



HISTORY OF LANCELOT H. OWENS SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION, INC.

The Lancelot H. Owens Scholarship Foundation (LHOSF), a public not-for-profit organization, was established in 1992 as a vehicle to perpetuate the memory of Lancelot H. Owens, his achievements and commitment to supporting community, civic and social issues. Principally targeting minority high school students, the foundation provides educational and leadership development opportunities to youth with strong, capable and promising futures but who have limited financial resources to further their expressed field of educational development at the college level.

LHOSF assist young people in identifying and ultimately realizing their fullest potential as well-educated, productive and active contributors in the process of purposeful social and community change. In addition to supporting youth initiatives, LHOSF also serves as an advocate for the educational and developmental needs of children, particularly those with the greatest need. The Foundation strives to ensure that the attributes of Lancelot H. Owens' commitment to community, equal justice and personal development, (exemplified during his service with the East Orange, NJ Police Department) be instilled and carried forth in the personal, institutional, community and professional lives of these young people as they assume leadership roles throughout society.

LHOSF PROGRAMS

With its mission in mind, LHOSF has established the LHOSF Scholarship Program which awards scholarships of not less than \$1,000 per year, for up to four years of college to qualified minority high school graduates with financial assistance needs. It encourages the development of these students through the comprehensive use of academic, personal and professional support structured to foster the holistic development of their educational and leadership potential.

The LHOSF Mentorship Initiative provides:

- a network of established role-models and mentors from the corporate, civic and education communities;
- consistent, structured one-to-one career counseling and development seminars for high school students and graduates;
- sponsors a variety of programs and activities promoting stronger channels of communication between adults and youth, educational, cultural and social development;
- annual networking weekends with professional practitioners, mentors and LHOSF Alumni in New Jersey;
- internships, summer-jobs and post graduate placement assistance.