

BARNSTABLE COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD PROGRAM

PROGRAM - The Scholarship Award Program will be under the direction of the Barnstable County Public Works Association Scholarship Award Committee, who will be responsible for screening the applicants to determine their eligibility for funding and to recommend allocation of funds in accordance with their findings. The Committee will be comprised of representatives from the following areas: vendor, municipal employee, and Board of Directors. Initially, two terms will be for a two (2) year period, and one term will be for a three (3) year period. Thereafter, all terms will be for three (3) years. Nominations to the Scholarship Award Committee will be made by the annual nominating committee and voted on by the Board of Directors. The Barnstable County Public Works Association Scholarship Award Committee shall establish the total amount of money to be awarded for scholarships for each one year period beginning June 1st and ending May 31st of the following year, and shall recommend the maximum amount, not to exceed 25% of the Treasury balance as of March 1st, that can be awarded to any one individual within the one year period. Final scholarship award amounts will be voted on by the Board of Directors, and will be made known at the March meeting.

ELIGIBILITY - Members and children and grandchildren of active and life members of the Barnstable County Public Works Association, formerly Barnstable County Highway Association, are eligible. Members and life members who shall have belonged to the B.C.P.W.A. for at least three (3) years prior to the closing date for scholarship applications, and who are in good standing with the Association shall be eligible to file applications for scholarships provided that the applicant:

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- A. Is matriculating at either a four-year or a two-year accredited degree granting college or graduate school.
- B. Has been accepted for admission to such a college. The member shall be his own sponsor or shall be the sponsor for his child or grandchild in order to establish eligibility for filing the application.

Should there be insufficient eligible applicants to utilize the funds allocated for a given year, then other applicants not meeting the basic eligibility may be selected by the Committee.

- C. PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY - Awardees shall provide evidence to the Committee of his or her enrollment in an accredited degree granting college together with his/her field of study before scholarship payments are made to the student. The said evidence shall consist of a written statement from a duly authorized representative of the college.

- D. FIELD OF STUDY - It is the intent of the Barnstable County Public Works Association Scholarship Award Committee to promote the knowledge and science of the Public Works field. To be considered for a B.C.P.W.A. Scholarship Award, a student must pursue one of the following areas of study:

1. Highway transportation engineering, including bridge engineering or a closely related highway oriented field.
2. Civil Engineering
3. Arboriculture
4. Park Administration

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5. Water and Sewer Administration
6. Public Works Administration
7. Environmental Engineering
8. Any other field acceptable to the Committee

E. EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS - Each application submitted shall be evaluated on the following two parameters:

- a. A statement prepared by the applicant stating why he/she desires to attend college.
- b. A recommendation from a faculty member who has personal knowledge of the applicant.

F. FILING PROCEDURES - Applications may be obtained by any member of B.C.P.W.A. from the Clerk of same. Applications shall be completed and filed by applicants with the Clerk of the Barnstable County Public Works Association by March 15th for awards in that year. Applicants must be supported by:

1. A brief statement by the applicant stating why he/she is presently attending or intends to attend college. The statement should be in the order of 200-300 words.
2. A statement from the educational institution the applicant last attended indicating class standing.
3. A recommendation on the back of the application form from a teacher who has personal knowledge of the applicant.
4. A brief statement of need.

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G. PERSONAL INTERVIEWS - The Scholarship Award Committee may elect to interview any applicant personally. Arrangements shall be made for an interview location within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

H. AWARD OF SCHOLARSHIP - The award of scholarships to successful applicants will be made at the regular meeting of the Barnstable County Public Works Association in May. The scholarships will be paid directly to the students upon proof of eligibility as defined above.