

Casey Feldman Memorial Scholarship Application

Please e-mail your completed and signed application to <u>altbreak@colorado.edu</u> no later than 11:59pm on Sunday, February 2, 2020. In addition, attach your one-page Scholarship Question response and current resume to your application. **All applications materials must be saved in PDF format.**

This scholarship is possible because of a generous donation from Joel Feldman and Dianne Anderson. Alternative Breaks is proud to honor their daughter Casey Feldman. Although Casey is no longer with us, her spirit and passion for helping others lives on through those who strive to make a positive impact on the world around them. There were many issues close to Casey Feldman's heart that she would be proud to sponsor, and she had a place in her heart for all who were less privileged than she. Casey had an open heart, an open mind, a diverse group of friends, and she supported diversity through her involvement in multiple causes.

You are encouraged to visit the Casey Feldman Foundation website at http://caseyfeldmanfoundation.org/ and to "Like" the Casey Feldman Network on Facebook. https://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Casey-Feldman-Network/252688052329. As a scholarship recipient, you would be required to write an article about your experience and submit a biography to be used on the foundation website.

These examples will provide you with a view into Casey's passions:

- Casey was an animal lover her entire life and championed causes on behalf of wild and domestic animals. She was a member of multiple animal rights organizations, volunteered at a no-kill animal shelter, and was the source of multiple pets adopted into her home in Pennsylvania. Casey opposed chemical testing on laboratory animals and was opposed to "puppy mills". She was an advocate of adopting pets from shelters and through rescue groups and she supported the protection of the natural habitats of wild animals in all respects, however particularly as they have been affected by the current environmental changes. She was the adopted mother of a wolf housed in The Wolf Sanctuary in CO.
- Casey volunteered at a soup kitchen in NYC and was touched by all of those who were in need of the services offered there, particularly those who were affected by HIV/ AIDS. When Casey would go out to dinner in NYC, her boxed leftovers were given directly to those experiencing homelessness that she would pass. There is a church across the street from Fordham University, where she attended college, where individuals experiencing homelessness would sit on the steps and sleep. Casey would leave her leftovers there even if the steps were vacant, stating that the food would be found and eaten.

- Casey volunteered at a women's shelter in NYC. This shelter housed young single mothers, some of them teens. Casey took care of their toddlers at the center while the young mothers were undergoing job training or interviewing.
- She was sympathetic towards all causes geared towards assisting those affected by alcoholism, addiction, and mental illness.
- Casey advocated and championed for the rights of the LGBTQ community.
- Casey donated some of her prom dresses in high school so that underprivileged high school girls from other school districts could have a day "shopping" for a prom dress.
- She supported and advocated for the environment. She championed her efforts towards recycling and wrote an article on this issue that was published in the Fordham Observer.

SCHOLARSHIP QUESTION:

Please explain your financial need and how your volunteer experiences and life goals reflect the ideals and values that Casey lived by.

- Limit your answer to one page typed.
- Please note if you are a member of Guardian Scholars.

If designated as a recipient of the Casey Feldman scholarship, please sign below that you would be able to fulfill the following:

- Contact the Feldman's via email within a week of scholarship acceptance with a picture, a brief biography, and description of the work you will be doing on your Alternative Breaks trip.
- After completion of service, email the Feldman's pictures from your Alternative Breaks trip and a brief story about what was done on your trip. Due Wednesday, April 15 by 11:59pm.
- Have dinner with the Feldman's when they are in town during the spring of 2020.

By applying for this scholarship, you are consenting to the Casey Feldman Foundation's publication of an article about and photos of you.

Signature

Printed name

Date

Email

Phone Number