# **The West Indian Foundation Inc.**

Educating Today for a Better Tomorrow



# Keith L. Carr, Sr. Technical & Vocational Scholarship (\$1,000)

### Background

# Keith L Carr, Sr., OM (December 24, 1930-January 7, 2008)

Born in Kingston, Jamaica, Mr. Carr joined the West Indian Social Club of Hartford, Inc. in 1963 and served in many capacities including Chairman of Publicity and Public Relations, Planning and Development Committee, Assistant Manager of Operations, Secretary for thirteen(13) years and President for three(3)years. An avid supporter of culture and the arts, he also served as Chairman of the West Indian Independence Celebration Committee. Mr. Carr served as Secretary, Vice President and President of the West Indian Foundation, Inc. from 1980 to 1994 and as Executive Director from 1985 to 2005, overseeing the daily activities of the Foundation in collaboration with the Board of Directors. These activities include fundraising and fiscal management of the organization. In 2005, after 40 years of public service, Mr. Carr retired as the Executive Director of the West Indian Foundation. Mr. Carr committed his life to building bridges and transforming the Greater Hartford community working with various community and civic organizations until his death in 2008.

#### **Scholarship Focus**

The Keith L. Carr, Sr. Technical & Vocational Scholarship will be awarded to a deserving high school graduate who will pursue continued studies in a technical or vocational trade (e.g. electrical installation and maintenance, advanced manufacturing, computer tech, auto mechanics, hvac technology, welding or plumbing, culinary arts).

#### **Eligibility Requirements**

- Applicant must have graduated from an accredited high school in Connecticut or obtained a GED certificate.
- Applicant must be applying to and/or accepted to an accredited technical or vocational school.

## **Application Requirements**

A complete application packet must include the following:

- 1. One (1) letter of recommendation: one letter written by applicant's current teacher, employer, community person someone who can speak to the applicant's vocational passion.
- 2. A current transcript from your graduating high school(s) or a GED certificate.
- 3. A 300-word (minimum of 250-word) essay responding to the statement, "Discuss how your interest in vocational studies developed and describe your experience in the field."
- 4. A resume that details your community service experiences, employment, and extra-curricular activities.

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Please PRINT or TYPE responses in blue or black ink.			
I. STUDENT PROFILE			
Name			
High School			
Home Address			
City/Town & Zip Code			
Phone Number	one Number Email Address		5
II. TECHNICAL SCHOOL PLANS Please list and rank the institution(s) that you have applied to:			
Technical/Vocational School	Location	Accepted (Y/N)	Intended Focus Area
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I attest that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.			
Signature of Applicant Date			
Application must be submitted by <b>March 1st</b> to <u>Scholarship@westindianfoundation.org</u> to be considered. The Keith L. Carr, Sr. Technical & Vocational Scholarship Committee reserves the right to reject an application due to false information, incomplete documentation and/or the availability of funds.			
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