



National Tay-Sachs &
Allied Diseases Association

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2024 Jeffrey & Stanley Gottlieb Memorial Sibling Scholarship

Submit your application by January 3, 2025 for consideration this year.

The Jeffrey Alan Gottlieb and Stanley N. Gottlieb Memorial Scholarships are available to freshman, sophomore, junior and senior students attending an accredited college or university full-time beginning with the current academic year. NTSAD Family members only of traditional college age are eligible.

The scholarship is also available to siblings pursuing a graduate or medical degree in the field of medical genetics, pediatric neurology, or research in the field of diseases like Tay-Sachs, Canavan, GM1 and Sandhoff diseases. Students should have a minimum 2.5 GPA at graduation or during current college academic year.

To apply for a scholarship, you must submit the following application in its entirety.

With your application, please include a cover letter (stating name, address, e-mail, daytime phone, age, college attending, year of study, major if declared, and GPA), volunteer activities and two letters of recommendation. The recommendations may be from anyone who is familiar with the person you are today, such as teachers, friends, co-workers, clergy or coaches but *not related family members*. They do not need direct knowledge of your affected sibling.

Please send to Diana Jussila, Director of Family Services at diana@ntsad.org or mail to:

NTSAD – Gottlieb Scholarships Application
2001 Beacon Street, Suite 204
Boston, MA 02135

Submit your application by January 3, 2025 for consideration this year. Applications received after January 3, 2025, will be considered the following year. Awards will be made by mid to late January 2025 and will be made directly to the recipient and not their academic institution.

Numerical score for essay factors:

- 50 points for the applicant's essay
- 10 points for coach/clergy/teacher recommendations (Letters of recommendation do NOT need to be someone who knows or knew the affected sibling; recommender should be familiar with the applicant is today. Letters of recommendation *should not* be from a family member.)
- 10 points for grammar and spelling
- 25 points for volunteerism (Volunteer efforts related to the mission of NTSAD given more weight than other types of volunteerism. For example, volunteering with special needs is scored higher than volunteering at local food bank.)
- 5 points for meeting submission due date



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2024-2025 NTSAD Sibling Scholarship Application Instructions

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I.

First Name:

Last Name:

Email (required):

Best mailing address:

City, State, Zip:

II.

What school do you attend?

What year are you in currently?

What course of study are you pursuing or hope to pursue?

What inspired you to pursue this course of study?

III.

Tell us about your sibling – their name, are/were they older or younger, and what was their diagnosis?

IV.

How has having a sibling(s) with Tay-Sachs, Canavan, GM1, or Sandhoff disease impacted your life? **(Minimum of 350 words)**

V.

How do you envision you will honor your sibling's life in college and beyond? **(Minimum of 350 words)**



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VI.

Looking back, what would have been helpful to you as a sibling? And what advice would you give yourself?

VII.

Do you give NTSAD permission to share selected portions of your essay questions with the broader NTSAD community?

VIII.

We ask all siblings applying for a scholarship if you would like to further the impact of your sibling's life by...

- Fundraising for NTSAD and its programs
- Raising awareness on campus or in your community
- Volunteering at the NTSAD Annual Family Conference
- Being a mentor to another sibling
- Becoming involved in a sibling support programming