

Soroptimist International of Victor Valley

Dream It, Be It Award

Honoring Young Women
in pursuit of their dreams, through
education and career development

Application Submission Deadline **Extended to May 15, 2020**
(must be received by this date)

Winners Announced: June 2020

Winners will be Honored and Presented Award
at our Awards Dinner on TBD

(Winners are required to attend the awards dinner.

Location of dinner to be announced.)



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If you can Dream It, you Can Be It

Are you in high school and a young woman between the ages of 13 and 18 who has set your sights on your future career plans? Do you dream of the career you want? Do you know what education and/or training you need to pursue your chosen career? Have you set goals to help you achieve your dreams? You may be eligible to win a Soroptimist Dream It, Be It Award.

The Dream It, Be It Award is to help young women achieve their career dreams. Young women have a world of career opportunities available to them. As a young woman, you can pursue any career you want—if you can dream it, you can be it. Soroptimist International of Victor Valley (SIVV) understands that young women today face barriers and obstacles while working toward their career goals. The Dream It, Be It Award provides SIVV an opportunity to help young women overcome some of those obstacles.

Soroptimist International of Victor Valley is a non-profit service organization for business and professional women and men. SIVV has been serving the High Desert since January 1970. The purpose of a Soroptimist club is service, principally to its community, but also to society in general—locally, nationally, and globally. Our key objective is to improve the lives of girls and women.

Dream It, Be It Award

The Dream It, Be It Award program provides awards to local young women who are looking to their future, setting career goals, and taking action to accomplish their goals. The awards are to help the winners achieve their career goals. This year there will be three award levels, the first place winner will receive a \$500 award, the second place winner will receive a \$400 award, and the third place winner will receive a \$300 award. All three winners will receive a laptop computer.

If you think you would make a good Dream It, Be It Award candidate, please complete this application and tell us about your career dreams. Send the application, along with your essay and two letters of recommendation, to: SIVV, Attention; Geetha Puri, P.O. Box 965, Victorville, CA 92393 or email to sivictorvalley@soroptimist.net

Application must be **received by May 15, 2020.**

Good luck! And keep working on your future career goals.

Instructions:

Deadline: Complete application must be received by **May 15, 2020**. Late applications will not be accepted. Soroptimists, Soroptimist employees, and the immediate families of both are ineligible for the award. Applications must be submitted directly to Soroptimist International of Victor Valley either via mail or e-mail as listed in step 3.

Step 1: Determine if you are eligible

Eligible applicants are young women who:

- are currently between the ages of 13 and 18
- in high school (grades 9-12)
- live in the High Desert Area
- have identified career dreams
- can demonstrate initiative in working toward her career dreams
- are able to attend the Awards Dinner on TBD, if selected a winner

Step 2: Complete the application

Application package includes:

- Completed Application
- An Essay (Please have your name and page number listed on the top of each page)
- Two letters or recommendation*

** Letters of recommendation must come from an adult (cannot be a family member) who can confirm your passion for your dream career, confirm the actions you have taken to make your dreams happen, and provide a recommendation for you. The person's name, title, phone number, and his/her relationship to you must be included with the letter. Letters can be mailed to us separately or submitted with the application and essay; however, applications will not be processed unless two letters of recommendation are received by the deadline.*

Step 3: Mail or E-mail you application package: (Note that email is the preferred method)

Send your application package with any supporting materials to:

Mailing Address:

Soroptimist International of Victor Valley
Attn: Geeth Puri
P. O. Box 965
Victorville, CA 92393

E-mail Address: sivictorvalley@soroptimist.net **(Emailed packages must be in Microsoft Word or PDF formats only)**

Reminder: Applications must be received by May 15, 2020.

Any inquires regarding this application should be made by e-mailing SIVV @
sivictorvalley@soroptimist.net

Dream It, Be It Award Application



General Information: Please print legibly (Application package must be received by May 15, 2020)

Name: _____, _____, _____
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)

Date of Birth: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Phone: _____

Name of High School: _____ or ☐ Home Schooled

Current Career Dream: _____

Essay

On another sheet, write an essay, up to 1,100 words. Tell us what your career dreams are and why this is your dream career. Tell us what you have done to achieve your dreams. What will you need to do to make your dreams a reality? How would this award help you in pursuing your dreams?

- Please have your name and page number listed on the top of each page of your essay.
- Essay is to be double-spaced and typed using Arial 12 Font.

Agreement

- I certify that all information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.
- I understand this award may be taxable in the United States.
- I understand that my application and supporting materials become the property of Soroptimist International of Victor Valley (SIVV) upon submission, and that SIVV shall have sole discretion in using the materials for the purpose of publicizing the Dream It, Be It Award program.
- I understand that two (2) letters of recommendation are required for application consideration.
- I understand that if selected as a winner, I will be **required** to attend the SIVV Annual Awards Dinner on TBD. (SIVV will provide, at no cost, dinner tickets for the winner and one guest. Additional tickets can be purchased, details will be provided to the winners.)

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian (if under 18): _____