



**Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust's  
Qa'id Staten Memorial Scholarship Fund**  
"Organized Labor Making a Difference in Our Community!"  
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**Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust's Qa'id Staten Memorial Scholarship Fund**  
**Awards Over \$10,000 to Collegiate Students In Need**  
***Now Accepting Scholarship Applications for Spring 2017 Cycle***

(Philadelphia, PA) – The Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust's Qa'id Staten Memorial Scholarship Fund has awarded over \$10,000 in academic scholarships to deserving collegiate students in need in its Fall 2016 cycle.

Applications for the Spring 2017 cycle of the Qa'id Staten Memorial Scholarship Fund are currently being accepted before the November 1, 2016 deadline. All materials, including application, essays, FASFA, official transcript and mid-semester grade reports are due by this date. Late arriving application materials cannot be considered. Visit <http://www.statencharitabletrust.org/application.php> to apply and learn more about the rules and requirements. Awards for the Spring 2016 cycle will be announced by December 1, 2016.

The Qa'id Staten Memorial Scholarship Fund is specifically designated to assist qualified students in their educational endeavors. Qa'id Staten, the youngest son of Samuel Staten, Sr., Business Manager Laborers' Local 332, was murdered just months before he was to attend Howard University. In his memory, The Qa'id Staten Memorial Scholarship Fund's mission is to work to help defray the costs of tuition, books and on campus housing for students who would not be able to attend these institutions without some form of monetary assistance.

"My first year of college was no easy task but with this scholarship I was able to thrive and focus in a way I couldn't have without it," said one scholarship recipient.

Donations are what makes these scholarships possible. To donate, visit <http://statencharitabletrust.org/donate.php>.

The mission of The Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust is to provide a variety of services to the needy and otherwise underserved community members throughout the five county area of Philadelphia. This mission is achieved through a variety of fundraising events and activities. The Samuel Staten, Sr.

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Charitable Trust illustrates the power of organized labor to make a difference in our community. The Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust was known as The Laborers' District Council Charity Fund until 2011. The name of the charity was changed to honor Samuel Staten, Sr., the man who founded the LDC Charity Fund through a purely unselfish act of charity during his time as Business Manager of Laborers' Local 332 and of the Laborers' District Council of the Philadelphia Metropolitan Area and Vicinity. In his retirement, Mr. Staten, Sr. continued to work with the charity's Board of Directors to raise funds to assist a wide range of charitable organizations. Mr. Staten, Sr. passed in 2016 and the Board of Directors will work tirelessly to continue the mission of the organization he founded.

To find out more about the Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust, visit [www.StatenCharitableTrust.org](http://www.StatenCharitableTrust.org). Qualified students can apply for a scholarship from the Qa'id Staten Memorial Scholarship Fund by filling out the online application.

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