

Ava Crofford Youth Citizenship Award

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The Ava Crofford Youth Citizenship Award is given in recognition of the outstanding contributions made by young people to home, school, community, country, and the world. The award was established in 2000 to honor former Soroptimist Ava Crofford.

INSTRUCTIONS

Please complete this application as thoroughly as possible and return it with completed references to the designated address at the bottom of page 5 – **BEFORE THE DECEMBER 15 DEADLINE.**

Before you begin completing this application, **BE SURE THAT YOU MEET THE AWARD CONDITIONS, RULES AND REGULATIONS AS STATED ON PAGE 5 OF THIS APPLICATION.**

Applications should be typed. If you absolutely cannot have your application typed, **USE BLACK INK AND PRINT VERY NEATLY.**

PART I. PERSONAL DATA

Name _____

(last) (first) (middle)

Mailing Address _____

(number and street)

City _____, TX Zip Code _____

Telephone (_____) _____ Social Security No. _____

Birth date _____ Expected Graduation Date _____

School & Address _____

Briefly answer all of the questions below. NOTE: No answer may exceed 125 words. All answers must fit in the allotted space.

2. What do you consider your responsibility as a citizen of your community?

3. How do you view your role as a citizen of the world?

PART IV. GOALS

1. Describe your plans for the future and how they relate to citizenship.

2. How would this award help you in reaching your goals?

PART V. REFERENCES

Using the Personal Reference form, submit TWO references along with your completed application. References must be from two adults representing two **different** sources; neither reference may be related to you. Any references from school personnel should relate to citizenship activities, not academic accomplishments. References **MUST** be sent with your completed application.

PART VI. AGREEMENT

I have read, and hereby accept, the conditions, rules and regulations outlined in this application, and I agree to accept the decision of the judges as final. By signing or typing my name below:

- I certify that I did not receive any assistance in completing this application.
- I understand that this award is taxable in the United States.

Typed Name or Signature of the Applicant _____

Date _____

CONDITIONS, RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE AVA CROFFORD YOUTH CITIZENSHIP AWARD

The Award

The Ava Crofford Youth Citizenship Award is given in recognition of the outstanding contributions made by young people to home, school, community, country, and the world. They are not scholarships but "awards of merit" to be used at the discretion of the recipient in any manner that will best further his/her aims and purposes. The cash award is given in a single payment to each winner.

Eligibility and Qualifications

To be eligible, the applicant must be enrolled in the last two years of a public or private high school within the Texas counties of Falls, Travis, Williamson, Hays, Caldwell, or Bastrop. The applicant must not have reached the age of 21 prior to July 1 of the award year. Completed applications must be received by December 15. To qualify for the award, which is judged on the citizenship and merit of the applicant, a student must demonstrate the following:

1. **Service** – Applicant must have taken an active part in service in the home, school and community with a high degree of cooperation, courtesy and consideration for others.
2. **Dependability** – Applicant must have executed responsibilities with honesty, loyalty and reliability.
3. **Leadership** – Applicant must have demonstrated ability to lead with self-control, dignity and responsibility.
4. **Clear Sense of Purpose** – Applicant must have pursued his/her goals and commitments with sincerity and integrity.

Other Requirements

Applicant must complete this official Ava Crofford Youth Citizenship Award application or a facsimile, which then becomes the property of Soroptimist International of Austin.

Reference forms from two adults, representing two different sources and not related to the applicant, must be included with the official application if mailed, or emailed directly using an email address that obviously belongs to the reference.

Previous winners are ineligible.

Completed applications, with reference forms, must be received by December 15.

Mail to: Soroptimist International of Austin

Carol Dildine

323 County Road 419

Chilton, TX 76632

Or email to: carol.dildine@yahoo.com with a subject line of "Ava Crofford Youth Citizenship Award application".