Dear Friends,

January 21, 2016

I’d like to tell you about an exciting scholarship opportunity that I hope you’ll pass on to your students. For nearly 30 years, the Vincent L. Hawkinson Foundation has been awarding scholarships to young people who are taking bold action for justice.

Specifically, we’re looking for students who demonstrate a commitment to peace and social justice through one or more of these ways:

- Completed a specific peace or social justice project
- Demonstrated courage in carrying out their convictions about peace and social justice
- Displayed ongoing commitment to, and leadership in, a peace or justice organization
- Served as a role model for others to move society or a religious organization into new realms of thought and practice regarding peace and justice

Do you know anyone who might be a good fit for a Hawkinson Scholarship? Please encourage your students to apply.

- Scholarships typically range from $1,000 for high school students to $4,000-5,000 for undergrad and graduate students.
- Applicants must be residents of (or currently attending school in) Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, or Wisconsin.
- Applicants can be high school, undergraduate, or graduate students. High school students are considered for separate high schools scholarships.
- We do not consider financial need or religious affiliation.

I’m enclosing an application form. Please make copies of the application to share with your students, or ask students to visit our website (www.hawkinsonfoundation.org) to download a scholarship form. The application deadline is March 15, 2016.

If you have any questions about the scholarship application process, please contact Alison Bents at info@hawkinsonfoundation.org.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Sanberg
Executive Director
Application Eligibility & Requirements

• Applicant must be a resident of (or currently attending school in) Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota or Wisconsin.
• Applicant can be a high school, undergraduate, or graduate student. Scholarships typically range from $1,000 for high school students to $4,000-5,000 for undergrad and graduate students.
• Scholarship finalists must be available for an in-person interview in Minneapolis, MN.
• Scholarship recipients must attend the annual award ceremony in the fall of 2016. (Attendance may be excused in exceptional circumstances.)
• Scholarship recipients are required to submit a final report by May 1, 2017. The final report will describe how they used and benefited from the scholarship.
• All decisions by the Hawkinson Foundation Selection Committee are final.

Application Checklist (Include your name on each page; please do not staple.)
[ ] Applicant Information page (page 2)
[ ] Scholarship essay
[ ] Name and contact information for someone who will nominate you
[ ] Nomination form (page 3) or letter completed by your nominator (can be mailed separately)
[ ] Current academic transcript (non-certified copy is acceptable)

Scholarship Essay
Please submit an essay addressing the topics below. It should be 2-3 pages long and typed. Remember to include your name on each page.

Describe how you have demonstrated your commitment to peace and social justice. Include the following if these apply to you:
• Completed a specific peace or social justice project.
• Demonstrated courage in carrying out your convictions about peace and social justice.
• Displayed ongoing commitment to, and leadership in, a peace or justice organization.
• Served as a role model for others to move society or a religious organization into new realms of thought and practice regarding peace and justice.

Also address:
• How this scholarship will be used;
• How this award would affect your future work for peace and justice; and
• How this award will promote peace and justice for others.

Return your completed application, postmarked by March 15, 2016, either by mail or email:
The Vincent L. Hawkinson Foundation
324 Harvard Street SE
Minneapolis, MN 55414

To apply via email, submit your application materials in Word or PDF format to info@hawkinsonfoundation.org.

Scholarships will be announced in July 2016.
SCHOLARSHIP NOMINATION FORM

Applicant: Fill out the “Scholarship applicant” and “School of Applicant” fields. Give this form to someone who will nominate you for the scholarship.

Nominator: You may use either this form or your own letterhead. Attach additional pages if necessary.

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SUPPORTING STATEMENT BY NOMINATOR:

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Or submit via email, including information requested above, to info@hawkinsonfoundation.org.