Hindu Temple of Atlanta
Need-Based Award Application
2012-2013

Name (Last,First):_____
SSN:_____
Email: _____@_____ Phone #: ( ) _____

Graduating Class
□ **2012**

Your Budget 2012- 2013:
Check your applicable ESTIMATED Tuition and Fees costs for the year:

Your Estimated Costs:

Tuition and fees:	$ _____
Books & supplies:	$ _____
Laptop:	$ _____
Living expenses:	$ _____
Childcare:	$ _____
Miscellaneous:	$ _____
Total: (enter in A below)	$ _____

Specify miscellaneous costs:
_____

Your Estimated Income:

Available savings/investments:	$ _____
Your part-time work during school year if any:	$ _____
Spouse's net income:	$ _____
Other family assistance expected:	$ _____
Total: (enter in B below)	$ _____

(A) Your estimated total costs:	$ _____
(B) Subtract your total estimated income:	– $ _____
Total financial aid needed (loans, grants and scholarships):	**$** _____

Need Based Awards Offered

Five (5) $1,000 awards for students attending Georgia schools of higher education

MINIMUM AWARD CRITERIA:

- Must be Hindu*
- Must be a resident of Georgia
- Must be a graduating high school student who will be working toward an undergraduate degree at an institution of higher education in **Georgia** during the 2012-2013 school year as a full-time student
- Minimum GPA of 3.25
- Must demonstrate financial need (FAFSA SAR required)
- Involvement in community- or school-related activities

***Application Deadline 09/29/2012**
Application forms must be received by email (preferred) pulipaka@bellsouth.net or physically at:

Hindu Temple of Atlanta
5851 HWY 85
Riverdale, GA 30274

No postmarks accepted.

Award winners notified no later than 10/07/2012
Honorees will be notified by letter and email

Students selected for 2012 – 2013 - scholarship awards are required to attend the awards event on 10/14/2012

All honorees will be recognized at:
The Hindu Temple of Atlanta
On the afternoon of: Sunday, 10/14/2012

Hindu Temple Of Atlanta
Award Application Checklist

- ☐ Completed Application Form

- ☐ Typed essay of 500 words or fewer. In an essay of no more than 500 words, write about the (Philosophical role of Hinduism in tackling violence in the present day world). Be specific, detailed, and creative.

- ☐ Recent photo of applicant (A color print photo is preferred – minimum photo size: 3” wide x 4” tall. A high-resolution digital photo on disc is also acceptable.)

- ☐ Two (2) letters of recommendation (Letters from community leaders and school teachers or administrators are acceptable.)

- ☐ Official school transcript(s)
  * Graduating high school student, send high school transcript

- ☐ Copy of the FAFSA “Information Acknowledgement 2012-2013 Student Aid Report (SAR), Federal Student Aid Program”
  (This form includes actual parental/student contributions and other information that must be included with this application. To apply online, visit <www.fafsa.ed.gov>. Complete SARs should include the EFC and other information.)

- ☐ Students selected for 2012 scholarship awards are required to attend the awards event on 10/14/2012.

All personal information presented in this application shall be treated confidentially

(TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY. USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY.)

PART A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Student's full name (first, middle, last): _____ _____ _____

Student's phone number(s): Home: _____ Mobile: _____

Student's e-mail: _____ Student's social security #: _____

Student's home address:
Street:: _____ City: _____ State : _____ ZIP: _____

Student's college address:
Street:: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Student's citizenship: _____ Permanent US Resident: Yes / No

Student's date of birth: (mm/dd/yy) _____

Student's place of birth:
City: _____ State/Province: _____ Country: _____

Student's religion: _____

Student's generation of family in the United States (first__, second__, third__):

Student's gender (x): Female ___ / Male ____

Father's name: _____

Father's Religion: _____

Father's place of birth
City: _____ State/province: _____ Country: _____

Mother's name: _____

Place of birth:
City: _____ State/province: _____ Country: _____

Mother's Religion: _____

Siblings living with you and your parent(s):

Name: _____ _____Age: ____ Year in school: _____
Name: _____ Age: ____ Year in school: _____
Name: _____ Age: ____ Year in school: _____
(List additional names on a separate sheet of paper.)

PART B. ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Name of current school: _____Year's in school: _____
Address of current school
Street: _____ City: _____ State: ___ ZIP: _____
Cumulative Grade Point Average (through January 2012): _____
Is this GPA weighted? (circle): Yes / No Rank in class: _____ Total students in class: _____
SAT scores: Total: _____ Reading: _____ Math: _____ Writing: _____ ACT score: _____
National academic honors or awards (e.g. Presidential Scholar, National Honor Society, etc.):
1)
2)
Name of institution you plan to attend in 2012-2013: _____
Address of institution you plan to attend in 2012-2013
Street: _____ City: _____ State: ____ ZIP: _____

PART C. FINANCIAL NEED

The FAFSA "Information Acknowledgement 2012-2013 Student Aid Report (SAR)" must be included with this application. Be sure the "EFC" calculation is also included with your report.

PART D. ADDITIONAL PARTICIPANT REQUIREMENTS

Please use a separate sheet of paper to list your involvement with the following listed items.

VOLUNTEERING IN THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH YOU LIVE:*
(e.g. volunteer work for the community, religious and/or ethnic organizations, school, etc.)
CULTURAL & EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES:*
(e.g. language school, performance group, peer tutoring, theater, dance, mentoring, etc.)
OTHER ACTIVITIES & DUTIES:*
(Information, activities, and/or duties the applicant feels would be helpful to the awards committee. Include specific activity or duty, total time commitment, etc.)
EXTRACURRICULAR AND/OR SPORTS ACTIVITIES IN SCHOOL:*
(e.g. athletics, speech, debate, drama, etc.
** Use separate sheet to enumerate*

Evaluation criteria for the Awards based on grades and other activities:

1. The committee will evaluate the candidates on high school grades, other achievements and community service.
2. Evaluation is based on scores allotted for a combination of financial need, scholastic scores and candidate's extracurricular achievements and community service activities.
3. The committee will contact you for any further information if needed.
4. The candidate must be accepted in an undergraduate college in Georgia, USA.
5. Attach a copy of parents' IRS certified transcript of the Federal Income Tax Form 1040.
6. The candidate may be asked about other scholarship and assistance receiving from other sources.

General Guidelines for awards:

1. The applicant must be a Hindu.
2. The recipients of the awards will be decided by the sole direction of the Committee based on above guidelines and the Judges' decisions are final.
3. It is mandatory to claim the award in person at the annual scholarship meeting of The Hindu Temple of Atlanta. Failure to do so will result in the award being given to the next deserving candidate.
4. The applicant must commit to perform at least 100 hours of volunteer service at The Hindu Temple of Atlanta during the academic year 2012/2013.

*This is a one-year award but can be extended upon re-applying and approval from the committee

PART E. CERTIFICATION:

I certify that all information I have provided in relation to this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. If requested, I agree to give proof of information. I understand the selection committee may review information included on and with this form, my transcripts, and my need for financial assistance based on a federally approved need analysis. I give permission for the selection committee to contact high school and college officials for additional financial and/or academic information. I also give permission for the U.S. Department of Education to release the information I have provided on my Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form to The Hindu Temple Of Atlanta. With reference to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C.552a), I acknowledge that I disclose my Social Security number as a voluntary but necessary action for the purposes of identification (which may include sharing such information with awards sponsors) and to enable the location and appropriate use of the information on my FAFSA form. If selected to receive a scholarship, I give permission for publicity release of my name, photo, background information, and essay. I understand that if I am selected for a 2012-2013 Hindu Temple of Atlanta Award, I am required to attend the awards event on 10/14/2012.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date: _____

- Name of applicant: _____

For inquiries and any information candidates may contact P Ravi Sarma at pravisarma@hotmail.com or PB Rao at pulipaka@bellsouth.net