

# BROOKSHIRE'S – SUPER 1 FOODS FIRST GENERATION ENDOWED UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

### Description

The Brookshire Grocery Company (BGC) was founded in 1928 by Wood T. and Louise Brookshire in Tyler, Texas. Each year, BGC donates millions of dollars and product to charitable service organizations. The BGC employees/partners are actively involved in the communities where they serve and make it a top priority to build solid relationships with those in their local communities. It is in that spirit of community, that Brookshire's is proud to partner with Southern University at Shreveport to expand access opportunities. The company's investment will help to remove barriers for students seeking careers in the high-demand, highly rewarding fields of Business, Computer Information Technology and STEM.

With a generous donation of \$30,000, the Brookshire's – Super 1 Foods First-Generation Endowed Undergraduate Scholarship fund will be established to support students at SUSLA into perpetuity. The fund is matched by \$30,000 from the Title 3 Fund for endowments, and will be leveraged with \$40,000 in public grant from the Louisiana Board of Regents. The first-generation fund was established by the Board of Regents for the purpose of increasing college access and success for low-income and first-generation students. The objectives of this fund are:

- To provide scholarships that will increase the access of first-generation students with unmet financial need to higher education opportunities in Louisiana
- To provide eligible students with structured support through active and engaged advising; and
- > To provide eligible students with meaningful employment during their education

**Type: Endowed Benefactor:** Brookshire's – Super 1 Foods

**Department:** Business Computer Information Technology and STEM-related, SUSLA first time,

first-generation student

**Due Date:** May 19 (This award not available until Fall 2021 – spring 2022)

Average Award: \$1,000 (\$500/semester based on available funds)

### **ELIGIBILITY, CRITERIA & SELECTION PROCESS:** Student recipients must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Must be a Louisiana resident;
- 2. Must qualify as first-generation college students (i.e., neither custodial parent(s) nor legal guardian(s) have earned a college degree) with remaining financial need after deducting Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) and all federal/state/institutional grant or scholarship aid ("gift aid") from student's Cost of Attendance (COA) and/or students, whether first-generation or not, awarded federal Pell grant;
- 3. Must have been accepted and enrolled in SUSLA as a full-time student at the undergraduate level;
- 4. Must declare a major in Business, Computer Information Technology or STEM-related;
- 5. Must have a min. 2.5 cumulative GPA.

## Additional Requirements:

- 6. In addition to scholarship aid and to help students be successful in navigating the college experience, recipients must agree to accept structured support through active and engaged advising.
- 7. Students must be willing to accept employment (campus or off-campus) for at least 10 hours per week. (Off-campus employment must be directly or indirectly relevant to and supportive of the student's post-degree career plans and/or field of study.).
- 8. Students must meet other requirements consistent with the SUSLA Scholarship guidelines and SU System policies.
- 9. Students must sign Scholarship Acceptance Letter agreeing to all terms of award
- 10. Retention of this award is contingent upon student maintaining all eligibility standards (1-9) listed above.

#### How to Apply:

- 1. Download the Brookshire's Super 1 Foods Scholarship Application at: <a href="https://www.susla.edu/page/scholarships">www.susla.edu/page/scholarships</a>
- 2. Submit completed applications and uploaded documents online by clicking the "submit" button by the deadline date (May 19). Review application carefully before submitting. All submissions final.
- 3. Selection: The Scholarship Review Committee will make all recommendations regarding awards and the student will be notified via email listed on the application

#### Applications may also be mailed to:

SUSLA Office of Financial Aid Scholarships Coordinator 3050 MLK Dr., Shreveport, LA 71107

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