The Samuel Huntington Public Service Award

The Samuel Huntington Public Service Award provides a $15,000 stipend to a graduating college senior to pursue public service anywhere in the world. The Award allows recipients to engage in a meaningful public service activity for one year before proceeding on to graduate school or a career. Recently, three past award recipients have won an unsolicited, prestigious McArthur “genius” grant; been named U. S. Surgeon General; and been recognized as a Forbes “30 Under 30” entrepreneur.

Proposals Requested
Students are encouraged to develop their own proposals for public service in the U.S. or abroad. The proposal may encompass any activity that furthers the public good. It can be undertaken by the student alone or working through established charitable, religious, educational, governmental, or other public service organizations. Project summaries of prior award winners and FAQs are posted at: www.nationalgridus.com/huntington.asp.

Along with the application, please submit:
1. A brief abstract of the proposal (no more than 100 words)
2. Proposal in 1,000 words or less, including:
   a. Brief statement of need for the project (no more than a few sentences)
   b. Specific measurable target objectives
   c. Schedule for project tasks
   d. Sustainability of the project
3. Budget (your application will be viewed more favorably if a significant portion of the funds is devoted to your project; award monies not to be used for student loan repayment).
4. Three letters of recommendation (each one-page only)
5. Transcript (official)
6. Résumé

Eligibility
All graduating students from accredited U.S. colleges are invited to apply by January 17, 2017.

Selection
Awards will be based on the quality of your proposal, your academic record, and other personal achievements. Semi-finalists will be personally interviewed prior to selection of the award recipient(s).

Award
The Samuel Huntington Public Service Award provides $15,000 for a one-year public service project: $7,500 is awarded at the start of the project; and the remaining $7,500 is awarded upon receipt of a six-month progress report.

Application Process
Applications (accompanied by items 1-6 above), must be postmarked by January 17, 2017. Applicants will be notified by mid-April if they are to be interviewed or if they did not become semi-finalists. The Award will be granted soon after the interviews.

Applications should be submitted to:
The Samuel Huntington Fund
Attn: Amy Stacy
National Grid
40 Sylvan Road
Waltham, MA 02451
amy.stacy@nationalgrid.com

Samuel Huntington was President and Chief Executive Officer of the New England Electric System which later merged with National Grid. He was deeply interested in public service. Following his graduation from college and before attending law school, Mr. Huntington taught in Nigeria. The Samuel Huntington Public Service Award was established by his friends to allow other students to realize similar experiences and to provide similar service.

Since 1989, the Fund has given 65 awards for graduating seniors to perform public service projects of their own design and imagination in 15 states and 29 countries around the world.
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Name______________________________________________________________________________

Permanent (Home) Address___________________________________________________________ Phone__________________________________________________________

University or College__________________________________________________________________________

Current Mailing Address_____________________________________________________(if different from home) Email ___________________________________________________________

Major_________________________________ Expected Degree____________________________________

Expected Date of Graduation__________________________________ Grade Point Average________

High School________________________________________ Date of Graduation_____________________

Project name and brief description: ___________________________________________________________

Current plans for period following public service: _________________________________________________

Names of individuals from whom you have requested recommendation letters. (Three recommendations are required.)

1.__________________________________________________________________________________________

2.__________________________________________________________________________________________

3.__________________________________________________________________________________________

Public Service Proposal – Summarize your proposal in 1,000 words or less and attach to this application.

Does your proposal require acceptance from another agency?               Yes____________ No____________

If yes, please provide the agency’s name and address _____________________________________________

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Have you applied to __________ or been accepted by __________ the agency?      

Amount of salary or expenses paid by the agency_____________________________________________________

Dates that public service is expected to begin and end: Begin _____________________ End_________________

Proposed location for public service______________________________________________________________

Submit this application, proposal, budget, transcript, resumé, and three letters of recommendation to:

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How did you hear about us: _____________________________________________________________.