



Become an ACLU Youth Activist Scholar

The American Civil Liberties Union of Alaska Foundation is **offering up to \$2,500** to a **committed civil liberties activist for the first year of college.**

We are looking for students who have stood up for civil liberties, tolerance, free speech, and equality! Past winners of the ACLU and ACLU of Alaska Scholarships were recognized for a wide variety of civil liberties activism including:

- Creating and teaching a class for middle school students that aimed to lower the risk that they would enter into the "school-to-prison" pipeline
- Challenging a principal's policy of punishing students for writing "gay pride" on their arms and notebooks
- Advocating on behalf of Alaska Native/Native American youth in the juvenile justice system
- Producing and hosting a youth radio program focusing on LGBTQ rights and issues
- Working with school officials to ensure that intelligent design would not be taught
- Starting an organization to get teen girls involved in the decisions that effect them, such as policies on sexual harassment and access to comprehensive reproductive healthcare

To qualify for the scholarship you must:

- Have demonstrated a strong commitment to civil liberties through some form of activism;
- Be a high school senior planning on entering an accredited college or university as a full-time, degree-seeking student;
- Have attained a cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale at the time of graduation; and
- Not be a current ACLU plaintiff or witness in a legal case.

To be considered for the ACLU Youth Activist Scholarship
contact Drew Phoenix at the ACLU of Alaska Foundation at
(907) 258-0044 or akclu@akclu.org for details about the scholarship.

Youth activists who complete the application forms will be judged on the following standards:

- The strength and depth of contributions to civil liberties
- The likelihood of a continuing commitment to civil liberties in the future
- Demonstrated leadership
- Commitment to academic excellence
- Demonstrated financial need

If you are passionate about protecting, and fighting for, the Constitutional rights of *everyone* contact the ACLU of Alaska Foundation and apply for the ACLU Youth Activist Scholarship!

Deadline for receipt of completed applications is Monday, December 6, 2010.