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**GINNY MARTINEZ SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

The Martinez Scholarship was created to honor Ginny Martinez for her many contributions toward the successes of the Republican Party of Louisiana, the Louisiana Federation of Republican Women (LFRW), the Republican National Committee (RNC), and the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW). Ginny encouraged women to become and stay actively involved in politics.

For many years she served as Louisiana's Republican National Committeewoman. Ginny was an LFRW unit club president in addition to holding many other positions in the LFRW. As a Regional Vice President, she founded at least two unit clubs. Ginny was an exceptional role model, devoted wife, mother, grandmother, daughter and friend until her death in 1992.

The purpose of the Martinez Scholarship is to encourage and aid female college students to reach their highest potential by providing financial assistance to aid them in furthering their education. The $1500.00 scholarship can be used to help defray expenses such as housing, books, transportation, tuition or special assistance. The scholarship will be awarded biannually during the year of the LFRW state convention.

The Martinez Scholarship Committee will select a recipient based on information provided by the applicant and, if requested, personal interviews. The applicant's narrative statement of interest in the Martinez Scholarship, her future plans, and a demonstrated financial need, will be of paramount interest in the selection process. Students pursuing degrees in Government, Political Science, Pre-Law, Law and media related subjects will receive top priority in consideration.

Being chosen as a recipient of a Martinez Scholarship does not render one ineligible to be a recipient at a later date. Applicants not chosen as recipients at a particular time are eligible and encouraged to reapply.

 **Applications must be emailed or postmarked no later than August 31, 2024.** The name of the recipient will be announced no later than September 23, 2024. All applicants will be notified in writing when their application has been received and all will be notified in writing when selection is made.

**APPLICANTS MUST:**

1. Be a biological female at least 18 years old by January 1 of the year in which they are selected.
2. Be currently enrolled in college
3. Be a legal resident of the state of Louisiana.
4. Be a Louisiana registered Republican voter.
5. Be sponsored by an LFRW club that is in good standing; said club to be active in either the applicant's home parish or her college parish. If no LFRW club is chartered in either parish, a club nearest to the applicant’s address may be the sponsoring club.
6. Be willing to complete the application form and be interviewed if requested.
7. Be willing to personally present a report to the LFRW and/or any of its clubs on her experiences during the year of her scholarship.

Only applicants submitting completed applications to the chairman by the deadline listed will be considered.

Clubs may donate to the Ginny Martinez Scholarship fund at any time during the year by mailing a check for the **“Ginny Martinez Scholarship” to the LFRW Treasurer, Debbie Albert, 5000 West Esplanade, Suite A, Box 139, Metairie, LA. 70006.** Donations to the Ginny Martinez Scholarship fund count toward LFRW awards. Questions concerning the application process should be submitted to:

 **GINNY MARTINEZ SCHOLARSHIP**

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