NASW Alabama Chapter
AL Torchbearer Scholarship
BSW_____ MSW_____
Available to: Student Members of NASW Alabama in both MSW and BSW programs
Date of Application:_____

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Name: _____
Last First Middle

Telephone: _____ email address:. _____
Area Code Number

Local Address: _____
Number Street Apt. #

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City State Zip Code

College & Years(s):_____

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NASW member: Yes: _____Membership Number_____

Status in Social Work Program: Accepted BSW program: ____
Accepted in MSW program:_____ Advanced Standing Program_____

Expected Date of Graduation: _____
Month Year

Students must provide an official transcript of their academic work with this application and proof of their NASW membership.

Number of hours completed ..... _____
Overall Grade Point Average ..... _____
No. of hrs. completed in social work (CSWE approved) courses ..... _____

Grade Point Average for courses in academic major: ..... _____

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Undergraduate BSW Students: To be eligible, students must have completed 30 hours in social work in a CSWE approved BSW program in Alabama and have a GPA above a 3.25 in the major and 3.00 cumulative.
MSW students: Student must have evidence that they have been accepted into the Graduate Program of a CSWE accredited program in Alabama. The criteria include number of hours completed GPA (overall 3.25.and in the major 3.5) as well as involvement in the discipline.

INVOLVEMENT IN THE DISCIPLINE/Leadership evidence
Please list any campus, community, or professional activities or, organizations, with which you have been involved. Indicate offices held memberships, papers presented or professional meetings attended, etc. Where applicable indicate how these activities reflect and/or promote the discipline. (If necessary, continue on separate page and attach.)

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NASW AL Torchbearer:
Along with this application, the applicant must submit an essay (between 750 words and 3 pages, 11 point, double spaced). In your essay, select one or more of the 32 Alabama Social Work Pioneers (see NASW Pioneer Information document) and identify their contributions to the profession. Address how you will "bear the torch" and fulfill the promise to continue their legacy.

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CONSENT FOR DISCLOSURE OF AWARD IF MADE: I, _____, if selected for this award, give consent to the National Association of Social Workers Alabama Chapter to release my name and picture for purposes of public recognition within the chapter and the general public at large. I understand that my refusal will not count against me for selection purposes. ***Check appropriate box and sign!***

☐ Agree ☐ Disagree _____ _____
Signature Date

Application Timeline: The 2013 Torchbearer Scholarship will be awarded to ONE student in a BSW program and ONE student in an MSW program to be announced in the Summer of 2013. Students may apply beginning February 7, 2013 and applications will be accepted until October 31, 2013. Award winners will be presented at NASW sponsored events. Recipients will also receive a paid membership in NASW for one year as well as a $500 scholarship. Criteria to receive scholarship: Must be a member of NASW-AL, must have a GPA of 3.0 overall and a 3.25 or better in the BSW program and a 3.5 for the MSW scholarship. BSW students must have completed 30 hours in the BSW program to be considered. Students must complete a written application with an essay that links their future as a social worker with qualities & national achievement they saw in ONE of the Alabama social work pioneers listed in the NASW Social Work Pioneers. This is a competitive scholarship. A priority will be students with leadership potential. Applicants must have supportive documents.