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QA'ID STATEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

PHILADELPHIA, PA & VICINITY -- The Qa'id Staten Memorial Scholarship Fund, a division of The Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, is accepting applications for the Fall 2012 cycle of scholarships. The Qa'id Staten Memorial Scholarship Fund's mission is to disadvantaged, deserving students to seek higher education. Applications can be submitted by visiting www.StatenCharitableTrust.org.

The Qa'id Staten Memorial Scholarship Fund was established to perpetuate Qa'id Staten's legacy. Qa'id Staten, the youngest son of Samuel Staten, Sr., Business Manager Laborers' Local 332, was murdered just months before he was to attend Howard University. In his memory, The Qa'id Staten Memorial Scholarship Fund's mission is to work to help defray the costs of tuition, books and housing of the sons and daughters of the members of the Laborers' District Council and eligible students in the five county area who would not be able to attend these institutions without some form of monetary assistance.

Scholarships, in amounts up to \$2,000, are awarded to high school or college students at the discretion of The Qa'id Staten Memorial Scholarship Fund Committee. Applications are accepted throughout the year and reviewed twice a year. Applications for the Fall Cycle are due by July 1 and awardees will be informed by August 1, so that the funds can be used for the Fall Semester. Applications for the Spring Cycle are due by November 1, and awardees will be announced by December 1, so that funds can be used for the Spring Semester. Late arriving applications cannot be considered for evaluation until the following cycle. Family of officers and agents of the Laborers' District Council and its locals are not given any special consideration.

Scholarships are also available for programs such as field trips, learning abroad, and other special educational opportunities. These applications will be considered by the board throughout the year. Above deadlines do not apply.

"The Qa'id Staten Memorial Scholarship Fund allowed my daughter to travel abroad for an educational trip to Paris and Rome," said the parent of a High School Senior who received a scholarship to attend an educational trip. "The once in a lifetime experience is something she will remember and cherish forever. I truly thank the Qa'id Staten Memorial Scholarship Fund."

"I would like to take this time to thank you for awarding me The Qa'id Staten Memorial Scholarship. It has been a contributing factor to my academic success in college. Textbooks alone that are required for my major cost an average of two to three hundred dollars each and many of my courses require more than one textbook. The scholarship has alleviated that financial burden for my freshman year. It has given me the freedom to adjust to college life," said a scholarship recipient. "Because I was able to apply more time to my academics, I was selected to work in a lab with one of my professors."

The mission of The Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust (formerly Laborer's District Council Charity Fund), a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, is to provide a variety of services to the needy and otherwise underserved community members throughout the five county area of Philadelphia. The Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust was known as The Laborer's District Council Charity Fund until 2011. The name of the charity was changed to honor Samuel Staten, Sr., the man who founded the LDC Charity Fund through a purely unselfish act of charity during his time as Business Manager of Laborers' Local 332 in addition to Secretary Treasurer of the Laborers' District Council of the Philadelphia Metropolitan Area and Vicinity. Now retired from the Laborers' District Council and Laborers' Local 332, Samuel Staten, Sr. continues to work with the charity's Board of Directors to raise funds to assist a wide range of charitable organizations that provide a variety of services to the needy and otherwise underserved community members throughout the five county area of Philadelphia. The Samuel Staten, Sr. Charitable Trust believes in the principles that unionism was founded on: a fair day's pay for a fair day's work, and worker's rights. The Trust also believes that next-generation unionism must vigorously pursue workers' rights based on management and union cooperation and the advancement of member education.

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