

To: SFAPAL Members

Date: 2020 Calendar year

Subject: Ileana Garcia Florida PAL Activist Award

Do you know a minority youth that never gives up? Do you know a youth when faced with obstacles decides to design their own course? Do you know a youth that he or she may be the first member of their family to go to college? Do you know a youth that is constantly talking and showing you how they want to create change for your community?

Does he or she work hard not only to help themselves but others? Do you know a youth that you feel that if they only had a chance you know they would make the best of the opportunity? If you have any of these outstanding young people involved with your PAL program show them how much they mean to you and nominate them for the Ileana Garcia Florida PAL Activist Scholarship Award.

Enclosed you will find the application for the 2020 Ileana Garcia Florida PAL Activist Scholarship Award Application.

Winners of all of the above scholarship award will be announced in October 2020 via Florida PAL's Social Media Platforms (Twitter, Instagram, Facebook and Website).

The Winners of the Ileana Garcia Florida PAL Activist Scholarship will receive their award during the 2020 Membership Training Conference, December 12-15, 2020 at *Disney's Yacht Club Resort* Conference Center in Lake Buena Vista, Florida*. This arrangement is subject to change due to the fluid situation of Covid-19 and because of that Florida PAL reserves the right to award the winners through the mail or at an alternate site, during an alternate time if at all necessary.

DEADLINE for Ileana Garcia Scholarship is September 23, 2020, before 4:00 PM EST. All applications must be submitted electronically. There will be no exceptions to this deadline since the Awards Committee will need adequate time to review each application. Applicants can apply for this scholarship as well as the PAL Boy and Girl of the Year, Max Trapasso Outstanding Youth Director Award, Ileana Garcia Florida PAL Activist Scholarship Award, Florida PAL Tag You're IT Scholarship, and the Michelline Haynes Ruth Florida PAL Academic Scholarship Award however you may only be awarded one award, once in a lifetime.



AWARDS PROGRAM

The State of Florida Association of Police Athletic/Activities Leagues (SFAPAL) will present awards at the annual Membership Training Conference in December 2020.

The following awards will be presented:

1. PAL Volunteer of the Year
2. Community Corporation of the year
3. PAL Girl of the year
4. PAL Boy of the year
5. Max Trappasso Outstanding Youth Director Award
6. Ileana Garcia Florida PAL Activist Scholarship Award
7. Michelline Haynes Ruth Florida PAL Academic Scholarship Award
8. (3) Three Florida PAL Tag You're It Scholarship Awards

Purpose of the Awards

The awards will be presented annually to honor the persons who have demonstrated an outstanding contribution to the citizens of their community through the PAL program. We urge all SFAPAL members to submit deserving candidates for consideration.

Selection Committee

An independent committee will select the winner in each category.

Nominations for award shall be limited to (3) three parts:

Part I- Completed entry data sheet. Data should include only those activities or programs that took place during the current calendar year (2019-2020).

Electronically Submit at least 3 Color Photos of your nominee by email to Florida PAL. [Must have at least two color photos]

Part II- Narrative. **Electronically submit your narrative.** Questions that should be addressed in the narrative are listed for each respective category of each award, reference page 4 of this application. The narrative can be free form and should be a maximum of two pages 8 ½ " X 11", typed, double-spaced, one side only. You must have a minimum of one full page.

Part III- Letters of endorsement. Letters (minimum of 3, maximum of 5) from other organizations or individuals having direct knowledge of the achievements will be considered with the nomination. **Scan these in and electronically submit them as well.**

Recipients of the Ileana Garcia Florida PAL Activist Scholarship Award will have the honor of receiving a plaque, being a guest of honor at a special SFAPAL event and having their story told to all meeting/event attendees (Covid-19 permitting). Their photo and story of their achievements will be showcased on the SFAPAL Social Media Platforms and Website. **Winners may attend the awards ceremony held during the December 2020 Membership Training Conference.**

Winner(s) must be present to receive their check for (\$1000.00) One Thousand Dollars. The Award ceremony will be Sunday, December 13, 2020 (Time TBA).

Entry Deadlines and Submission Data

Please make sure to electronically submit your the completed nomination {i.e. Data Entry Form, Narrative, Color Photo, and Letters of Endorsement}. All entries must be submitted to the state office on or before 4:00pm EST, September 23, 2020.

Entries should be submitted by email to:

FLPALMembersconnect@sfapal.org
Subject: Awards Committee- Ileana Garcia Award

Questions for Award Narrative

Ileana Garcia Florida PAL Activist Scholarship Award

This narrative needs to be at least 500 words.

1. Brief description of the nominee's involvement with their respective PAL.
2. Brief description of their involvement with Florida PAL.
3. School/Church/Community background.
4. What Does PAL Mean to Me? (at least 200 words)
5. What do I hope to accomplish through my pursuit of education/trade school/police academy?
6. What might you and Ileana Garcia have in common? (at least 30 words)
You can read all about Ileana Garcia at www.sfapal.com on the homepage to see what you may have in common.

Eligibility for the Ileana Garcia Activist Scholarship

- Must be a Minority
- Must be entering (Accepted to) a Florida College/University/Trade School/Police Academy
- Must be a member of a local PAL and participated in FL PAL Youth Directors
- Must be recommended by a PAL Director, FL PAL Board Member, or FL PAL Executive Director or FL PAL Program and Events Manager
- Must have a 2.0 GPA or better
- Must submit a copy of your final quarter Report Card
- Must have participated in a PAL program for at least a year.
- Must have participated in a SFAPAL (Florida PAL) program in 2019-2020
Hint: Make sure to list any STATE PAL Events you have been involved with and or participated in.

**THE SFAPAL ANNUAL AWARDS PROGRAM
AWARD NOMINATION
ENTRY FORM
ILEANA GARCIA FLORIDA PAL ACTIVIST SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**

(A) Category _____

(B) Nominee _____

Member of _____ PAL Chapter

Age: _____ FL PAL Kids Trax Card# _____

Grade Level _____ or Becoming a College Freshman _____

If Incoming Freshman, what University/College _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (Cell) _____ (H) _____

Email address: _____

Instagram _____ Twitter _____

(C) Name of person submitting nomination _____

(C-1) Email of person submitting nomination: _____

(C-2) Relationship to Nominee: _____

(C-3) Phone (w) _____ (mobile) _____

(D) Signature of your PAL Chapter's President or Executive Director of the nominating PAL...

Signature _____

Print Name _____

Title: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone (w) _____ (mobile) _____

I verify the information that is submitted in this nomination is factual, and can be verified.

(E) I understand the Nominee can only win "Once in a lifetime".

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