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## JUSTICE LEAGUE OF GREATER LANSING MICHIGAN REPARATIONS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2026-2027

The Justice League of Greater Lansing Michigan (JLGLM) was established in the Greater Lansing Area in 2021. The JLGLM exists to repair the damage caused by the historical harms of slavery and its aftermath. We are striving to become the Beloved Community by making the connection between faith and racial justice in the form of reparations. The Reparations Project provides 10 qualifying individuals, (which includes high school seniors, interim students, and trade school) applicants each with a \$2,500 scholarship to use toward a college, university, or a vocational school of their choice.

### TO APPLY

#### Submit:

- Completed Application
- Unofficial High School Transcript
- 500-word Essay

#### When:

- February 28-April 17, 2026

#### Where:

- Submit Online, [www.JusticeLeagueGLM.org](http://www.JusticeLeagueGLM.org)
- Email to [info@justiceleagueglm.org](mailto:info@justiceleagueglm.org)
- Mail to Justice League of Greater Lansing Michigan  
Attn: JLGLM College Scholarship Program  
P. O. Box 12105, Lansing, Michigan 48901

### Requirements

#### Are You Eligible

- Scholarships benefit the descendants of enslaved Africans in the Greater Lansing Area.
- Must be a graduating high school senior in 2026 or completed high school in a previous year (or GED).
- Must reside in Ingham, Clinton, or Eaton counties.
- Must be planning to attend and accepted to an accredited college, university, or vocational school for the school year of 2026-2027.

#### Documents Needed:



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1. Completed application.
2. Unofficial high school transcript.
3. 500-word essay.\*
  - o Essay title: Select one of the following subjects for your essay title.
    - **The Racial Wealth Gap in America**
      - **The Racial Wealth Gap can be defined as the disparity in wealth holdings between different racial and ethnic groups.**
        - o How are you economically and socially impacted by the racial wealth gap?
        - o Do you think the racial wealth gap can be closed in your lifetime?
    - **Generational Wealth**
      - **Generational wealth refers to the accumulation and passing down of financial assets, such as cash, investments, real estate, and businesses, from one generation to the next, providing future generations with a financial “head start”.**
        - o According to this definition, do you think your family has adequate generational wealth? Why or why not?
        - o How will your continued education contribute to changing the dynamics of generational wealth in your family?

*\*Question: Can Artificial Intelligence (AI) be used to write essays?*

*Answer: We recognize AI as a tool for learning. As such, please use the following guidance to write your essay. ChatGPT or other AI Support may be used to generate ideas, learn terminology, and stimulate thinking. It should **not** be used to think for you or write your essays.*

Important Dates:

- Submission Dates
  - o February 28 – April 17, 2026
- Recipients Notified
  - o May 26, 2026



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Graduation High School:

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College, university, or vocational school attending after graduation:

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Applicant's signature\* \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

\* By signing this application, you are stating that you are the author of the essay submitted and the material is not plagiarized in any manner. You are also giving the Justice League of Greater Lansing Michigan permission to use your name and/or photograph in marketing, media, and promotional materials, as well as the ability to publish your essay. Signature may be verified upon winning.

If the student is under 18 years of age, the parent/guardian will need to sign giving JLGLM permission to use the student's name and/or photograph in marketing, media and promotional materials. Signature may be verified upon winning.

Parent/Guardian signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_



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