#### SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

#### **Deadlines**

The deadline for submitting a completed application is June 15, 2016. Incomplete or late applications will not be reviewed. The Scholarship Committee will send notification to all applicants by July 15, 2016.

Application materials must be addressed to and received at the Madison Park Development office by 5:00PM on June 15, 2016.

The Scholarship Committee Madison Park Development Corporation 184 Dudley Street - Suite 102 Roxbury, Massachusetts 02119

### **Multiple Applications**

You only have to submit one application to receive consideration for both of our scholarship programs.

## **Scholarship Amounts**

The Ralph D. Smith Community Service Scholarship awards up to \$5,000 per year for four years. The Danette Jones Scholarship awards up to \$1,000 on a one-time basis.

## **Scholarship Duration**

The Ralph D. Smith Community Service Scholarship recipients are eligible to receive assistance for the full term of their education at a two or four-year accredited degree-awarding institution provided the student meets all Scholarship terms.



The Ralph D. Smith Community Scholarship

The Danette Jones Scholarship

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## **COMPANY PROFILE**

Madison Park Development
Corporation is a fifty year old not-forprofit organization located in Roxbury,
Massachusetts. Madison Park
Development Corporation (MPDC) was
founded in 1966 by local residents and
community activists dedicated to the
redevelopment and revitalization of
Roxbury; a community devastated by
poor urban renewal policies.

With courage and persistence, the group rose like a phoenix from the ashes and garnered the resources needed to rebuild the once thriving community. This led to the formation of the Lower Roxbury Development Corporation; which later formed Madison Park Development Corporation.

MPDC became one of the nation's first community-based organizations to independently develop affordable housing for low and moderate-income residents.

# THE RALPH D. SMITH COMMUNITY SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP

The Ralph D. Smith Community Service Scholarship is named after the first executive director of Madison Park Development Corporation. Mr. Smith was a resident of the old Lower Roxbury neighborhood. A baker by trade, Mr. Smith was a leader among the residents of the old neighborhood. He led the charge to redevelop and restore the acres and acres of land left vacant by urban renewal. Under his leadership, the core units forming the Madison Park Village complex were created. Upon his death in September 1998, Mr. Smith left his entire estate to MPDC to establish a scholarship fund in his name that would help students "who have demonstrated community service in the Madison Park Village and Lower Roxbury areas."

### THE DANETTE JONES SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Danette Jones served as the second executive director of MPDC, from 1988 to 1998. Under Ms. Jones's leadership, MPDC expanded its housing development programs, created the cultural economic development collaborative, and launched its human capital campaigns. These initiatives included the establishment of vouth and workforce development programs, revitalization of community organizing efforts, and the expansion of the computer training initiatives. Among Ms. Jones's many accomplishments is the successful transformation of the blighted Orchard Park Public Housing Development to the Orchard Gardens Townhouses.

## **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

The eligibility criteria to be considered for the Madison Park Development Corporation, Inc. Scholarship programs are as follows:

- Resident of the greater Madison Park community as defined by the boundaries of Lower Roxbury which include and are limited to residences in the 02119, 02120, and 02121 zip code areas;
- Enrollment full time as a high school senior, progressing normally toward graduation in Spring/Summer 2016 with plans to enter college no later than the fall following graduation;
- A strong commitment to pursuing a bachelor's or associate's degree;
- Present involvement in community service and a strong commitment to continue community service throughout college;

\*Additional requirements may apply

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