

The Mission of GJTF “Preparing Our Future For The Future”

WHAT IS TRIO UPWARD BOUND?

The Gloria J. Taylor Foundation (GJTF) Upward Bound (UB) program is a year around support program for high school students who have the desire, drive, ambition and motivation to complete high school and pursue a college education.

WHAT DOES IT COST?

The GJTF-UB program is FREE to all participants.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th grade students
- Students from families meeting the federal income guidelines
- Students who are potentially first-generation college students
- Students who are U.S. citizens, or permanent residents

GJTF-UB serves as a powerful force in ensuring at-risk students access to, and success in post-secondary education. The staff of GJTF believes that: If you cannot be a shining example, you may be a horrible warning.... We seek to respond to the inner most needs of our youth. Utilizing the voices of teens and the wisdom of our past, we challenge our history and embrace the spirit of a bright future. The goal for educational success is placed in the laps of our future.... our youth. We must provide them with an environment that breeds positive goals and develops a determined spirit that lives beyond a dream.

GOALS & OBJECTIVES

- ✓ Improve Academic Performance (GPA & Standardized Tests)
- ✓ Encourage high school retention and graduation
- ✓ Completion of Rigorous Academic School programs
- ✓ Post-Secondary Enrollment & Completion

SERVICES

- Academic Tutoring & Advisement
- Enrichment Activities & Programs
- Study & Test-Taking Skills
- Mentoring & Counseling
- College Visits & Career Exploration
- Cultural & Social Field Trips and Events
- Service Learning Projects & Events
- Test Prep Workshops (SAT/ACT)
- College Application Workshops
- Financial Aid Workshops
- Leadership & Character Development
- Exciting six-week Summer Enrichment Program



The primary objective of our Upward Bound program is to ensure student readiness for post-secondary education.



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HISTORY OF UPWARD BOUND

Upward Bound (UB) was the first of the federal TRIO programs to be funded through the U.S. Department of Education. TRIO is a series of programs that has been created to help low-income Americans enter college, graduate and move on to participate more fully in America’s economic and social life.

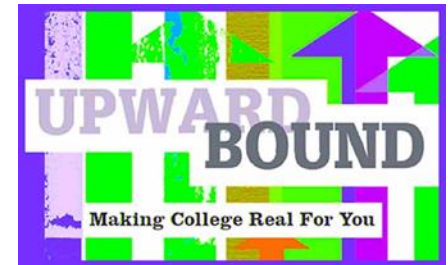
Upward Bound and programs similar to it are funded under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and are referred to as the TRIO Programs.

While student financial aid programs help students overcome financial barriers to higher education, TRIO programs and Upward Bound help students overcome class, social and cultural barriers to higher education.

There are currently more than 700 Upward Bound programs serving students throughout the United States. The primary goal of the Upward Bound program is to increase the rate at which participants complete their secondary education and enroll and graduate from colleges and universities.

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