



Live Your Dream Award 2017

Quick Eligibility Form

This checklist determines quickly whether you are eligible to apply for the Live Your Dream Award.

Please complete and submit this form first before completing an entire application.

The 2017 grant is estimated to be \$2,000 (taxable) from our local club, Soroptimist International of Farmington Valley (Connecticut).

The evaluators are women who are not currently Soroptimists, and who will independently judge the applications. If you win, we will also forward your application to the regional Soroptimist organization where you may win even more grant money and will meet other inspirational women like yourself.

Please Check each item if it applies to you

- You have a U.S. Social Security Number
- You earn the most money in your household (i.e. financial head of household for tax returns)
- You support at least one of the following: ___ children; ___ spouse; ___ parents; ___ siblings
- You are enrolled in either a vocational/skills training program or in an **undergraduate** degree program (provide name of program/school) _____
- You do not have a graduate degree
- You have not previously been the recipient of Live Your Dream /Women's Opportunity Awards
- You are willing to describe your educational and career goals (300 words max)
- You are willing to describe why you deserve to win the award (750 words max)
- You are financially needy; you are prepared to list your annual educational expenses and annual living expenses
- You are able to provide **two** written references

If you checked ALL the questions, then you are eligible to apply. If you do want to apply, you will need to fill out a more in-depth application and provide **two** references.

Email this form to lcyoung3@comcast.net and we will send you the full application and reference forms.

November 15, 2016 is the deadline for receipt of your full, in-depth application form. All qualified applicants will be notified by February 2017. The award ceremony takes place in April 2017. Submittal of an electronic version of the forms is acceptable. Please let us know if you need a US Mail address to submit your application.

Please call **Mary Jean Cummiskey at (860) 202-9481** if you have any questions.

If you wish to learn more about our organization and the Live Your Dream Award at <http://www.soroptimist.org>.

Good luck!

Your Full Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State and Zip: _____

Telephone No(s): _____ Email: _____

To help us reach more eligible applicants, can you tell us where you heard about this award?

NOTE: Some priority is given to applicants who reside in the Farmington Valley, CT (Avon, Barkhamsted, Burlington, Canton, Farmington, Simsbury, Granby).