

The Chief of Chief Ya'shua Ben Yoseph Ben Levi Business & Politics Scholarship

A Scholarship for Future Leaders in Business, Politics, and Community Transformation

1. Purpose and Vision

The Chief of Chief Ya'shua Ben Yoseph Ben Levi Business & Politics Scholarship is established to support individuals dedicated to transforming underserved communities through business, politics, and policy-making. This scholarship is designed for undergraduate, master's, and doctorate students, as well as researchers working on projects that create sustainable social and economic change.

The scholarship aligns with B'nai B'nai's mission of empowerment, community development, and leadership training across the U.S., Ghana, and other African nations.

2. Scholarship Structure and Global Reach

Total Scholarships Given Annually

The number of scholarships awarded will be determined based on annual funding and budget allocation. The goal is to impact as many deserving students as possible across multiple countries.

Degree Level	U.S. Recipients			Ghana & Africa Recipients		Other International
Recipients	Total per Year					
Undergraduate	50	75		25	150	
Master's	25	50	15	90		
Doctorate	10	25	5	40		
Research Grants	10	10		5	25	
Total	95	160	50	305		

3. Eligibility Requirements

To receive the scholarship, applicants must meet the following criteria:

General Criteria

- Be enrolled or accepted in an accredited undergraduate, master's, or doctoral program.
- Demonstrate a commitment to community development, social change, business, or politics.
- Have a minimum GPA of 3.0 (undergraduate) or 3.5 (graduate and doctoral levels).

- Submit an essay or research proposal outlining their vision for economic or political change in underserved communities.
- Provide at least two recommendation letters from professors, community leaders, or employers.
- Participate in a B'nai Bimah leadership training program or a community service project aligned with B'nai Bimah's mission.

Research Grant Requirements

- Must submit a detailed research proposal on policy development, economic justice, or business growth strategies for underserved communities.
- Must provide a breakdown of expected research costs.

Priority Groups

- Students from low-income backgrounds.
- First-generation college students.
- Individuals working on African-American and African economic empowerment.
- Students committed to public service and grassroots leadership.

4. Scholarship Funding and Budget Breakdown

To ensure the longevity of the scholarship, B'nai Bimah will maintain a 10-year financial projection with a growth plan to sustain and expand the fund.

Projected Annual Budget

Expense Category	Annual Cost (USD)
Undergraduate Scholarships (150 recipients, \$5,000 each)	\$750,000
Master's Scholarships (90 recipients, \$10,000 each)	\$900,000
Doctorate Scholarships (40 recipients, \$15,000 each)	\$600,000
Research Grants (25 recipients, \$20,000 each)	\$500,000
Administrative Costs (Staff, application processing, selection committee)	\$250,000
Fundraising and Marketing (Gala events, promotions, donor engagement)	\$150,000
Leadership Training & Internship Support for Recipients	\$250,000
Travel and Conference Sponsorship for Scholars	\$200,000
Total Annual Budget	\$3,600,000

5. Funding and Sustainability Plan

To keep the scholarship growing, B'nai Bimah will implement a multi-tiered fundraising strategy, including:

1. Annual Fundraising Gala & Corporate Sponsorships

- Red, Black & White Banquet: Annual event to honor scholarship recipients and attract corporate and private sponsors. Expected fundraising goal: \$1 million per year.
- Corporate Endowments: Partnering with companies, universities, and government institutions to contribute annually. Target: \$1.5 million per year.

2. Membership & Donor Contributions

- Individual Donor Tiers (Bronze \$500, Silver \$1,000, Gold \$5,000, Platinum \$10,000).
- Projected Annual Membership Donations: \$500,000.

3. Investment & Trust Fund

- Establishing an investment portfolio, growing annually with compound interest.
- Allocating 20% of funds raised to an endowment for sustainability.
- Expected yearly growth: \$600,000 per year.

4. University Partnerships

- Creating collaborations where universities match scholarship funds for recipients.
- Targeted partnerships with U.S., Ghanaian, and African universities.
- Expected contribution: \$500,000 per year.

Total Projected Annual Fundraising: \$4.1 million, ensuring long-term growth beyond the initial \$3.6 million budget.

6. Application Process and Scholarship Disbursement

Application Timeline

Phase Timeframe

Application Opens	January 1st
Application Deadline	April 30th
Selection Process	May - June
Award Notification	July 1st
Funds Disbursed	August 15th

Selection Committee

- Panel of business leaders, political strategists, educators, and community advocates.
- Involvement of past scholarship recipients as mentors.

Disbursement Process

- Funds sent directly to the university or institution.
- Research grants disbursed in stages based on project milestones.

7. Scholarship Expansion Goals (5-10 Years)

Year	Scholarships Given	Projected Fund Growth
2025	305	\$4.1 million
2027	450	\$6 million
2030	600	\$8 million

8. Key Impact Metrics

The scholarship aims to produce leaders who will:

- Create policies that improve economic conditions for underserved communities.
- Launch businesses that generate jobs and wealth in low-income areas.
- Advocate for community rights through policy and legal reform.
- Engage in public service, running for political office or working in governance.

Tracking Impact:

- Annual impact reports from scholars.
- Alumni network for mentorship and community projects.

9. Conclusion

The Chief of Chief Ya'shua Ben Yoseph Ben Levi Business & Politics Scholarship is not just a financial aid program—it is a leadership incubator designed to empower individuals who will reshape economies, policies, and communities globally. Through sustainable funding, rigorous selection, and mentorship, B'nai B'nai will establish a lasting legacy of change-makers worldwide.