

Dear Lion:

The MD19 Youth Exchange Foundation is seeking qualified youth who would like to travel to another country through the Lions Youth Exchange Program. To encourage participation, the Foundation offers a scholarship to assist in paying expenses. The deadline for submission of an application is December 31st. Please bring this to the attention of all your club members and any members of your community who you believe may have an interest.

Sincerely,

Lauren Nowack , MD19 Youth Exchange Foundation President

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Youth Exchange Scholarship Rules

Applicant must do all of the following:

1. Meet all the age requirements for an exchange.
 - a. See website <https://www.md19lionsyouthexchange.org/> for more information
2. Live in MD19
3. Be sponsored by a Lions Club within MD19
4. A scholarship will not pay the full cost. Cost is usually limited to transportation and insurance for the trip, plus money for incidentals and souvenirs. A committee of the MD19 Youth Exchange Foundation will set the exact amount of a scholarship based on need and other criteria. Remaining program costs may be paid by the sponsoring Lions club, by participating, the participant's family, or a combination of these sources.
5. Complete the Following: Due by December 31st of year before travel.
 - a. MD19 Youth Exchange Travel Application
 - b. Two Separate photos
 - i. A photo of yourself
 - ii. Your family
 - c. Two letters of references from persons other than family members
 - d. A letter of Introduction to a potential host family, written by yourself
 - e. Copy of your Passport
6. Submit the MD19 youth Exchange Foundation Scholarship Application, awards are valid for travel in the year awarded.
 - a. Applications are due on January 1st of the year intended for travel
7. The family of a youth who receives a scholarship will be urged to host a youth at a future date, preferably within 2 years. A host family need not have membership in a Lions Club.
8. A scholarship recipient must make an oral presentation upon return
 - a. At the sponsoring Lions Club
 - b. Possibly at a Zone or District Meeting
9. A Scholarship Committee, appointed by the MD19 Youth Exchange Foundation President, shall review all applications, select recipients and set the amount of each award. Committee review may need supplemental financial information or need to meet with the applicant and family.
10. Scholarship recipients and amounts shall be announced by January 31st of the travel year. All decisions are final.

**Lions Youth Exchange Foundation of MD19
Scholarship Application**

Applicants Name:

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name

Address:

Street	City	State	Zip Code	Country

Phone Number:

Country Code	Area Code	Number

Email:

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Date of Birth:

Day	Month	Year

School/Institution Presently Attending:

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Office or Honors Received:

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Past/Present Activities:

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Special Interest of Applicant (Museums, sports, historical visites, etc.)

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Financial Resources

Student's Gross Annual Income:

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Parent's Gross Annual Income:

\$

Other Income (Specify):

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TOTAL: (Students + Parents + Other Incomes=)

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Number of Family at Home:

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Number of Children Attending College:

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Signature of Student Applicant

Date:

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Signature of Parent / Guardian

Date:

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Sponsoring Lions Club Certification

I certify that _____ Lions Club approves the above application and has verified the financial aid needed by the applicant for the Youth Exchange Program of MD19.

Signature of Club President:

Date:

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Signature of Zone Chairman/ District Governor

Date:

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Signature of MD19 YEP District Chairman

Date:

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Signature of MD19 YEP President

Date:

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Email Completed Application to the following emails:
MD19 YEP Foundation President Lauren Nowack at NowackLauren@gmail.com
and Foundation Treasurer Tammy Allan at : MD19YEP@gmail.com