



## StraightForward Foundation

### Pay It Forward Scholarship Application

#### **Mission:**

Founded in 2016, the *StraightForward Foundation* is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit created to improve the quality of life of individuals affected by scoliosis through empowerment, education, awareness and preventative care. With a vision to share the remarkable stories of people affected by scoliosis, Marcus John, founder of the foundation, set out to create a society where people do not feel invisible.

To further this vision, *StraightForward Foundation* is pleased to announce “Pay it Forward with StraightForward”, with the mission to award an annual scholarship to college students affected by scoliosis pursuing their passion for the arts.

#### **Scholarship Criteria:**

- Candidates must download and submit an application, which includes a brief paragraph outlining the students journey and experience with scoliosis.
- To document financial need, applicants must submit a completed FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) form along with their application.
- Students must be enrolled in or entering a 2-year or 4-year college program
- Students must be majoring or planning to major in Fashion or the Arts.
  - (Arts majors include but are not limited to: studio art, film, photography, graphic arts, language arts, dance, culinary arts, fashion, design, etc.)
- Scholarships are awarded yearly by the StraightForward Foundation Board of Directors.

#### **How to Apply:**

1. Fill out the scholarship application on Page 2.
2. Download and complete [FAFSA](#)
3. Email completed scholarship application and FAFSA to:  
[mj@straightforwardfoundation.org](mailto:mj@straightforwardfoundation.org)



StraightForward Foundation  
Pay It Forward Scholarship Application

Name:

Email:

Address:

Name of College:

Degree being sought:

Briefly describe your journey/experience with scoliosis:

**Once complete, please email Application and FAFSA to:  
MJ@StraightForwardFoundation.org**

\*PLEASE NOTE: Your application is NOT COMPLETE without a copy of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Your application will not be considered without the FAFSA.