



## **BETTY BELL SCHOLARSHIP**

June 9, 2020

Families First of Palm Beach County is currently accepting applications for the Betty Bell Scholarship. This scholarship is awarded to an individual who is currently enrolled in a Masters' of Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy or Counseling program in an accredited university in Florida. The individual must have a history of and currently maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0 and have intentions of seeking employment in Palm Beach County. The Board of Directors will be awarding this scholarship to a student who will be seeking a career in the racial justice arena. The scholarship winner is selected by the Board of Directors and will be given the scholarship at the Annual Children's Day Luncheon which will be held on October 2<sup>nd</sup> of this year. Applications must be received by Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, by 5 p.m.

Please do not forget to get a clearance from the Sheriff's office as instructed on the application.

Please submit applications by mail to:

Betty Bell Scholarship  
Attention: Raul Mercader, President  
Families First of Palm Beach County  
3333 Forest Hill Blvd.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
West Palm Beach, FL 33406

Or by Email to: [jswindler@familiesfirstpbc.org](mailto:jswindler@familiesfirstpbc.org)

You can also access the application on the Families First of Palm Beach County web site at [www.familiesfirstpbc.org](http://www.familiesfirstpbc.org)



## BETTY BELL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

3333 Forest Hill Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL 33406  
(561) 721-2887 www.FamiliesFirstpbc.org

### Instructions:

- Please type or print clearly the following information. Turn in completed application, with all applicable signatures. If this form is incomplete, inaccurate, or not signed, it will not be considered.

### Personal Information:

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

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### Academic Information:

College: \_\_\_\_\_ Semester for which application is being made (Term and Year): \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Hours Earned to Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Intended Major: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit hours to be taken during semester for which scholarship is awarded: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been convicted of, or plead guilty, adjudication withheld, *nolle prosequi* or *nolo contendere* to a crime?  Yes  No

Are you currently awaiting trial, sentencing or other disposition of a criminal charge?  Yes  No

If the answer to either question is yes, please explain (state the date, type of crime, place of occurrence, disposition): \_\_\_\_\_

**(Please go to the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office and ask for a letter of clearance to be submitted with the application)**

### Authorization Information:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Initial) If awarded a scholarship, I understand that I must meet the scholarship  
criteria and Standards of Academic Progress for the Betty Bell Scholarship.

I certify that the statements herein are true to the best of my knowledge and grant my permission for the information contained herein to be shared with the scholarship selection committee.

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

### Families First of Palm Beach County Use Only:

Chief Executive Officer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarship Awarded: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

1- List the secondary school from which you graduated and the degree you achieved.

School	Location	Dates

2- List college and high school activities (student government, sports, publications, school-sponsored community service programs, student-faculty committees, arts, music, etc.). List in descending order of significance. You will have space for eight college and four high school activities.

College Activity	Dates	Offices

High School Activity	Dates	Offices

3- List public service and community activities (racial justice services/activities, homeless services, children and family elder affairs, substance abuse /recovery, advocacy activities, work with religious organizations, etc.). Do not repeat items listed previously. List in descending order of significance. You will have space to list six.

Activity	Roles	Dates	# of Weeks Active

4- List part-time and full-time jobs and internships since high school graduation.

Type of Work	Employer	Dates	Average # of Hours/Week

5- List awards, scholarships, publications or special recognitions you have received. List in descending order of significance.

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6- Describe the problem or needs of society with a focus on racial justice you want to address when you receive your Masters

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7- What are the three most significant courses you have taken in racial justice and race relations in preparation for your career? Briefly explain why these courses were most significant

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8- What do you hope to do in the field of racial justice and what position do you hope to have upon completing your graduate studies? *Limit 900 characters including spaces*

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9- What do you hope to accomplish in your position and your concentration area in race relations in the next five-seven years later?  
*Limit 900 characters including spaces*

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10- What additional personal information do you wish to share with the Families First Scholarship Committee  
Limit 2000 characters including spaces

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11- Please attach a letter of recommendation from a professor, mentor or current employer