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**The Give Something Back Foundation (GSBF)**

*A College Scholarship Program for 9<sup>th</sup> Graders in New Jersey*

GSBF helps students — who may not have considered college an achievable option — get the guidance and financial support they need to complete a college degree in four years, debt free.

*Here's how the GSBF program works:*

- Students apply during 9<sup>th</sup> grade, and must be Pell Grant eligible. (Typically if they qualify for a free or reduced lunch program, they are eligible for a Pell Grant.)
- Applicants must attend an information session this fall (see timeline below).
- Following the application process, selected students are paired with trained adult mentors who provide support throughout high school, preparing them for the rigors of college.
- High school graduates are then offered a full four-year scholarship for tuition, room and board at one of our New Jersey partner colleges: Rowan University, The College of New Jersey, St. Peter's University, Montclair State University, William Paterson University, and the New Jersey Institute of Technology.

*Steps for admission include:*

- **FALL 2016** – Attend a mandatory Information Session (dates, times and locations can be found at [www.GiveBack.ngo](http://www.GiveBack.ngo)).
- **BEFORE NOV. 1, 2016** – Complete and submit the College Cost Estimator to determine your financial eligibility (a website link will be provided to you at the Information Session).
- **BEFORE JAN. 15, 2017** – You will be notified by GSBF if you are financially eligible to complete the application process.
- **FEBRUARY - MARCH, 2017** – Deadline for applications is March 1. If accepted for further consideration, attend an in-person interview. We will email you dates and locations after evaluating your application.
- **BY APRIL 15, 2017** – All applicants will be notified of the GSBF selection committee's decision.

For more information or to start the application process, visit [\*\*www.GiveBack.ngo\*\*](http://www.GiveBack.ngo)