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# HENRY AND MINNIE HARDEN ENDOWED HONORS SCHOLARSHIP

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## Application

Deadline: April 1st

**The Henry and Minnie Harden Endowed Honors Scholarship** honors EMU alumna Sherri Jordan’s (‘83) father, Henry Harden, and mother, Minnie Harden, for their entrepreneurial spirit and work within the community. Mr. and Mrs. Harden were self-made business and community leaders. Born in Mississippi in 1931, Mr. Harden moved to Flint, MI, after high school. Over the years, Mr. Harden worked on the assembly line at General Motors while also opening Harden’s Grocery with his wife, Minnie Harden, in 1967. Harden’s Grocery remained in business for 44 years, hosting community picnics, sponsoring local athletic teams, and providing credit to community members, as needed. This scholarship remembers and honors Henry and Minnie Harden for their contributions to the community. One award of **\$500** is given annually, distributed across the fall and winter semesters.

### Eligibility

Candidates for this scholarship must:

- Be a member of The Honors College and/or a member of EMU Alpha Kappa Alpha (AKA) Sorority
- Have a home address in either Michigan or New Jersey
- Have a GPA of 3.75+ at the time of application
- Demonstrate financial need, as determined by the Office of Financial Aid
- Demonstrate a record of community service

[Note: Applicant’s financial need will be verified by the Office of Financial Aid.]

### Student Information

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Student EID:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Emich Email:** \_\_\_\_\_@emich.edu **Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Major(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Minor(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Credit Hours Completed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **EMU GPA:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Eligibility Questions

1. Are you a resident of either Michigan or New Jersey?  
 Yes       No
2. Did you grow up or attend high school in either Detroit or Flint?  
 Yes       No
3. Are you a first-generation college student (defined as growing up in a household where no parent or guardian had a 4-year college degree)?  
 Yes       No
4. Are you a member of The Honors College?  
 Yes       No
5. Are you a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority?  
 Yes       No
6. Do you have financial need, as designated by the Office of Financial Aid?  
 Yes       No

## Essay Question

On a separate piece of paper, write an essay that describes your community service, how you plan to serve others in your community in the future, and any financial and/or personal challenges you have faced.



**Submit the application form and your essay as a single PDF to  
The Honors College at [EMUHonors@emich.edu](mailto:EMUHonors@emich.edu).  
Do not submit a Google document.**