

“READ TO SUCCEED” EDUCATIONAL BOOK STIPEND



The Irene Marie Sells Foundation was established to increase academic success, self-esteem, and social competence in our young men and women by encouraging them to strive for academic excellence. The “Read to Succeed” book stipend aims to help students afford textbooks and other study materials as they pursue higher education.

Stipend awardees are chosen on a competitive basis based on their merit. Applicants must also demonstrate career and academic potential, which is determined by a combination of variables such as past performance and career goals. The number of stipends given out will be determined by the available funding. The one-time award in the amount of **\$100** will be paid in one lump sum to the intended recipient.

In order to be considered for the stipend award, the student must:

- Hold a GPA of 2.5 or higher (**official/unofficial transcript required**)
- Plan to attend/ are currently attending a 2-year or 4-year college or university, or a technical/vocational institution at least part-time (proof of enrollment required)

Submit a completed application along with your transcript, personal statement & proof of enrollment to alaishasells98@gmail.com by **12/31 at 5 PM** (please type “Read to Succeed” in the subject line)

Applicant's Full Name: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
Street: _____ City/State: _____ Zip: _____

Will Be Attending (Check One): Graduate School 4-year College Community/Junior College to earn an associate's degree
Community/Junior College, transferring to a 4-year college Vocational/technical institution

Institution you are attending or plan to attend: _____
Program of study: _____ Expected Graduation Date: _____

High School Attended: _____
City/State: _____ Zip: _____ Graduation Date: _____

Write a BRIEF statement of 300 words or less describing your educational plans as they relate to your career objectives & why you feel the “Read to Succeed” book stipend will help you achieve these goals. Please feel free to attach an additional sheet.