

# Miss Iowa

## Scholarship Program

### The Marie Lopresto Miss Iowa Community Service Scholarship Requirements and Instructions

*The Marie Lopresto Miss Iowa Community Service Scholarship is a \$1,000 scholarship sponsored by Miss Iowa 1965, Marie (Mushro) Lopresto in memory and acknowledgment of the champions and community advocates of the program. The scholarship originated with Davenport philanthropists Jack & Gayle Broderick decades ago and is carried on today through Marie's generosity. Marie served as Miss Iowa when the Hon. Jack Broderick was the Miss Iowa Program's Director. Marie's dedication to community has included extensive service as an American Heart Association Volunteer and Co-Chair of the American Heart Association's Circle of Red in Silicon Valley, serving as a Trustee of Ballet San Jose, and being named Top 50 philanthropists by Gentry Magazine, among other community recognitions.*

Awarded to a Miss level contestant at the Miss Iowa Competition.

#### Submission Requirements

1. Online application form.
2. Essay of not more than 500 words describing your community service initiative (submitted as PDF). Include information such as, but not limited to:
  - What motivated your initial interest in this area?
  - What has been your involvement and time commitment?
  - What have been the effects of your service or project upon your community?
  - What are the long-term goals for your community service initiative?
  - How have you personally benefitted from participation in this initiative?
3. A minimum of two (2) Letters of Recommendation from individuals who are in a position to evaluate your community service initiative. Each letter should include the writer's name, address and telephone number and should be on official letterhead, if possible. The information must be verifiable by a phone call.
  - One letter should be from a coordinator, supervisor, or civic leader who can evaluate your contribution to and involvement in the initiative.
  - The second letter should be from an individual or organization that has benefitted from your community service.
  - Additional letters may be included.
  - Letters should be uploaded together as one PDF file.
4. Supplemental Materials\*

You may provide additional information to supplement your application; HOWEVER, your total application, including your essay and letters of recommendation, cannot exceed 10 pages. You may use photos, but there should be captions to explain the content of the photo. You may use press clippings or other items such as brochures to demonstrate the project(s). Supplemental materials should be uploaded together as one PDF file

**\*NOTE:** This material should be related to your community service initiative, NOT a scrapbook of all of your appearances.

5. Judging criteria:
  - Creativity
  - Personal involvement of the applicant
  - Positive impact on the community
  - Commitment of applicant to continue with this community service initiative

**Deadline for submission – Friday, May 24, 2024**