

Soroptimist International of Guam P.O. Box 654, Hagatna, Guam 96932

Live Your Dream: Education & Training Awards Program FACT SHEET

Award Summary

The Soroptimist Live Your Dream: Education and Training Awards for Women provides women who serve as the primary wage earners for their families with the financial resources to offset costs associated with their efforts to attain higher education or additional skills and training. Recipients can use the award for tuition, books, books, childcare, carfare or any other education-related expense. Each year, over \$2 million is provided in cash grants to women in need. Since the program's inception in 1972, more than \$30 million has helped tens of thousands of women achieve their dreams of a better life for themselves and their families -- leading to stronger communities, nations and the world

Award Amount

The Live Your Dream Award starts at the club level where award amounts vary. Soroptimist International of Guam will provide a \$1,000 award. Club-level recipients then become eligible for region-level (our Founder Region) awards granted in each of Soroptimist's 28 regions. The first-place region recipients then become candidates for one of three \$10,000 finalist awards.

<u>Applications</u>

Applications are available through an online portal, **bit.ly/LYDA-apply**. Applicants need to:

- Step 1. Go to **bit.ly/LYDA-apply** (the link to access the LYD application portal)
- Step 2. Type zip code 96932 in zip code search field
- Step 3. Select SI Guam from list
- Step 4. Complete the online application

Although all applicants are expected to utilize the portal, there is the previous option of emailing the SIG LYD Club Chair a completed PDF application form. They will need to first request a copy of the form, and must understand that they will coordinate with the Chair to eventually create the online application to formally submit. To avoid these extra steps, we highly recommend applicants to directly use the above online application portal.

Deadline

November 15, 2018

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Founded in 1978, Soroptimist of Guam is part of Soroptimist International of the America, a global organization that works to improve the lives of women and girls

through programs leading to social and economic empowerment. Soroptimist of Guam members join with almost 80,000 Soroptimists in about 120 countries and territories to contribute time and financial support to community-based projects benefiting women and girls,. Soroptimist, a 501(c)(3) organization that relies on charitable donations to support its programs, also powers LiveYourDream.org -- an online community offering offline volunteer opportunities in support of women and girls. For more information about how Soroptimist improves the lives of women and girls, visit www.soroptimist.org.

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