

# 2010 UNITY AWARDS APPLICATION FORM

Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Numbers: (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

High school attended: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation year: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative high school GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ (*must attach a transcript or signed statement from school employee*)

College/Trade School(s): \_\_\_\_\_ (*indicate if already accepted*)

Parents' combined income last year: \_\_\_\_\_

Other scholarships received (*sources and amounts*): \_\_\_\_\_

## Attach the following four required items to this application form:

- 1) **A letter from the applicant with one paragraph for each of the first three questions:**
  1. What specific activities are you involved in that demonstrate the Alliance for Unity's mission of unity, civility, and respect for others, and of bringing people together for the common good?
  2. What are your plans for continuing education after high school? What are your ambitions for the future? Where have you applied for admission? Where have you been accepted?
  3. What after-school work experience do you have?
  4. Other information you would like to present to the review committee.
- 2) **A letter of support from a non-relative adult (such as a teacher or employer) who knows the applicant well and is prepared to vouch for him or her.** The respondent should indicate how long and to what extent he or she has known the applicant, and should include evidence of the applicant's promotion of values of unity, civility, and respect for others.
- 3) **A signed statement from your school verifying your eligibility for free or reduced lunch.**
- 4) **A transcript or signed statement from a school employee verifying your GPA.**

## The most competitive applications will document:

- Family income that qualifies for free or reduced lunch in Utah high schools
- Minimum grade-point average in high school of 2.5
- Status as a graduating Utah high school senior who has been accepted for post-secondary education
- Consistent after-school work history
- Evidence of good citizenship and promotion of the values of unity, civility, and respect for others, as expressed in the Alliance for Unity's mission statement (see reverse)

Submit this application form and the four attachments described above **by April 30, 2010**, to:

Dr. Alexander B. Morrison  
Executive Director, Alliance for Unity  
500 Huntsman Way  
Salt Lake City, UT 84108

*Please copy & circulate this form to others who may know of interested candidates.*

# ALLIANCE FOR UNITY

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## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

We, the undersigned, are concerned that acceptance of diversity in Utah today is not of the scope or at the level it ought to be. We ask Utahns of every background to cast a broader look at diversity and to nurture a deeper respect for our differences. It is only when we respect differences that we can be united in a healthy community.

Utah is a community rich in resources, ideas, hopes, capabilities, and heritage. Our people have different political, religious, and other beliefs. We seek to help build a community where differing viewpoints are acknowledged and valued. Differences need to be aired, and problems resolved, in an atmosphere of courtesy, respect, and civility. What separates a healthy, diverse community from a divided one is the level of respect and understanding of our differences.

Our Alliance for Unity will seek ways to bring people together for the benefit of all. We will encourage specific projects of common purpose. Our overriding goal is to help people cross boundaries of culture, religion, and ethnicity to better understand and befriend one another. This will be an ongoing and long-term endeavor.

We invite all Utahns to join us, person to person, neighborhood to neighborhood, in bringing together all people for the common good.

## MISSION STATEMENT

- We seek to foster a more unified community in which all Utahns are included and valued, regardless of affiliations or differences.
- We recognize and accept that there are religious, political, and cultural differences in our community, and encourage respect and civility in public discourse and actions, especially when we disagree.
- We support opportunities for people with differences to understand and appreciate one another.
- We are committed to making Utah a place where diverse people work together to solve community problems.