Institution/Country	Value (USD)
Dr. Andrea Barrett	Dental Hygienist	Northern Caribbean University (NCU)/Jamaica	
Dr. Marcia Greene	Dental Student	University of Technology (UTECH)/Jamaica	\$500.00

## Founders' Scholarship:



### Dr. Roy and Jean Streete



Jean and Roy Streete epitomize foundation, charity, community and benevolence and in 1990, along with a group of like minded Jamaicans, started Organization for International Development (OID).

The establishment of OID has brought a wide variety of healthcare professions and support personnel together, all with the aim of volunteering their time and other resources to serve the most needy of our society. To date OID has completed over 60 medical missions, spanning the Caribbean and as far as Africa.

From an early age Jean Streete was very active in her community, providing mentorship and caring for the sick and elderly and is a trained teacher and a dental hygienist. Roy Streete is a dentist by profession and holds a Doctor of Dental Surgery degree.

Needless to say, this couple has poured countless time, effort and resources into the establishment and sustenance of OID. Jean has chaired the Sponsorship and Fundraising Committee and remain steadfast in her resolve to ensure that OID fulfill its mission of 'Helping Others To Help Themselves' and Roy Streete, sits at the helm in the position of Chairman.

In honor of this visionary couple, their drive and passion for volunteerism and helping the underserved, we are honored to establish the Founders' Scholarship for studies in dentistry/dental hygiene.

## Memorial Scholarships:

### Vecas Adolphus Gray (1954 – 2017)



Vecas Adolphus Gray lived his life with benevolence, excellence, passion, and purpose. He was an Electrical Engineer at Bankers Trust, Deutsche Bank, BALA/CSI, and JP Morgan Chase.

Vecas, an OID member for over 25 years, led educational programs at the schools visited by OID. Additionally, he organized science fairs in schools to help students develop various skills such as critical thinking, problem solving, time management, and communication by applying the principles of the scientific methods. He brought his love for science and computers to classrooms in Jamaica. He refurbished computers and donated them to libraries in schools across the island.

In recognition and appreciation of Vecas' contribution to OID and the field of education, especially Science and Engineering, we are honored to establish this scholarship.

### Dr. Marcia Jones, DNP, FNP, CNM (1959 – 2019)



Dr. Marcia Jones, DNP, FNP, CNM, was a nurse midwife for over 30 years and a professor for over 25 years at Columbia University and Bronx Community College.

Dr. Jones contributed over twenty years as a dedicated and hardworking member of our organization, contributing her time, talent and energy to the success of OID. Dr. Jones served as treasurer, volunteer extraordinaire and the organizer of many of OID's medical missions.

In recognition and appreciation of Dr. Jones' exemplary service, we are honored to establish this scholarship for studies in Nursing, to honor her legacy as a Clinician, a Professor and for her unwavering support of OID.



## **Denise McLaughlin (1971 – 2021)**



Denise McLaughlin was a dedicated and passionate volunteer and an aspiring entrepreneur. She was an avid supporter of the agriculture sector and was very firm in her belief and pursuit to help people to have access to high quality, nutritious foods.

Her compassion and commitment to making a positive impact were exemplified during an OID mission to South Africa in 2019. While in Johannesburg, Denise discovered that a local school was facing challenges in funding its soccer team. Unfazed by the distance and cultural differences, Denise took it upon herself to address this need. Through her tireless local fundraising efforts, she successfully secured the necessary resources to ensure the soccer team was fully equipped with new uniforms and all the gear they required to compete.

We salute and recognize Denise for her love and compassion and for her unwavering support of Agriculture. We are honored to establish this scholarship in her memory.



## **Dr. Bruce Maurice Henry, M.D. (1961 – 2022)**



Dr. Bruce Maurice Henry was a distinguished pediatric emergency room physician, serving several hospitals in the USA and most recently Montefiore Nyack Hospital.

Beyond his role as a phenomenal physician, Dr. Henry further impacted his community by mentoring aspiring students on their journey to becoming doctors.

In addition to dedication to medical practice, Dr. Henry generously volunteered countless hours with OID for over 10 years participating in various medical missions. His commitment to healthcare in underserved communities showcased his compassionate nature and commitment to making a positive difference in the world.

In recognition of Dr. Henry's dedication to medicine and helping others, we are honored to establish this scholarship geared towards studies in Pre-med, in his memory.



## **Paul E. Watkins, D.D.S (1957 – 2022)**



Dr. Paul Watkins, dedicated 35 years of his professional life to the practice of Dentistry and Orthodontics.

He holds a special place as one of the founding members of OID. When Dr. Roy Streete hosted the first meeting in 1990 to introduce the concept of OID to the Consular General of Jamaica, Dr. Watkins was an eager and active participant.

His unwavering dedication to OID's mission exemplifies the profound impact that individuals can have when driven by a genuine commitment to improving global healthcare. Dr. Paul Watkins's contributions will be remembered for the dental care he provided and the inspiration he brought to OID's collaborative efforts.

In recognition and appreciation of Dr. Watkins' love for humanity, we establish this memorial scholarship in his honor for a student and resident of Clifton Boys Home in Westmoreland, Jamaica.



## **Eligibility Requirements**

### **Proof of Enrollment:**

All applicants must present proof of enrollment in college or an accredited trade/vocational program. However, proof of enrollment requirement is waived for any applicant from the Clifton Boys Home in Jamaica.

### **Academic Performance:**

Each applicant must be graduating [from high school] with a minimum 'B' average (or equivalent).

### **Essay Requirement:**

The applicant must submit an essay of 250 – 300 words on an essay topic chosen by the OID Scholarship Committee.

### **Application Form and Recommendations:**

The applicant must complete the application form and submit it with two (2) letters of recommendation. One recommendation must be from a teacher at their current or most recent high school and one from a community organization such as a church, volunteer program, or other community program in which they participate.

### **Picture ID:**

Each Application must include a current and valid picture ID of the applicant.

### **Submission Deadline:**

Each Application must be submitted by the deadline to be determined.

It is imperative to note that only fully completed applications, accompanied by all required supporting documentation, will be considered for the scholarships. These criteria ensure that applicants meet specific academic standards, contribute thoughtfully through the essay, and receive recommendations from both educational and community perspectives. OID is dedicated to fostering the educational journeys of deserving individuals, and adherence to these guidelines is crucial for a fair and comprehensive selection process.



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## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

OID Scholarship Fund recognizes and encourages academic achievement, volunteer service, excellent character, and productive citizenship. This scholarship is awarded to assist individual(s) who can benefit from a higher education in the field of study designated by the scholarship.

### Disbursement of funds:

- ◆ For awardees enrolled in institutions in Jamaica, the scholarship payment will be made directly to the educational institution in which the awardee is enrolled.
- ◆ For awardees enrolled in institutions in the United States, the scholarship payment will be disbursed directly to the awardee.

Completed applications, along with required documentation, should be emailed to

[oidscholarshipprogram@gmail.com](mailto:oidscholarshipprogram@gmail.com)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Educational Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution you plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Course of study: \_\_\_\_\_

Essay: Submit with a minimum of 250 and a maximum of 300 words

Essay topic: "Describe one of your most meaningful achievements and one challenge and how they influence your field of study and future goals."

By submitting this application, I authorize \_\_\_\_\_ (educational institution/School) to make available to the Organization for International Development (OID) Scholarship Committee information concerning my academic record, including, but not limited to, transcript and GPA. The decision of the OID Scholarship Committee is final and not subject to appeal.

Applicant's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Applicant's Permission and Waiver**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ [Applicant's Full Name], understand that by signing below:

**Purpose of Release:**

I acknowledge that the purpose of this release is to allow the OID Scholarship Committee to consider my application for the scholarship award.

**Use of Academic Information:**

I give permission for my grade point average (GPA), transcripts, individual course grades, and individual assignment grades to be used and discussed as part of the application for the OID scholarship program.

**Publicizing Information:**

I grant permission for the OID scholarship committee to use my biographical information to publicize my nomination and/or receipt of this scholarship, including using my picture. I also consent to have a copy of my application and all supporting materials retained indefinitely by the OID Scholarship Committee.

**Release of Information:**

I hereby give permission to \_\_\_\_\_ [Applicant's Current Institution] to release information to the OID Scholarship Committee, including records about academic grades and contextual information for interpreting these grades. This information may be given in either verbal or written form.

**Endorsement by Current Institution:**

I grant permission for \_\_\_\_\_ [Applicant's Current Institution] to endorse my application.

I hereby certify that all the information provided in my application, including details of activities, achievements, involvements, and essay, are entirely my own work. I affirm that the information is accurate and truthful to the best of my knowledge.

**I acknowledge and understand the following:**

- ⇒ I have the right to receive a copy of any written information upon request.
- ⇒ This consent remains in effect until the end of the current academic year or until revoked by me in writing.

By signing below, I \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Applicant)  
release OID, its agents, or any person or entity providing the information described in this document from all claims, damages, losses, costs, or liability of any nature arising out of the provision of such information.

Applicant's signature \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Full Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Parent/Guardian signature IF UNDER 18 \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Parent/Guardian IF UNDER 18 Full Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Committee Members 2024**

- ◆ **Ms. Sharon Wynter, Chair Person**
- ◆ **Dr. Virgena Bernard**
- ◆ **Dr. Sharon Distant-Johnson**
- ◆ **Ms. Angela King**
- ◆ **Dr. Michelle Malcolm-James**
- ◆ **Ms. Jean Streete**
- ◆ **Dr. Roy Streete**

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