The Next Step Scholarship

The Next Step scholarship is a $500 award for deserving youths who have demonstrated resiliency and have the ability to overcome challenges. The recipient must be enrolled in school and looking to supplement their financial aid package. This scholarship will provide financial support for the recipient to help them achieve their goal of completing a degree or certification in a specific job field.
Please respond to the following:

1. Please give an example of a challenge that you have faced and overcome. You may want to choose an example from any of the suggested areas below – for example: a divorce, death of a loved one, living in a dangerous neighborhood, failing grades and bad decisions in the past. (Please limit response to 150 words or less and print clearly.)

2. Please describe the attributes that were utilized to help you overcome the challenge – for example: strong family support, prayer, change of attitude, refocusing, increase in dedication and/or commitment or a stronger more focused work ethic. (Please limit response to 150 words or less and print clearly.)

3. What did you learn from overcoming this challenge that you will be able to utilize and apply to your life moving forward?
4. Identify a mentor who will support you in your pursuit of further education and training. This person will hold you accountable and support you in your pursuit of achieving your goals. A mentor helps to advise you with important decisions on your chosen path - for example: A teacher, relative or trade instructor. Please provide a name and email address.

5. Please rank on a scale of 1 to 7 the following areas that may present a barrier to completing your education or training with 1 being the most challenging, 7 being the least challenging:

- Finances
- Family life
- Transportation
- Structure / Focus / Discipline
- Child care
- Support services (for example: counseling)
- Educational Supplies

Please mail completed application to:
27324 David Givens,
Warren Michigan 48092
Applicant Data

Name: _____________________________
Address: ___________________________
City: _______________________________
Contact number: _____________________
Birth date: __________________________
email address: _______________________ 
High school completion date: __________

Parent/Guardian info, if under age 18:

Name: _____________________________
Address: ___________________________
Contact number: _____________________
email address: _______________________ 

Anticipated Expenses per Semester

Training institution you plan to attend ___________________________
Tuition ......................................................................................
Estimated cost of Books and Supplies ......................................
Transportation Plan __________________________________________
Other Expenses ...........................................................................

TOTAL SEMESTER EXPENSES: $ ______

Anticipated Financial Resources

Savings ......................................................................................
Earnings from employment per semester ...................................
Employer ____________________________________________________
Support from others ...................................................................
Other Aid (grants, loans, scholarships, etc) ..............................
Other resources ...........................................................................

TOTAL FINANCIAL RESOURCES: $ ______

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