

## **Kentucky Sheriff's Association**

### **The Robert E. (Bobby) Thomas Memorial Scholarship Fund**

#### **BYLAWS**

#### **ARTICLE I**

The *Robert E., (Bobby), Thomas Memorial Scholarship Fund*, has been created by the President and Board of Directors of the Kentucky Sheriff's Association, in an effort to recognize a former Sheriff and President of the Kentucky Sheriff's Association. It is the goal of the Kentucky Sheriff's Association to award a scholarship in the name of *Robert E. (Bobby) Thomas*, former Sheriff of Hardin County, to celebrate his achievements in the field of law enforcement, and to honor his memory.

#### **ARTICLE II**

The purpose for which this fund is organized is:

1. To foster and maintain an interest in higher education specifically for individuals that are committed to continuing their education.
2. To make available to worthy students a monetary gift that will enable them to further their studies.
3. To create and grant scholarships in a specific amount for specific purposes.

### **ARTICLE III**

The Scholarship will be administered and awarded by members of the Kentucky Sheriff's Association Board of Directors. A panel appointed by the President of the Kentucky Sheriff's Association shall review and report back to the entire board their recommendation as to who should receive the award. The board will then vote to approve the winner.

### **ARTICLE IV**

The *Robert E. (Bobby) Thomas Memorial Scholarship* shall be awarded to worthy applicants based on the following criteria.

1. A written 200-300 word essay stating the applicant's career goals and why he/she feels they are deserving of the scholarship. Applications will also be judged on their clarity and communicative skills.
2. A true copy of the applicant's transcripts from their high school if they are a Graduating senior. If the applicant is presently enrolled in a college or University, a true copy of their cumulative records will be used.
3. Any other information the applicant wishes to submit with their application.
4. Nothing contained in Article IV shall prevent the Kentucky Sheriff's Association from presenting the award to any individual that they may deem deserving of the award.

### **ARTICLE V**

The amount awarded each year by the Kentucky Sheriff's Association in the name of *Robert E. (Bobby) Thomas* shall be determined by the KSA Board and divided equally by the recipients selected.

### **ARTICLE VI**

All applications for the *Robert E. (Bobby) Thomas Memorial Scholarship Fund* are due no later than August 1, 2023. The recipient(s) of the award will be announced at the banquet of the Kentucky Sheriff's Associations annual conference.

### **ARTICLE VII**

All funds will be distributed to the applicant or the accredited institution of higher education attended by the recipient(s). Nothing contained in Article VII shall prevent the Kentucky

Sheriff's Association from distributing the award directly to the individual to be used in accordance with necessary expenses in continuing their education.

**(Please print or type all answers, and use a separate sheet of paper when needed).**

_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First</b>	<b>Middle</b>	
_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>Street Address</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Zip</b>
( )	( )	_____	_____
<b>Home Phone #</b>	<b>Cell Phone #</b>	<b>County of Residence</b>	

**Parent/Guardian or Nearest Relative:**

_____	_____		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Relationship</b>		
_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>Street Address</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Zip</b>
( )	( )	_____	_____
<b>Home Telephone Number</b>	<b>Cell Telephone Number</b>		

**What institution do you plan to attend?** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**How do you plan to finance your education?** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Anticipated cost of one year's education:</b>	Tuition	\$	_____
	Books	\$	_____
	Lodging	\$	_____
	Meal Plan	\$	_____
	<b>Total</b>	\$	_____

List scholarships, grants, loans, work-study programs, etc., you have received or expect to receive: \_\_\_\_\_

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Before this application will be considered the applicant must provide the following:

1. A written 200-300 word essay stating your career goals and why you feel you are deserving of this scholarship. Your application will be judged on clarity and communicative skills.
2. A true copy of transcripts from your high school if you are a graduating senior. If you are presently enrolled in a college or university, submit a true copy of your cumulative records.
3. Two letters of recommendation from persons other than relatives.
4. The scholarship committee will consider any other information the applicant wishes to submit with this application.

Have you received the *Robert E. (Bobby) Thomas Memorial Scholarship* before?

If yes what year: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Score: \_\_\_\_\_ ACT Score: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

***Applications Due on or Before August 1<sup>st</sup> 2023:***