



Sydney Loofe Memorial Scholarship

Presented by The Set Me Free Project

Guidelines

Sydney Loofe was raised in Neligh, Nebraska. She moved to Lincoln, Nebraska after high school. She was reported missing on November 16, the day after she went on a date with someone from Tinder. Her body was found 19 days later in a rural area in Clay County. The tragedy took Sydney from her friends and family much too soon. George and Susie Loofe, parents of Sydney, decided to partner with us and advocate for the cause to prevent situations like this from happening, teaching the community how to recognize when there could be malicious intent involved when communicating with others. This scholarship is presented by The Set Me Free Project in honor of Sydney Loofe and her family.

The Set Me Free Project brings prevention education to youth and families to stop trafficking before it starts. Please remember Sydney by reading her story on our [website](#).

Please submit any questions to: info@setmefreeproject.net

Eligibility and Dates

Applicants to the Sydney Loofe Memorial Scholarship must:

- Have a GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- Demonstrate plans to attend an institution of higher learning in the areas of sociology/criminal justice, social work or cyber safety.
- Eligible High Schools: Nebraska High Schools (Public or Private)
- Deadline: February 15, 2019 by 5:00 PM
- Award Amount: \$3,000

How to Apply

- Students should attach their resume. Optional additional attachments of activities page or list of awards is also accepted.
- Please attach your transcript.
- A complete application will include a cover page with your name, school, desired undergraduate degree, email address and home address.
- Please pay attention to the essay guidelines, as described below.

Additional Requirements

1. Two letters of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, coach or supervisor.
 - a. Make sure contact information is included
2. A personal statement of no more than 900 words addressing:
 - a. Leadership ability in student and/or community service
 - b. An outline of school, community and/or church involvement
 - c. Show examples of leadership experiences that have taught you about commitment and dedication
3. The scholarships will be awarded in May 2019. The Set Me Free Project will hold a celebratory event to award the scholarship, and the student receiving the scholarship should attend, family and friends are welcomed.



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please type your answers.	
1.	Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
2.	Mailing Address Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
3.	Daytime Telephone Number: _____ Email Address: _____
4.	Date of Birth: Month Day Year Gender: _____
5.	Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) on a 4.0 scale: Attach proof of GPA. Your most recent school transcript is required.
6.	Are you the first person in your family to go to college: YES NO
7.	Name of High School attending: Location of High School:
8.	(If your resume or activities sheet answers question 8, please attach and skip to Question 9.) A. List any academic honors, awards and membership activities while in high school: B. List your hobbies, outside interests, extracurricular activities and school related volunteer activities: C. List your non-school sponsored volunteer activities in the community:
9.	A. If you have decided on what college you will attend, please list school name: B. If not, list your top 3 college choices:



10.	Questions 10-11 may be included in your essay. Tell about specific achievement that sets you apart for this scholarship.		
11.	Describe the following:		
	a.	Who is your biggest role model and why?	
	b.	What do you want to do with your college education?	c. What ideas do you have to improve your community?
12.	Names of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): Address (if different than one listed above) Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Telephone for parents or legal guardians: _____		

On a separate sheet please write an essay answering the questions below. Please follow this format when submitting your essay. The essay should be typed in Times New Roman, in 12 pt. font, and single spaced.

1. **Please address questions 10-11 in the essay if you did not do so on your application.**
2. **Why is the Sydney Loofe story important to you?**



STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR STUDENTS

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

Signature of scholarship applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

EMAIL COMPLETE APPLICATION TO:
Info@setmefreeproject.net

OR

MAIL COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE TO THE SET ME FREE PROJECT AT:
The Set Me Free Project
P.O. Box 223
Omaha, NE 68010

Checklist

- Application
- Cover Page
- Essay
- Resume/Activity Sheet
- School Transcript

REMINDER:
The deadline for this application to be received by The Set Me Free Project is:
February 15, 2019 by 5:00 PM