

## **APPLICATION DAY CHEAT SHEET**

## **Quick Tips**

- The application is mobile friendly. If using your cell phone you may want to turn off Wi-Fi for faster
- If using a computer, we recommend using Google Chrome browser.
- Your time stamp is obtained after the 1st page of the application, but you must continue on and complete all 5 pages and receive the confirmation page in order to save your time stamp. You may take your time completing pages 2-5 as long as you complete the full application at one time.

What you need to complete your Big Shoulders Fund Tax Credit Scholarship Application

(Complete and bring with you when you fill out your application.)

1 - Email address:
2 – County you live in:
<ul> <li>Big Shoulders Fund serves the following counties: Cook, Boone, Carroll, DeKalb, DuPage, Joe Daviess,</li> </ul>
Kane, Kendall, Lake, Lee, McHenry, Ogle, Stephenson, Winnebago
3 - Number of people in your household:
<ul> <li>Household members are all people living together in a room or group of rooms in a housing unit.</li> <li>This may include grandparents or other individuals living with you.</li> <li>This does not include individuals, such as grandparents, for whom you financially support, but do not live with you.</li> <li>This includes college students who may not live with you full time, but that you financially support.</li> </ul>
4 - Household Income:
<ul> <li>Household income equals your Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) found on line 7 or 8 of your 2018 Federal 1040 Tax Return. You must enter the exact dollar amount (without dollar signs, commas, or decimals)</li> <li>If you do not file a Federal tax return, enter total income received for ALL adult household members: including all W-2s, 1099s, SNAP or SSI benefits, and any additional income received</li> </ul>
5 - School District that you live in:
<ul> <li>Find your Public School District at <a href="https://www.isbe.net/Pages/PublicSchoolDistrictLookup.aspx">https://www.isbe.net/Pages/PublicSchoolDistrictLookup.aspx</a></li> <li>If you live in Chicago your school district is City of Chicago SD 299 (which will be the first option on the application dropdown menu)</li> </ul>
6 - Non-public School of Choice:
To locate a school see our website: <a href="https://www.bigshouldersfundsgo.org/how-to-apply">https://www.bigshouldersfundsgo.org/how-to-apply</a>
See our website <a href="https://www.bigshouldersfundsgo.org">https://www.bigshouldersfundsgo.org</a> for an Application Tool-Kit including a sample

application and additional FAQs.