



# Award Application

## The J. Gilbert Reese Next Generation Community Leadership Award

The J. Gilbert Reese Next Generation Community Leadership Award was established in 2019 with a two-fold purpose: 1) to recognize Mr. Reese's incredible legacy of visionary leadership and community support, and 2) to inspire the next generation of community leaders. The award is presented annually to one COTC student and one Ohio State Newark student in early December. Each recipient will receive a framed certificate and a \$2,000 scholarship that will be applied to their tuition for the following spring semester.

COTC and Ohio State Newark students who meet the following eligibility criteria are invited to apply for the award:

- Exemplify a spirit of volunteerism and community involvement since graduating from high school
- Are involved in campus activities, clubs or organizations
- Have demonstrated leadership skills on- or off-campus
- Have a cumulative GPA of at least a 2.5
- Have successfully completed 30 credit hours

To be considered for this award for 2025-26, interested students must:

- Complete this application.
- Type an essay (750 words or less) summarizing your community service experience, what you have learned through volunteerism and community involvement, and how you plan to continue serving your community after graduation.
- Return completed application and typed essay to the Advancement Office no later than **5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup>** either by mail or email:
  - Mail to Advancement Office, 1179 University Dr, Newark OH 43055
  - Email to Kim Manno, Director of Advancement ([manno.18@osu.edu](mailto:manno.18@osu.edu) / [manno.18@cotc.edu](mailto:manno.18@cotc.edu))

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer activity / community involvement: \_\_\_\_\_

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Leadership roles (on or off campus): \_\_\_\_\_

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**CERTIFICATION:** I certify that all statements made in this application are true, complete, and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith. If awarded, I give permission to The Ohio State University at Newark to use my name as the winner of a scholarship in promotional materials.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_