# GLORIA AND JOSEPH MATTERA NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND FOR MIGRANT CHILDREN

- **Purpose:** To assist financially those migrant farmworker youth who have the potential and desire to further their education to achieve their personal and career goals.
- **Awards:** Grant amounts are determined by the Screening Committee on the basis of background in migrant farmwork, financial need and potential of the youth. The Fund grants approximately 100 awards annually ranging from \$150 to \$500.

#### • Recent history of movement for agricultural employment priority will be given to currently interstate migrant youth

- Scholastic potential
- Financial need
- Enrolled in or accepted at an accredited public or private college, technical or vocational school, or a dropout or a potential dropout from high school who shows promise of ability to continue schooling

Application Process: A completed application form must be accompanied by:

- a letter of recommendation from a school, community or educational agency representative with a personal knowledge of the applicant's character, educational commitment and financial need;
- applicant's personal essay telling about his/her background, career and personal goals and indicating why he/she should receive this assistance;
- proof that the student has been admitted to the school chosen.
- a copy of the applicant's current or most recent Migrant Education Program Certificate of Eligability (COE)

There is no deadline for applications which are reviewed on a case by case basis. Students may reapply annually but are limited to one award per 12 month period.

Submit application along with all supporting documents to:

Gloria and Joseph Mattera National Scholarship Fund Geneseo Migrant Center 3 Mt. Morris - Leicester Road Leicester, NY 14481 (800) 245-5681



Additional application forms and further information can be obtained at the Geneseo Migrant Center web site: www.migrant.net

## Gloria and Joseph Mattera National Scholarship Application Form

This form must be accompanied by at least one reference letter, a personal essay and proof of acceptance to a postsecondary school and a copy of current or most recent Migrant Education Program Certificate of Eligability (COE) as specified on the cover page of this application.

## APPLICANT

			()_	
Last Name	First Name	Middle In	itial Home Pho	ne
Mailing Address	City		State	Zip
Home Address (if different from mailin	g address)			
Name of parent(s) or legal guardian		Parent/gu	ardian occupation(s)	
Date of birth: month/day/year	Place of birth	Personal goal/caree	r choice	
MIGRANT STATUS				
Date (month and year) of most recent n employment by applicant or applicant's	Number of years (or months) working in agriculture by applicant or applicant's family			
Last type of agricultural work done				
Names of towns and states in which the	family or applicant worke	d in agriculture in the la	ast twelve months	
Name and address of school(s) attended	-			
EDUCATIONAL BACKGE	ROUND			
Name of school presently attending		(	) Telephone	
			Telephone	
School address			Anticipated date of g	raduation
			)	
Name of secondary or post-secondary p has been accepted (if different from sch <b>NOTE:</b> you will need to attach proof o	nool listed above)		Telephone	
School address			Anticipated date of g	raduation
FAMILY INCOME - In which	ı bracket does your family i	ncome fall?		
0-\$10,000	\$10,001 - 15,000	\$15,001 -	- 20,000	\$20,001 - 25,00
\$25,001 - 30,000	\$30,001 - 35,00	0 \$3:	5,001 +	

### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - PLEASE ITEMIZE AS SPECIFICALLY AS POSSIBLE

List all financial assistance approved and/or anticipated for the academic year including assistance from parents, loans, scholarships, work-study, TAP, etc.			Anticipated expenses for academic year.
Туре	Amount		
			Tuition
			Books
			Housing
			Meals
			Transportation
			Other (please specify)

#### **REFERENCE LETTERS**

At least one letter from an adult must be included with your application. The reference letter may not be written by the applicant, anyone under 21 years of age, or anyone related to the applicant or serving as legal guardian. Please have the reference write a letter addressing the student's character, educational commitment, achievements, grades, etc., and supporting the need for financial assistance.

Last Name	First Name	Title (Mr/Ms/Mrs/Dr)	Daytime Phone	
Address	City	State		Zip
			_()	
Association with applicant (examples - teacher, counselor, minister, employer, etc.)			<b>Evening Phone</b>	

The information on this form and contained in the application package is true and correct to the best of my knowledge as evidenced by the following signature.

Applicant's Signature	Date
APPLICATION CHECK LIST   Personal Essay Proof of Acceptance   Reference Letter	This Form Completed Migrant Education and Signed COE

The Gloria and Joseph Mattera National Scholarship Fund for Migrant Children was founded in 1974 to honor Joseph Mattera, the father of the founder of the Geneseo Migrant Center. The name was changed to include Gloria Mattera upon her death in 1988.

Dr. Gloria Mattera, founder of the Geneseo Migrant Center, was born in Rochester, NY on April 16, 1930. She received her bachelor's and master's degrees from the State University of New York (SUNY) at Brockport and her doctorate in education from the Pennsylvania State University. As a member of the SUNY Geneseo Education Department faculty, Dr. Mattera developed and led a summer program for teachers of the children of migrant farmworkers. She recognized the need for services for migrant children, and in 1968 founded the Center. It soon expanded to include day care programs for infants and preschoolers, and adult education and recreation, as these needs became apparent.

Recognized for her work on behalf of farmworkers at the local, state and national levels by her peers, the leading providers of migrant education and other services, Dr. Mattera received numerous awards throughout her career. MEMO, a periodic publication for the national Migrant Education Program, featured her in its April 1987 issue as a "Founding Mother" of migrant education. She was known to farmworkers all along the East coast as "Doc Mattera." The Center she founded continues today to provide programs guided by her philosophy of respect and support for the workers.



"Let migrant farmworkers live and work with the dignity befitting the importance of their task" Gloria Mattera

The Gloria and Joseph Mattera National Scholarship is made available through private donations and fund-raising efforts. Donations to the Fund are tax-deductible.

> Geneseo Migrant Center 3 Mt. Morris - Leicester Road Leicester, NY 14481 1-800-245-5681 www.migrant.net