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**AFL-CIO Partners with Union Privilege to Launch New Scholarship  
To Commemorate 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom**

*“Dreams of Jobs and Freedom” Scholarship to provide \$5,000 scholarship to at least 50 students*

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**(Washington, DC, April 4, 2013)** Today, the AFL-CIO announced in partnership with the Union Privilege program a new scholarship to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the March on Washington. The scholarship will provide \$5,000 each to at least 50 talented high school seniors from families— including union families and those in the community – to help pay for the costs of higher education.

On August 28, 1963, the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. gave his historic “I Have a Dream” speech, which accelerated the nation’s own march toward social and economic justice, including passage of the Civil Rights Act and the Voting Rights Act. People from all over gathered to march for the dream that all of America’s children would have equal access to education, regardless of race, gender, status, or income. The AFL-CIO will honor the legacy of the March on Washington by helping young people across the country turn their dream of attaining higher education into a reality.

An application, including an essay, is required. Students can apply online: [www.aflcio.org/scholarship](http://www.aflcio.org/scholarship). The application deadline is July 1, 2013.

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