



## Step Ahead Scholarship Announcement

Tri-State Bank is pleased to announce that the application process for the 2017-2018 Step Ahead Scholarship is now open. The Step Ahead Scholarship program is a collaborative effort of A Step Ahead Foundation, Inc. and Girls Inc. of Memphis to support their commitment to encouraging the educational advancement and leadership development of young women in the greater Memphis community. The Step Ahead Scholarship is a county-wide post-secondary scholarship program for young women committed to positively impacting the greater Memphis area by encouraging academic success and effective life planning. Tri-State Bank manages the program.

The scholarship is available to any 17 – 30 year old female Shelby County resident with plans to attend an accredited institution of post-secondary education.

Preference will be given to applicants with the expressed intentions of using their education to help the greater Memphis community, and the desire to lower rates of teen and unintended pregnancy in the greater Memphis area.

Multiple scholarships of at least \$2,000 will be awarded from a \$100,000 fund. Awards will be based on strength of application and estimated financial need. Each award is a one-time scholarship; however, recipients are encouraged to maintain good academic status and reapply each year as needed.

**Scholarship application forms, eligibility requirements, and instructions can be found at [www.astepaheadfoundation.org](http://www.astepaheadfoundation.org) and [www.girlsincmemphis.org](http://www.girlsincmemphis.org). Completed application packets must be received by April 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**Questions concerning the Step Ahead Scholarship should be directed to [info@astepaheadfoundation.org](mailto:info@astepaheadfoundation.org). Please write “scholarship” in the subject line.**

**Award recipients will be notified and posted on our websites by May 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**For information on programs and services of A Step Ahead and Girls Inc. of Memphis, please visit [www.astepaheadfoundation.org](http://www.astepaheadfoundation.org) and [www.girlsincmemphis.org](http://www.girlsincmemphis.org).**