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This essay is intended to discuss my experience as a person with HIV and to show that, regardless of the difficulties I encounter, I'm committed to achieving my goals in both academia and work. As an HIV-positive individual and an enthusiastic secretary for Eta Sigma Gamma, I am determined to create a constructive influence in the domain of health education and public health. Furthermore, I'm asking for assistance to help me reach my goals and get over the monetary challenges associated with having HIV.

I've faced obstacles in every aspect of my life since receiving an HIV diagnosis. But I've resisted allowing the diagnosis to dictate who I am or what I can do. I am committed to pursuing an interesting Ph.D. program in Public Health and working as an infectious disease researcher with a focus on HIV/AIDS. Through my work, I wish to make a difference in HIV activism, research, and outreach. Concerning my career goals, I hope to pursue a position for a prestigious HIV/AIDS research center, join a non-profit organization committed to preventing HIV, or become a healthcare professional with expertise in HIV treatment. I am committed to enhancing the quality of life of those impacted by HIV/AIDS and making a positive contribution to the continuing fight against it.

I'm even more passionate about health advocacy and education now that I serve as the secretary of Eta Sigma Gamma. Serving as secretary has helped me develop my leadership, planning, and communication skills. Because I want to work in public health advocacy projects, health promotion, or education, these qualities can be useful in achieving my career goals. Connecting with compatible people and experts in the health education area has been made

possible by my membership in Eta Sigma Gamma. As I strive towards my academic and professional objectives, this network has provided me with determination, guidance, and support.

Living with HIV has resulted in financial hardships in addition to personal issues. The prices of HIV treatment, doctor visits, prescriptions, and other related costs might be burdensome. The cost of living has also increased because of my pursuit of academic and professional objectives. My goals may be hampered by research, textbooks, and tuition. To lessen the stress of my college costs, I am applying for this scholarship. I'm passionate about HIV/AIDS and will stop at nothing to aim for a career in the field, but I also understand that obtaining my academic and career goals will take financial resources. Having your assistance would let me concentrate on my education, research, and internships—all of which are essential to reaching my goals in the infectious disease field—while also relieving the burden of money.