



The TraRon Center  
 The Jeremy “Jerry” Black Scholarship Fund  
 2023 Scholarship for High School Seniors






**The TraRon Center** mission is to expose gun violence survivors to therapeutic modalities that may be absent from their current grieving and coping methods. With a focus on the inclusion of creative arts, we will equip survivors with strategies to healthfully endure the complexities of loss-while promoting community health and solidarity.

**Purpose of the Scholarship Fund:** The Jeremy “Jerry” Black Scholarship Fund at the TraRon Center honors Jerry Black whose life was taken prematurely due to gun violence.

**Scholarship Amount:** \$4,000 (\$2,000 per semester) to cover cost of tuition.

**Application Deadline:** April 21, 2023

**Scholarship Criteria:**

-  High School seniors who have lost a loved one to gun violence.
-  High School seniors who live in Wards 5, 7 and 8.
-  High School seniors going to two- and four-year institutions of higher learning, including vocational and apprenticeship programs.
-  Essay (see questions below)
-  Recommendation Letter (can be from teacher, coach, mentor, clergy...)

APPLICANT INFORMATION					
Applicant First Name:		Last Name:		Middle	
Home Address					
Ward:		Zip Code:			
Email:					
Phone #		School:			
PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION					
Parent/Guardian Name:					
Parent/Guardian Email:					
Phone #:					
QUESTIONS					
List the top three colleges or trade schools you have applied to or have been accepted.					
1.					

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2.			
3.			
Student Statement-Essay (600 words maximum)			
<b><i>The essay response should address the three questions listed below.</i></b>			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Who did you lose to gun violence?</li> <li>2. What impact has their loss had on you and how has it shaped your decisions to pursue your higher learning goals?</li> <li>3. How will this scholarship help you financially, academically, and professionally?</li> </ol>			
Student Statement-Essay			
<b>The information provided in my application is, to the best of my knowledge, complete and accurate, and I understand that false statements on this application will disqualify me from the scholarship. Proof of completion of high school will be required for disbursement of funds.</b>			
Applicant Signature:		Date:	

Essays and applications are to be submitted via email to [info@traroncenter.org](mailto:info@traroncenter.org) before 6:00 p.m. on April 21, 2023. Please feel free to submit any questions via email to [info@traroncenter.org](mailto:info@traroncenter.org).