



# YOUTH CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

sponsored by

*Soroptimist International of Maui*  
*P O Box 1514*  
*Kahului, HI 96733*

Youth Citizenship Awards (YCA) are given in recognition of the outstanding contributions made by young people to home, school, community, country and the world.

The Soroptimist Foundation was established in 1958 and The Soroptimist Foundation of Canada in 1964, by Soroptimist International of the Americas. Soroptimist International of the Americas is one of four federations of the world's largest classified service organization for executive and professional women. More than 47,000 members in almost 1,500 clubs in 18 countries and territories belong to Soroptimist International of the Americas.

## INSTRUCTIONS

Please complete this application as thoroughly as possible and return it with completed references to the designated address at the bottom of page 4 — **BEFORE THE** March 1 **DEADLINE.**

Before you begin completing this application, **BE SURE THAT YOU MEET THE YOUTH CITIZENSHIP AWARDS CONDITIONS, RULES AND REGULATIONS AS STATED ON PAGE 4 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/Province, State \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_ Postal/Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Area Code/Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Location \_\_\_\_\_  
(city/province, state, country)

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

## **PART II. RESPONSIBILITY**

1. What do you consider your most important family responsibility that contributes to citizenship? Include other personal responsibilities in order of importance.

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 III. ACTIVITIES**

1. **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:** Summarize your community activities, emphasizing those that demonstrate strong citizenship involvement. What is your role in these activities and why did you get involved?

2. **STUDENT ACTIVITIES:** Summarize your school activities, emphasizing those that you initiated or had a part in organizing. Begin with the most important and include offices you've held.

#### **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 attached Personal Reference form, submit **TWO** references along with your completed application. References must be from two adults representing two different sources. 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 on page 4 of this application, and I agree to accept the decision of the judges as final.

I certify that I did not receive any assistance (other than typing, if applicable) in completing this application.

I understand that this award is taxable in the United States. (Recipients in other areas should check local tax laws.)

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



# CONDITIONS, RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR SOROPTIMIST YOUTH CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

## The Awards

Youth Citizenship Awards are 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. If a student is unable to accept a cash award in a particular state or country, arrangements can be made to comply with local law.

## Eligibility and Qualifications

To be eligible, the applicant must be in the last two years of a public or private high school, or its equivalent, in a country within the territorial limits of Soroptimist International of the Americas. The applicant must not have reached the age of 21 prior to July 1 of that year. The sponsoring Soroptimist club must receive completed applications by **MARCH 1**. 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 Soroptimist Youth Citizenship Awards application.

Applicant may apply for only one award from a single Soroptimist club.

Letters of reference from two adults, representing two different sources and not related to the applicant, must be included with the official application.

Applications and supporting information become the property of SIA, which shall have discretionary authority in all matters pertaining to this award.

*Soroptimists, Soroptimist employees, and the immediate families of both are ineligible. Previous winners are also ineligible.*

## SOROPTIMIST CLUB MUST COMPLETE THIS BOX PRIOR TO DISTRIBUTION OF APPLICATION

**APPLICANT: RETAIN THIS INFORMATION FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.**

Send completed application to:

Soroptimist International of **MAUI**

Attention: Name **Sharon Suzuki**

Address **P O BOX 1514**

**KAHULUI, HI 96733**

Phone: **871-2332**

**SPONSORING SOROPTIMIST CLUB MUST RECEIVE COMPLETED APPLICATION AND REFERENCES BY**

March 1



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These awards recognize young people for their outstanding contributions to home, school, community, country and the world. They are NOT awarded for scholastic achievement, but rather for the applicant's demonstrated commitment to improving the quality of life for others.

The recommended guidelines for choosing a recipient should include all or most of the following:

1. Applicant must be a graduating high school student, and must not have reached his/her 21st birthday prior to July 1 of that year.
2. Applicant demonstrates considerable commitment to family life.
3. Applicant initiates or is involved in student activities that benefit the school and its students.
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