What you must submit
☐ Completed fellowship application
☐ Personal statement and responses to two short answer questions
☐ Resume

What others must submit on your behalf
• An official copy of your most recent college or graduate school transcript (not required for applicants who have not been enrolled in a degree program since January 2013) sent directly from the school’s registrar’s office. No annotated transcripts, please.
• Three letters of recommendation from academic and/or professional references and/or references who can attest to the applicant’s community involvement, sent directly from the references themselves. Letters can be emailed if the letter is an attached PDF of a signed original letter sent from the reference’s professional email account.

When submitting
• Faxed, late, or incomplete applications will not be considered.
• All materials, with the exception of letters of recommendation and the official transcript, should be sent together.
• An official copy of your transcript should be mailed directly from the college/university. Letters of recommendation should be submitted by the references themselves.
• Please attach application materials with paper clips if applying by mail, not staples.
• Please do not submit any additional material, as it will not be reviewed.
• Application materials will not be returned to the applicant.

Submit your application via mail or email
Families USA, Wellstone Fellowship
1201 New York Avenue NW, Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20005
wellstonefellowship@familiesusa.org

For more information about the Wellstone Fellowship, contact us at 202-628-3030 or at wellstonefellowship@familiesusa.org.
The Wellstone Fellowship for Social Justice

Application Form

Deadline: February 12, 2016

Name ____________________________________________

Address _______________________________________________________________________

Phone Number ____________________________________________________________________

Email ___________________________________________________________________________

Gender Race/Ethnicity (optional) _____________________________________________________

How did you learn about the Wellstone Fellowship for Social Justice? _______________________

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☐ Check here if you are also applying for the Villers Fellowship for Health Care Justice.

Personal Statement

Please discuss the following topic on a separate piece of paper using a maximum of 500 words. There is no wrong answer, and no research is required to respond. If applying by mail, paper-clip your response to your application.

Explain how your personal background and experience have influenced your view of social justice. Include a discussion of the values, principles, and personal factors that led to your interest in applying for the Wellstone Fellowship.

Short Answers

Please respond to the following two questions on a separate piece of paper using a maximum of 250 words per response. There is no wrong answer and no research is required. If applying by mail, paper-clip your responses to your application.

1. How will serving as the Wellstone Fellow help you achieve your long-term goals?

2. Provide an example of one social justice cause or issue that you have worked on. Discuss some of the approaches that you used to draw attention to this cause or issue. The issue you choose does not need to be a health care issue; it can be any cause that advances social justice.

Note: Applicants applying for both the Wellstone and Villers Fellowships can use the same resume, transcript, and letters of recommendation to satisfy the requirements of both fellowships. However, applicants must send in each fellowship’s application form and respond to its unique essay questions in order to be considered for both positions.