

# **The Salvation Army Brooklyn Brownsville Corps**

## **A “Helping Hand” Grant**



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## **Grant Application and Instructions**

***Graduating Class of 2025***

**The Salvation Army**  
**Brooklyn Brownsville Corps “Helping Hand” Grant**



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***Application for Class of 2025***

**Overview:**

The Salvation Army Brooklyn Brownsville Corps “Helping Hand” Grant is awarded to students graduating from high school in the Brownsville/East New York community. The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the universal Christian Church. Its message is based on the Bible. Its ministry is motivated by the love of God. Its mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination. We are the Greater New York Division of The Salvation Army, and for over 130 years, we’ve dedicated ourselves to doing the most good for the men, women and children in our area who need it most.

**Use of the Grant:**

The “Helping Hand” Grant shall be a one-time grant award presented upon proof of enrollment to a college, university, community college, technical or trade school. **For 2025, the grant amount will be up to \$500.00.** The award recipient(s) must attend an accredited college, university, community college, technical or trade school. The applicant must be accepted at any of these institutions at the time of the award presentation. Proof of acceptance, (i.e.; Bursar’s registration bill, school housing receipt, or other official documents) will be required to receive the grant award.

**Award Guidelines and Eligibility:**

The “Helping Hand” Grant award is based upon personal achievements, character, social awareness, volunteer efforts, and career goals as communicated by the applicant and supporting recommendations. Each applicant must provide a completed application, and supporting recommendations by the stated application deadline.

The graduating senior must attend one of the following high schools:

- W. H. Maxwell Career and Technical Education High School
- Fredrick Douglas Academy VIII High School
- Brownsville Academy High School
- Teacher’s Preparatory High School

Thomas Jefferson Educational Campus:

- Performing Arts and Technology High School
- World Academy for Total Community Health High School
- FDNY High School for Fire and Life Safety
- High School for Civil Rights

Minimum grade point average to apply for the “Helping Hand” Grant is 2.3 on a 4.0 scale.

### **Selection Process:**

The selection committee will evaluate all qualified applicants. The decision will be based on information obtained from the applications submitted and discussions with the applicant. The decision of the selection committee will be final.

### **Key Contacts:**

The contact at the Salvation Army Brooklyn Brownsville Corps will be Lieutenant Nereus Mogaria.

The contact number is 718-345-7050. Email: [Nereus.Mogaria@use.salvationarmy.org](mailto:Nereus.Mogaria@use.salvationarmy.org)

### **Application Instructions:**

The following steps must be met:

- The applicant must complete and submit all required forms by the announced deadline date.
- Using the recommendation forms included in this application, the applicant must enclose two (2) sealed recommendations with the recommender's signature across the seal of the envelope. The two recommendations can be from a teacher, instructor, coach, community leader, religious leader, or supervisor who worked with the applicant, or any other adult (not a family member) who is familiar with applicant's personal achievements and abilities.
- *The recommendations can also be emailed to Lieutenant Nereus Mogaria at [nereus.mogaria@use.salvationarmy.org](mailto:nereus.mogaria@use.salvationarmy.org).*
- Completed applications and its associated forms must be mailed, delivered, or emailed to:

The Salvation Army Brooklyn Brownsville Corps  
280 Riverdale Avenue  
Brooklyn, New York 11212  
Attn: "Helping Hand" Grant

Email: [Nereus.Mogaria@use.salvationarmy.org](mailto:Nereus.Mogaria@use.salvationarmy.org)

- Completed applications for the Salvation Army Brooklyn Brownsville Corps "Helping Hand" Grant must be received by **FRIDAY, MAY 30, 2025**. Any applications received after the deadline will be considered void and not considered by the review committee.
- From the pool of application submissions, applicants will be selected for an interview conducted by the selection committee. Interviews will take place in the month of **JUNE 2025**. Advanced notice regarding the exact date will be provided.

**The Salvation Army  
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APPLICATION**



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**General Information (Please Type or Print)**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Educational Information (Please Type or Print)**

Name of High School attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_ G.P.A.: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Guidance Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Post High School Information (Please Type or Print)**

Name of College/University/Technical/Trade School:

\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Major / Course of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

**In 200 words or less, tell us how you have helped others (e.g., your family, neighbors, co-workers, someone who is not an acquaintance, etc.) while going to high school. Please share at least three (3) examples. (Please Type using Arial 12 pitch font or Print)**

**How would you rate yourself in the following areas: (Please place a check mark in the appropriate column)**

CATEGORY	Below Average	Average	Good	Very Good	Excellent
Respects all individuals					
Demonstrates strong work ethics; trustworthy					
Strives to deliver their best					
Always willing to learn and develop					
Can overcome barriers					
Is authentic; expresses true feeling with tact and consideration					

**Release for information**

The information provided in my application is, to the best of my knowledge, complete and accurate. I understand that false statements on this application will disqualify me from receiving the grant.

I (please print your name) \_\_\_\_\_, give permission for any college, school, or individual to release to The Salvation Army Brooklyn Brownsville Corps any information necessary to process my grant application. I understand that it is my responsibility to ensure that all supporting documents are received by the Salvation Army Brooklyn Brownsville Corps by the due date. I give permission to use my name and photo for any press release or external communication as a grant recipient.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**PERSONAL RECOMMENDATION FORM**



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**TO THE APPLICANT:**

Please give this recommendation form to a personal reference who will complete Sections B & C and return it to you in a signed, sealed envelope to include with your completed application.

**SECTION A (Please Type or Print)**

**Applicant's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TO THE RECOMMENDER:**

Please complete the requested information in Sections B & C. When completed, please:

- 1) Sign the form
- 2) Put the completed recommendation form in a sealed envelope
- 3) Sign your name across the seal of the envelope
- 4) Return it to the applicant

**SECTION B (Please Type or Print)**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mobile Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**How long have you been acquainted with the applicant?** \_\_\_\_\_

**In what capacity have you interacted with the applicant?**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION C (Please place a check mark in the appropriate column)**

In comparison to youth you have interacted with in the same or similar group; how would you rate this applicant in terms of the areas listed below?

CATEGORY	Below Average	Average	Good	Very Good	Excellent
<b>Helping Others:</b>					
Makes a difference in school and/or the community					
Helps those who are not in a position to help themselves					
Is a mentor; willing to teach others					
Encourages others to do well or the right thing					
<b>Is a Good Person:</b>					
Respects all individuals					
Demonstrates strong work ethics; trustworthy					
Strives to deliver their best					
Always willing to learn and develop					
Can overcome barriers					
Is authentic; expresses true feeling with tact and consideration					

**Additional Comments:** (If more space is needed, please attach a separate sheet)

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**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_