

What is the Ava's Grace Scholarship Program?

Ava's Grace provides scholarships for students who have experienced parental incarceration. It is a renewable scholarship awarded to students who live anywhere in Missouri or in the Illinois counties that comprise the St. Louis metropolitan area. It is a **need-based** award of \$5,000 per academic year and is renewable through graduation or a maximum of eight semesters, as long as the student continues to meet eligibility and selection criteria.

To be eligible to be considered for this scholarship you must:

- Have a parent who is or has been incarcerated in a U.S. penitentiary (state or federal);
- Be a permanent resident of Missouri, or the Illinois counties of Bond, Calhoun, Clinton, Jersey, Macoupin, Madison, Monroe or St. Clair;
- Have and maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale;
- Demonstrate financial need;
- Plan to enroll in or be currently enrolled in a degree program at a nonprofit higher education institution accredited by a regional accrediting body (North Central or its equivalent in the region)
- Be seeking a first Technical, first Associate or first Bachelor's degree; and,
- Complete the online application between January 1st and April 15th by visiting www.myscholarshipcentral.org.

For more information visit www.sfstl.org or call (314) 725-7990.