

# The Queen Eddie Conlon Youth Fund



The Queen Eddie Conlon Youth Fund was established by City Commissioner Nicole Murray-Ramirez, co-founder and Imperial Court Board Member Nathan Garcia, and the Imperial Court de San Diego in conjunction with The San Diego Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Community Center.

Named in honor of LGBT community leader, army veteran, columnist and entertainer Eddie Conlon, the Fund provides assistance to San Diego youth, for education-related expenses, books, supplies and clothing.

Queen Eddie Conlon was a fixture in San Diego's LGBT movement for more than 30 years. A beloved entertainer, his performances benefited nearly every charity organization in the LGBT and HIV communities. Queen Eddie's legendary kindness and compassion for his human brothers and sisters was evidenced every week in his Update column, where he advised on matters of love, death, relationships, family and money. Eddie is survived by Shawne, his partner of more than 40 years.

Queen Eddie particularly valued the younger members of the LGBT community and adamantly believed in their capacity to bring about change. His belief in the power of knowledge and education is the basis for this scholarship fund.

Questions or a request for a funding application may be directed to Beth Barnes at [bbarnes@thecentersd.org](mailto:bbarnes@thecentersd.org).

## Application Guidelines

Applications are available at The Center (3909 Centre Street) or may be downloaded from The Center's website ([www.thecentersd.org](http://www.thecentersd.org)).

Completed applications are forwarded to The Director of Operations & Quality Assurance for processing.

- 1) Youth are eligible for funds if: (1) They are between the ages of 13 and 24 (2) They are admitted to or currently attending high school, college or other educational program/training and (3) They can demonstrate financial need.
- 2) Funds are available to eligible youth for any expenditure related to attending school. Applicable expenses include clothing, shoes, books, school supplies training registrations, etc.
- 3) Upon receipt of a completed application, The Center's Director of Operations & Quality Assurance or a designated staff member will contact the applicant, obtain further information, and if all criteria are met, begin processing the request for funds.
- 4) Release of funds will usually require two week's notice for processing; however, other arrangements are available in an emergency.
- 5) All funds released must be accompanied by an appropriate invoice, receipt, or bill. Youth must provide receipts or statements showing an appropriate use of funds from the Queen Eddie Conlon Youth Fund.
- 6) Funds are made available on a first come, first served basis.

For more information please contact: Beth Barnes at (619) 692-2077 x125 or [bbarnes@thecentersd.org](mailto:bbarnes@thecentersd.org)

# Application

## Contact Information

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

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

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

## Educational Information

What school do you attend or have you been admitted to? \_\_\_\_\_

Full-Time     Part-Time     Other (explain below)

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## Employment Information

Are you currently employed?     Yes     No

If you are currently employed, please select the appropriate box:

Full-Time     Part-Time

Who is your employer? \_\_\_\_\_

## Additional Information

1. Please attach a summary of 500 words or less of why you are requesting funds through the Queen Eddie Conlon Youth Fund and what the funds will be used for.