



TUSKEGEE UNIVERSITY

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Catherine Coleman Flowers Endowed and General Scholarships for Lowndes County

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Background:

Catherine Coleman Flowers is an environmental and climate justice activist bringing attention to the largely invisible problem of inadequate waste and water sanitation infrastructure in rural communities in the United States. Flowers has dedicated her career to fighting for environmental justice. Much of her work focuses on improving sanitation and water infrastructure in Black, Indigenous, Latinx, and poor rural communities in the United States. A powerful storyteller and communicator, Flowers has advocated for environmental justice in moving testimony before the United Nations and the U.S. Congress, framing access to clean water and sanitation as a civil and human right.

She started her professional life as a geography teacher and advocate for civil rights, and was appointed as the Executive Director of the National Voting Rights Museum. As Flowers became more involved with activism, she took on different roles, including leading the NAACP Voter Empowerment Program. She eventually returned to academia, and joined the University of Nebraska at Kearney for a master's degree in history.

Student Eligibility:

This award goes to a student(s) at Tuskegee University who attended and graduated from Central High School in Lowndes County, Alabama.

Award Schedule:

Beginning in August 2022, \$16,000 should be distributed each academic year to 1-3 students per year.

- 1 student = \$16,000/year
- 2 students = \$8,000/year
- 3 students = \$5,333/year