



## PURPOSE

The Gavalas-Kolanko Foundation (GKF) is a public charity established to help students with physical disabilities reach their secondary educational goals. The GKF awards scholarships to students with physical impairments (sight, hearing, movement) at Trident Technical College.

## FIRST-TIME APPLICANTS

To qualify for the scholarship, first-time applicants must complete this form, in detail, with all supporting documents indicated below and return it to Jim Orgel, Lead Disabilities Counselor, at the Services for Students with Disabilities Office at Trident Technical College - no later than **July 24, 2020**. The scholarship is renewable for up to four years, subject to the applicant's request for renewal, the applicant's continued suitability for the scholarship, and available funding of the GKF.

## RENEWAL APPLICATIONS

The GKF scholarship is not automatically renewed. Previous TTC recipients who wish to renew the scholarship must submit (a) current academic transcripts and (b) an updated list of extra-curricular/community service activities to Frank Morea, at the Services for Students with Disabilities Office at Trident Technical College.

## SELECTION PROCESS

The Foundation board will review all new and renewal applications and then award 2020-2021 scholarships, based on applicant suitability and current GFK funding resources. If selected, award recipients will receive notification during Fall semester of the current academic year. The scholarship award will be applied to your Spring semester financial aid awards.

## SELECTED APPLICANTS

Scholarship recipients should be prepared to serve as an ambassador/spokesperson of the Foundation and participate in GKF-related social and civic functions throughout the scholarship year. In particular, the pleasure of your presence is requested at the Foundation's largest fundraiser of the year—the Charleston James Island Connector Run (CJICR). Typically, the event has been held on "Students with Disabilities Day," proclaimed by Mayor Joe Riley, Jr. This year's CJICR is **October 28, 2020**.

## SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION FOR FIRST-TIME APPLICANTS

In addition to completing the Personal Information Section below, first-time applicants must submit all of the following items, along with their application:

- a. Personal letter outlining your educational and vocational goals
- b. Complete, official transcript of your academic record (2.5 minimum GPA for undergraduate applicants and 3.0 minimum for graduate applicants)
- c. List of extra-curricular activities and organizations
- d. Two letters of recommendation; one must be from a former teacher. Letters of recommendation from a family member are not acceptable for this purpose.
- e. Picture of yourself

**PERSONAL INFORMATION SECTION**

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_
2. Home Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_
3. Cell Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_
4. Campus Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_
5. Permanent Address (if different then above) \_\_\_\_\_  
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6. Email Address \_\_\_\_\_
7. Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_
8. Nature of Disability \_\_\_\_\_
9. Name of parent(s) or guardian(s) \_\_\_\_\_
10. High School \_\_\_\_\_ City/State \_\_\_\_\_
11. Year of HS graduation \_\_\_\_\_ Standing in class/ GPA \_\_\_\_\_
12. Field of College Study: \_\_\_\_\_  
Major/Minor \_\_\_\_\_
13. How many credit hours have you completed at TTC? \_\_\_\_\_
14. Extra-curricular activities while in college (school and community)  
\_\_\_\_\_

15. Will you be attending Trident Technical College during Spring 2021 semester? \_\_\_\_\_
16. Are you willing to appear at Gavalas Kolanko Foundation functions as an ambassador/spokesperson? \_\_\_\_\_

### PERSONAL INFORMATION SECTION

17. Are you currently employed full or part-time? [ ] Yes [ ] No
18. If currently employed, where: \_\_\_\_\_
19. How many hours per week are you employed? \_\_\_\_\_
20. List previous scholarships and amounts awarded each year from all sources for the past three (3) years. Please note which scholarships will be awarded for the 2020-2021 academic school year:

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21. List source and amounts of any current student financial aid grant or loan. Please include any student grant or loan for the 2020-2021

academic school year: \_\_\_\_\_

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22. Please complete the following budget with estimated income and expenses for the year 2020 - 2021:

ESTIMATED INCOME	ESTIMATED EXPENSES
Funds from Parents \$ _____	Tuition: \$ _____
From Work: \$ _____	Books/ supplies: \$ _____
From Savings: \$ _____	Housing/food: \$ _____
Scholarships/grants \$ _____	College activities: \$ _____

Student Loans: \$ _____		
Other sources \$ _____		Misc. Expenses: \$ _____
TOTAL \$ _____		TOTAL \$ _____

23. Additional information you would like to share with us so we may know you better:

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Send the completed form and additional requirements to:

Frank Morea, Director of Counseling and  
Career Development Services  
Services for Students with Disabilities  
Trident Technical College  
P. O. Box 118067  
Charleston, SC 29423-8067  
E-mail: Frank.morea@tridenttech.edu

Office Location: Bldg. 410, Room 210, Main  
Campus

Telephone: (843) 574-6131; TTY: (843) 574-6351;

Fax: (843) 574-6812

Note: If you do not currently receive accommodations through the Office of Disability Services at TTC, you must make an appointment with Frank Morea at the Services for Students with Disabilities Office to submit your application packet, in person.

For more information on the Gavalas Kolanko Foundation, visit us on the web [www.gkfoundation.org](http://www.gkfoundation.org). For more information on the Charleston James Island Connector Run/Walk, visit [www.jicrun.com](http://www.jicrun.com).