

APPLICATIONS

The RWSMSF Application Package is available via
www.rwsmsf.org.

DEADLINE

Submit completed RWSMSF Application Package via:

- Email to info@rwsmsf.org by May 1st; or,
- Postal mail postmarked by May 1st to:

Rudolph W. Snowden Memorial
Scholarship Fund, Inc.
P.O. Box 10607
Silver Spring, MD 20914

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DONATIONS

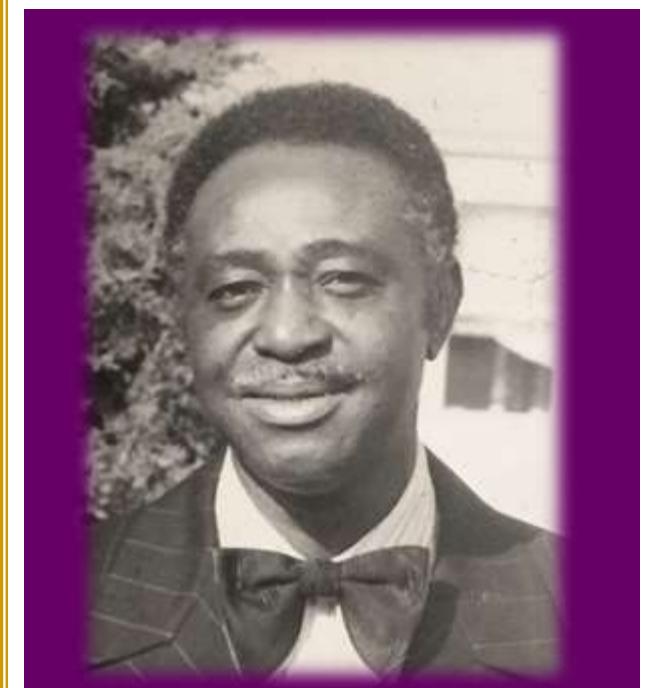
RWSMSF accepts charitable donation, including from businesses and individuals, as well as other community uplift organizations and foundations.

- Cash App – RWSMSF or RWSnowden
- Zelle – info@rwsmsf.org
- Checks or money orders to the mailing address

RWSMSF is an authorized nonprofit in the State of Maryland and an IRS-approved section 501(c)(3) charitable organization eligible to receive tax-deductible contributions under Tax Identification No. 52-1102842.



Helping MCPS African-American male high school seniors start their HBCU journey.



The
**RUDOLPH W.
SNOWDEN
MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP
FUND, INC.**

Established in 1978 by the Mu Nu Chapter
(Montgomery County, Maryland),
an unincorporated association of the
OMEGA PSI PHI Fraternity, Inc.

HISTORY

The *Rudolph W. Snowden Memorial Scholarship, Fund, Inc.* (RWSMSF) is named in honor of Rudolph W. Snowden. Mr. Snowden was a teacher and principal, and those who studied under him or professionally collaborated with him knew and appreciated his comprehensive grasp of the academic field, and also the exacting standards that he brought to the teaching and learning process.

Mr. Snowden was also a well-regarded member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. He was the principal founder, a charter member and first basileus of the Mu Nu Chapter (Montgomery County, Maryland), an unincorporated association of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.

PURPOSE

RWSMSF is an important asset to Montgomery County, Maryland. The county is confronted with the challenge to educate more and more high school students for the information age. Nowhere is this need more acute than in the African American community.

Our country continues to face an educational crisis of major proportions. Fewer and fewer young people are choosing advanced studies in major areas of study and the result is a critical shortage of highly-trained people to meet the demands of research, teaching and allied areas where a knowledge of advanced technology is essential. The problem is even more pronounced among African American male students. The goal is to

endow RWSMSF at a level of \$500,000. This amount will allow for the selection of talented high school students, and to assure them access to higher education regardless of their financial circumstances.

OBJECTIVES

The two main objectives of RWSMSF are:

- to increase the number of African American males attending colleges and universities; and,
- to help preserve Historically Black Colleges & Universities (HBCUs).

SCHOLARSHIPS

RWSMSF has awarded more than \$150,000 in scholarships to graduates of Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) High Schools in Maryland since its inception in 1978. The RWSMSF Board of Directors annually considers scholarship applicants from among qualifying and deserving students where final scholarship awards are reserved for selectees who verify their enrollment with documentation from their chosen HBCU. One or more annual scholarship awards may be issued ranging from \$1,000 to \$5,000 each. Awardee recipients may apply their scholarships toward tuition, fees or other expenses.

ELIGIBILITY

In keeping with the primary purpose and objectives of RWSMSF, eligible applicants are considered from those who are/have:

- African American male, MCPS High School graduating seniors;

- Seeking a bachelor's degree from an HBCU; **and**,
- A 3.0 or better GPA on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent.

APPLY

Applicants must submit an *RWSMSF Application Package*, which is available on www.rwsmsf.org, either: 1.) via *email* to info@rwsmsf.org by May 1st; or, 2.) by *postal mail* postmarked by May 1st. The following checklist is provided to assist applicants with preparing a complete submission. Submissions must include:

- A completed, signed and dated *RWSMSF Application Package* that includes both the *Scholarship Application* and the *Photo Release*;
- A quality color photograph – head and shoulders shot – in at least a dress shirt and tie, with an optional suit jacket or sport coat;
- An official transcript;
- A copy of ACT and/or SAT score;
- At least two (2) academic recommendations on school letterhead, signed and dated with the school official's title and contact information included (e.g., principal, teacher, coach, counselor);
- At least one (1) community recommendation, signed and dated, with the community official's position and contact information included (e.g., pastor, job supervisor, mentor); and,
- A typed, signed and dated narrative – not more than two (2) pages in length, double-spaced, 1-inch margins – discussing personal, educational and professional aspirations and life goals that demonstrates written communication skills.